

Konferenz:
Entering Modernity:
Jewish Economic Activities and the Emergence of Capitalism in Eastern Europe



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Program of the Conference:

Wednesday July 3, 2024:	Thursday July 4, 2024:	Friday July 5, 2024:	
<p>3.00 – 3.30 p.m.: Welcome Dr. Svetlana Natkovich (Haifa) and Dr. Katja Wezel (Göttingen)</p> <p>3.45 – 5.45 p.m.: Panel 1 Jews and the Economy in the Eastern Europe on the Verge of Modernity</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dr. Anat Vaturi (Haifa) <i>From Banking to Vodka: Dynamics of Jewish Occupational Structure in The Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Prof. Dr. Ruth Leiserowith (Warsaw) <i>Jewish areas of commerce in transition</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Prof. Dr. Israel Bartal (Jerusalem) <i>Jeremy Bentham's Kriech Complaint: A British Report on Jewish Economic Activities in Partitioned Poland</i></p> <p>6:15 – 7:45 p.m.: Keynote Prof. Dr. Ekaterina Pravilova (Princeton) <i>Money and the Political Economy of Governance in Imperial Russia</i></p>	<p>9:00 – 10:30 a.m.: Panel 2 New Ideas at the Edge of the Empire in the Shadow Economy</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Prof. Dr. Jurgita Verbickienė (Vilnius) <i>How to Avoid Making Mistakes When Investigating the Jewish Shadow Economy? Methodological Notes Based on the Case of the Grand Duchy of Lithuania</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dr. Katja Wezel (Göttingen) <i>Žager – Lithuanian Shtetl and Town of Smugglers and Sages</i></p> <p>11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.: Panel 3 The Social Mobility of Jews in and beyond Imperial Russia's Borderlands</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Prof. Dr. Shai Ginsburg (Durham, N.C.) <i>Language and Economy: Class and Hebrew Education</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dr. Vladyslava Moskalets (Lviv) <i>"Everything Smells of Oil": Birth of the Industrial Shtetl in Galicia</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dr. Anka Steffen (Vienna) <i>Silesian Linen Millionaires. The Rise of Jewish Industrialists in the Global Textile Trade, 1860-1930</i></p>	<p>2:00 – 4:00 p.m.: Panel 4 Between New and Old Worlds: Commercial Techniques and Moral Epistemology</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dr. Isaac Slater (South Bend, In.) <i>Building Moral Credit: From Benjamin Franklin to the Jewish-Lithuanian Mussar Movement</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Prof. Pablo Dreizik (Buenos Aires) <i>Incipient Capitalism, Speciesism and the Attempt at a Jewish-Russian Bildung in Mendele's "The Mare"</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dr. Eli Cook (Haifa) <i>Money Talks: The Contested Rise of "Willingness to Pay" in Neoclassical Economics</i></p> <p>4:30 – 6:30 p.m.: Panel 5 Literature and the Language of Economy</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dr. Thomas Skowronek (Bochum) <i>The Domostroy, Monastic Accounting and Poetics of the Body in Muscovy</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dr. Svetlana Natkovich (Haifa) <i>System vs. System: Double-Entry Bookkeeping and the Development of Realist Idiom in the Hebrew Novel</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dr. Roy Greenwald (Beer Sheva) <i>The Riches of a Jewish Bankruptcy: Menachem-Mendel of Sholem Aleichem</i></p>	<p>9:00 – 10:30 a.m.: Panel 6 Modern Business Practices in Banking and Trade</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dr. Markus Nesselrodt (Frankfurt/O.) <i>A Prussian Banker in Warsaw: The Rise of Samuel Fränkel in early 19th Century Poland</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">James Nadel (New York) <i>The Story of M. Szpiro and Company: Fish Oil, Leather and Commerce in Late Imperial Warsaw, 1902-04</i></p> <p>10:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.: Panel 7 Clerks and Accountants on the Threshold of Capitalism</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dr. Mátyás Erdélyi (Vienna) <i>Bank Clerks, Economic Rationality, and Capitalism in the Late Habsburg Monarchy</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dr. Ilya Vovshin (Haifa) <i>A Fantasy for Capitalism? Bookkeeping, Jews and the Foundation of the First Accounting Journals in the Late Imperial Russia</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dr. Adam Hefetz (Haifa) <i>Zionist Accounting by Imperial Decree: The Making of a White-Collar Profession</i></p> <p>12:45 – 1:15 p.m.: Concluding Remarks Prof. Dr. Israel Bartal (Jerusalem)</p>

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