

International Conference  
**MOSES HESS**  
**BETWEEN SOCIALISM AND ZIONISM**  
200th Anniversary of his Birth (1812)  
150th Anniversary of his Book "Rome and Jerusalem" (1862)  
Jerusalem, Sunday-Tuesday, March 18-20, 2012

Opening Event: Sunday, March 18, 2012, at 18:30

Venue: The Jerusalem Institute for Israel Studies, 20 Radak Street

Greetings:

Anja Siegemund, Leo Baeck Institute Jerusalem

Peter Prügel, Minister and Chargé d'Affaires a.i.  
of the Federal Republic of Germany

Christian Wiese, Martin Buber Chair for Jewish  
Thought and Philosophy, Goethe University Frankfurt am Main

Angelika Timm, Rosa Luxemburg Foundation, Israel Office

Keynote Lecture: **Shlomo Avineri** (Jerusalem)

**Moses Hess – Revolutionary, Communist, Zionist: A Re-Assessment**

Chair: **Shulamit Volkov** (Tel Aviv)

Reading of Hess' texts by **Illi Gorlitzky** (in Hebrew)

**Monday, March 19, 2012**

Venue: Leo Baeck Institute Jerusalem, 33 Bustenai St.

**9:30-11:00 The Spinozist Hess**

**Willi Goetschel** (Toronto / Göttingen)

*Hess and the Philosophical Moment of  
Radical Spinozism*

**Tracie Matysik** (Texas)

*Politics of Spinozist Friendship: Moses Hess  
and Berthold Auerbach*

Chair: **Shlomo Avineri** (Jerusalem)

**11:20-12:30 Hess and Marx**

**David McLellan** (Kent)

*Moses Hess, Karl Marx, and 'True Socialism':  
Similarities and Differences*

**Michael Kur Sørensen** (Odense)

*The Concept of 'Verkehr': A Source of Conflict  
between Karl Marx and Moses Hess*

Chair: **Mario Kessler** (Potsdam / New York)

**13:50-15:00 Hess in Paris**

**Silvia Richter** (Heidelberg)

*Moses Hess and Paris: The Influence of France  
and French Thinkers on his Work, with a View  
on Heine and Marx*

**Mark H. Gelber** (Beer Sheva)

*German-Speaking Jews in Paris and the Turn to Jewish  
Nationalism in the 19th Century: Heine, Hess, Herzl*

Chair: **Natalie Goldberg** (Ramat Gan)

**15:20-16:30 Money – Hess's Criticism of Judaism**

**Adam Sutcliffe** (London)

*Moses Hess, Jewish Autocritique, and the Politics of Money*

**Sharon Gordon** (Jerusalem)

*Gold is the Language of God: Symbol and Metaphor  
in Hess's "Über das Geldwesen"*

Chair: **Gideon Reuveni** (Brighton)

**16:50-18:00 The Universal Mission of the Jews**

**Ofri Ilani** (Tel Aviv)

*Hess's "Die heilige Geschichte der Menschheit"  
and the Place of Jews in Universal History*

**Ron Margolin** (Tel Aviv)

*The Historic Mission of Jewish Humanism and  
its Maskilic Origins*

Chair: **Willi Goetschel** (Toronto / Göttingen)

**Tuesday, March 20, 2012**

Venue: Leo Baeck Institute Jerusalem, 33 Bustenai St.

**9:30-10:50 Rome and Jerusalem (1)**

**Iveta Leitane** (Riga)

*'Socialism' in 'Nationalism' and Vice Versa: The Narratives  
of Jewish Tradition and Religion in Moses Hess*

**Lorenzo Santoro** (Rende)

*"Rom und Jerusalem": Giuseppe Mazzini and Moses  
Hess: Revolution, Nationalism, and the New Politics  
within the Boundaries of Religious Discourse*

Chair: **Gideon Freudenthal** (Tel Aviv)

**11:10-12:20 Rome and Jerusalem (2)**

**Kenneth Koltun-Fromm** (Haverford)

*Visual Authenticity in Moses Hess's "Rom und Jerusalem"*

**Michael K. Silber** (Jerusalem)

*Languages of Nationalism: The Collective Representation  
of Jews in Moses Hess's "Rom und Jerusalem"*

Chair: **Anja Siegemund** (Jerusalem)

**13:30-15:10 Jewish Messianism**

**George Y. Kohler** (Beer Sheva)

*The Dispute between Moses Hess and Leopold Löw:  
A Renewed Messianic Thought in 19th Century  
Germany*

**Christian Wiese** (Frankfurt am Main)

*Moses Hess and Samuel Hirsch on Judaism and Christianity*

**Mirjam Thulin** (Frankfurt am Main)

*Moses Hess and Heinrich Graetz: Science, History,  
and Concepts of the Jewish Nation*

Chair: **Paul Mendes-Flohr** (Jerusalem / Chicago)

**15:30-16:40 The Dialectics of Socialism  
and Nationalism**

**Moshe Zuckermann** (Tel Aviv)

*Georg Lukács on Moses Hess: A Materialist Critique of Idealism*

**Mario Kessler** (Potsdam / New York)

*Moses Hess and the Marxist Discourse since 1945*

Chair: **Angelika Timm** (Tel Aviv)

**17:00-18:30 Round Table**

**Twin Revolutions: Socialism and Zionism**

**Shlomo Avineri** (Jerusalem)

**David McLellan** (Kent)

**Anita Shapira** (Tel Aviv)

**Moshe Zuckermann** (Tel Aviv)

Chair: **Christian Wiese** (Frankfurt am Main)



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