

„Islamici nil a me alienum puto” – „I consider nothing Islamic foreign to me”

A modification of the famous phrase „Homo sum: humani nil a me alienum puto” – „I am a human being: I consider nothing human foreign to me”, from Terence, *Heauton Timorumenos*.

TUESDAY, 8 JULY 2014

■ 9:30 Welcome / Introduction

Matthias Lutz-Bachmann (Vice-President, Goethe University Frankfurt/M.)

Christian Wiese (Goethe University Frankfurt/M.)

Ottfried Fraise (Goethe University Frankfurt/M.)

I. Medieval Perspectives in Modern Jewish Research on Islam

■ 9:45–12:30

Chair: Christian Wiese (Goethe University Frankfurt/M.)

Yossef Schwartz (Tel Aviv University)

Arabic Spirit between Philology and Nostalgia: From the Tibbonides to Steinschneider (and Beyond)

Irene Zwiep (Universiteit van Amsterdam)

Conceptualizing Religion(s) in Late Nineteenth-Century Jewish Cultural Hermeneutics: Steinschneider on Judaism and Islam

Gideon Libson (The Hebrew University Jerusalem)

Shlomo Dov Goitein: Scientific Work between Jewish and Muslim Traditions

■ 12:30 Lunch

II. Islam in Modern Jewish Research on Medieval Philosophy (I)

■ 14:15–15:45

Chair: Amir Engel (Goethe University Frankfurt/M.)

Ottfried Fraise (Goethe University Frankfurt/M.)

Martin Schreiner's Unpublished 'Systematic Philosophy of Religion': Adapting Ignác Goldziher's Method of Researching Judaism and Islam

Miriam Frenkel (The Hebrew University Jerusalem)

"In my Spirit I am closer to the Traditionalists than to those called 'Path Breakers': Samuel Poznański, Conservative or Pioneer?"

■ 15:45 Coffee

III. Islam in Modern Jewish Research on Medieval Philosophy (2)

■ 16:15–17.45

Chair: Irene Zwiep (Universiteit van Amsterdam)

Steven Harvey (Bar Ilan University)

The Story of a Twentieth-Century Jewish Scholar's Discovery of Plato's Political Philosophy in Tenth-century Islam – Leo Strauss's Early Interest in the Islamic Falāsifa

Paul Fenton (Université de Paris IV – Sorbonne)

French Orientalists from Salomon Munk to George Vajda: Models of Jewish Research into Islam

Keynote Lecture

■ 18:15

Chair: Christian Wiese (Goethe University Frankfurt/M.)

Norman Stillman (University of Oklahoma):

Islamici nil a me alienum puto: The Mindset of Jewish Scholars of Islamic Studies

■ 19:30 Reception

WEDNESDAY, 9 JULY 2014

IV. German Jewish Orientalists between Orientalism and Islamization

■ 9:30–12:15

Chair: Ottfried Fraise (Goethe University Frankfurt/M.)

Yuval Evri (Tel Aviv University / Eume, Berlin)

Between Berlin and Jerusalem: A.S. Yahuda's Struggle over the Representation of the Sephardic Legacy in the Jewish Scientific and Political Discourse

Noah Gerber (The Hebrew University Jerusalem)

From German-Jewish Orientalism to the Study of Jewish History in Islamic Orbits: The Case of Walter J. Fischel

Reinhard Schulze (University of Bern)

Merging Identities: Orientalism and Islamization in the Work of Leopold Weiss, Hugo Marcus and Lev Nussimbaum

■ 12:15 Lunch

V. Jewish Research on Islam: Consequences and Perspectives

■ 13:30–15:00

Chair: Yossef Schwartz (Tel Aviv University)

Muhammad Abu Samra (Tel Aviv University)

The Actuality of Ignác Goldziher's Research into Islam: Its Reception in Contemporary Arab Islamic Thought

Hanan Harif (The Hebrew University Jerusalem)

Orientalism as a Bridge? Josef Horowitz, Avraham Shalom Yahuda, and S. D. Goitein on the 'Arab Question'

Final Discussion

■ 15:00–15:30