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## Colloquium

# The Humanities between Germany and Israel: Historical Perspectives

Sunday-Monday, 1-2 November 2015, at The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute

## Sunday, 1 November 2015

16:00-18:00

### Opening Greetings

**Gabriel Motzkin**, Director, The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute

**Yfaat Weiss**, Director, Rosenzweig Minerva Center, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

### Preconditions and Boundaries

**Chair: Dan Diner**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

**Hanoch Gutfreund**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

**The Hebrew University Friends Organizations before and after WWII**

**Rivka Feldhay**, Tel Aviv University, Minerva Humanities Center

**Knowledge Migration between Germany and Israel: Some Methodological Remarks**

**Mitchell G. Ash**, University of Vienna  
**Dealing with Burdened Pasts: Remarks of an American from Austria**

18:30-19:45

### First Encounters: Motivations, Dilemmas and Atmosphere

**Chair: Shmuel Feiner**, Bar-Ilan University; LBI Jerusalem

**Nicolas Berg**, Simon-Dubnow-Institute, Leipzig; Fritz Bauer Institute Frankfurt a/M

**The Jerusalem Question: The Memories of a German Visitor to Israel in 1959**

**Sharon Livne**, The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute; University of Haifa; Rosenzweig Minerva Center  
**The Hebrew University's Attitude toward Germany in the 1950s-1960s**

# Monday, 2 November 2015

9:30 **Gathering**

10:00-11:15

**Greetings**

**Gabriele Hermani**, Science Counsellor, Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany

**Preliminary Model: Contacts in the Sciences**

**Chair: Dorothee Wierling**, Forschungsstelle für Zeitgeschichte, Hamburg

**Ute Deichmann**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
**The Early Israeli-German Collaboration in the Sciences: Political and Scientific Interests and Potential Implications for the Humanities**

**Jenny Hestermann**, Fritz Bauer Institute, Frankfurt a/M  
**Funding Policies of German Foundations**

11:15-11:45 **Coffee Break**

11:45-13:30

**Approaching German History and Literature together**

**Chair: Steven Aschheim**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

**Andreas Kilcher**, ETH Zürich  
**Verhandlungen eines Bindestrichs. Wissenschaftlicher und öffentlicher Diskurs zur deutsch-jüdischen Literatur seit 1970**

**Irene Aue-Ben-David**, The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute; LBI Jerusalem; Rosenzweig Minerva Center

**The Beginning of a Fachgespräch: The First German-Israeli Cooperative Conferences**

**Yonatan Shiloh-Dayan**, The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute; Rosenzweig Minerva Center

**Displaced Historian, Misplaced Histories – The Walter Grab Archive**

13:30-15:00 **Lunch Break**

15:00-16:15

**Institutionalizing Cooperation**

**Chair: Raphael Gross**, Simon-Dubnow-Institute, Leipzig

**Jürgen Kocka**, Berlin Social Science Center

**Contacts and Institutions: Some Personal Recollections of the 1980s**

**Wilhelm Vosskamp**, University of Cologne  
**Zwischen Philologie und Kulturwissenschaften. Zum deutsch-israelischen Dialog nach der Gründung des Rosenzweig-Zentrums**

16:15 **Concluding Remarks**

16:45 **Reception**

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