Mittwoch, 14. Juli

9.30 bis 13.30 Uhr: German and Jewish Boundary-Crises

Gabriel Motzkin - Moderator (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

Yotam Hotam (Hebrew University of Jerusalem): "Klages-Lessing-Klatzkin: Life Philosophy, Modern Gnosticism and Zionism"

Ofer Ashkenazi (Hebrew University of Jerusalem): "Weimar Film between Sanity and Insanity, Rationality and Irrationality"

Suzanne Marchand (Louisiana State University): "German Orientalism"

Sharon Gillerman (Princeton University) "The Jewish Strong Man"

Yfaat Weiss (Haifa University): "Refugees and Property Rights: The German Jewish Case"

13.30 Uhr: Concluding Remarks

Steven Aschheim (Hebrew University of Jerusalem),
Anson Rabinbach (Princeton University)

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The aim of this conference is to document and analyze the ways in which cultural and intellectual approaches have reshaped the study of German and Jewish history over the last few decades. The following main themes will be discussed: “The Sexual Polis”; “The Other Germanies”; “The Politics of Social and Cultural History, 1945-2000” (Panel); “Boundary-Crisis”; “German Jews Beyond the Emigre Synthesis: Towards a New Paradigm?” (Panel) This conference will bring together, in lively dialogue, scholars from Germany, Israel and the United States. It hopes to critically assess past achievements and pitfalls of these fields as well as examine and suggest new and promising directions of thought and analysis.

Among the questions that will be emphasized are: was social history a means of avoiding rather than confronting the German and Nazi past? Did the cultural history of the 1960’s and 1970’s do a better job in this respect? In what ways has the more recent cultural turn affected these questions? Has the old paradigm of assimilation and emancipation exhausted itself? What are the contemporary alternatives and how, if at all, have they changed our understandings of the German-Jewish relationship?

### PROGRAM

#### Montag, 12. Juli

9.30 Uhr: Opening Remarks

*Steven Aschheim* (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), Anson Rabinbach (Princeton University)

10.00 bis 13.00 Uhr: The Sexual Polis

*Atina Grossmann* - Moderator (Cooper Union, New York),

*Eva Bremner* (Princeton University):
“The Monarchy as ‘Family’: Between the Military and Intimacy in Wilhelminian Germany”

*Todd Samuel Presner* (University of California, Berkeley):
“The Zionist Body”

*Dagmar Herzog* (Michigan State University):
“Sex and The Third Reich”

*Till van Rahden* (University of Cologne): “Democratising Fatherhood: Changing Conceptions of Family in Post-War West Germany”

14.30 bis 17.00 Uhr: Roundtable: The Politics of Social and Cultural History, 1945 - 2000

*Reinhard Ruerup* - Moderator (Technical University of Berlin),

*Nicholas Berg* (Leipzig), *Dan Diner* (Leipzig/Jerusalem),

*Konrad Jarausch* (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill),

*Shulamit Volkov* (Tel Aviv)

EVENING MUSICAL EVENT

18:30 Uhr: *The Israel Piano Trio*

Werke von Schubert, Beethoven, Dvorák

Alexander Volkov

Manahem Breuer

Marcel Bergman

Dienstag, 13. Juli

9.30 bis 13.00 Uhr: The Other Germanies

*Klaus Berghahn* Moderator [Univ. of Wisconsin, Madison],

*H. Glenn Penny* [University of Iowa]: “Male Fantasies: The Love Affair with American Indians in East and West Germany”

*Adi Gordon* (Hebrew University of Jerusalem): “Exiles in the ‘Orient’: The German-language Weekly Orient (Haifa 1942-43) between German Exile and Zionist Aliya

*Daniel Morat* (University of Göttingen): “Swimming Against the Western Tide: Martin Heidegger, Ernst and Friedrich Georg Jünger and the Other Germany in the Early Federal Republic”


14.30-17.00 Uhr: Roundtable: German Jews Beyond the Emigre Synthesis: Towards a New Paradigm?

*Sander Gilman* - Moderator [University of Illinois, Chicago], *Leora Batnitzky* (Princeton University), *Peter Gordon* (Harvard University),

*Samuel Moyn* (Columbia University), *Rachel Salamander* (Munich),

*Michael Steinberg* (Cornell University), *Moshe Zimmerman* (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)