

Religion and Violence in Transcultural Contexts: Historicizing Traumatic Experience from the Middle Ages to Modern Times

A Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg-Hebrew University of Jerusalem Workshop

14-15 September 2010

(Rabin Building [Room 2001], Mt. Scopus, Jerusalem)

Tuesday, 14 September 2010

9:00 Greetings and Opening Remarks

Chair: Prof. Reuven Amitai, Dean, the Faculty of Humanities, Hebrew University

Prof. Isaiah (Shy) Arkin, Vice President for Research and Development, Hebrew University

Prof. Eva Illouz, Chair of the Academic Committee, European Forum at the Hebrew University

09:30 – 11:00 Modern-Days Perspectives

Chair: Dr. Diego Olstein, Dept. of History, Hebrew University

Noa Schori (Psychology, Tel-Aviv University): “Two Roads Diverge: A Social Psychological Perspective on Collective Trauma”

Prof. Susanne Enderwitz (Islamic Studies, Heidelberg): “Religion and Violence in an ‘Islamic’ Comic Strip”

Sariel Birnbaum (Truman Institute, Hebrew University): “Mamluks, Mongols and Arabs: When Medieval Cultural Collision Arrived to the Silver Screen”

11:00–11:30 Coffee Break

11:30–13:00 Medieval and Early Modern Europe-I

Chair: Prof. Esther Cohen, Dept. of History, Hebrew University

Katharina Schmidt (Medieval History, Heidelberg): “The Creation of a Martyr – Henry II of Silesia and the Battle of Wahlstatt/Legnica 1241”

Irena Fain (History, Hebrew University): “The Fourth Crusade Seen through the Prism of Commercial History”

13:00–14:30 Lunch

14:30–16:15 Medieval and Early Modern Europe-II

Chair: Prof. Michael Toch, Dept. of History, Hebrew University

Anna Gutgarts-Weinberger (History, Hebrew University): “Accounts of the Battle of Kulikovo – History, Historiography and National Myth”

Dr. Shlomo Lotan (Center for German Studies, European Forum at the Hebrew University): “The Battle of Tannenberg – Grunwald (1410) and its Contribution to the Historical Memory in Eastern Europe”

Dr. Oded Heilbronner (Faculty of Agriculture, Hebrew University): “Religion, Violence and the Historiography on the Thirty Years War”

16:15–16:30 Coffee Break

16:30–18:00 East and South Asia-I

Chair: Dr. Lihi Yariv-Laor, Dept. of East Asian Studies, Hebrew University

Prof. Melanie Trede (East Asian Art History, Heidelberg): “Categories of Ritualizing Violence in Japanese Illuminated Handscrolls”

Julika Singer (East Asian Art History, Heidelberg): “Sublimation of Violence – Visualization of the Divine Winds protecting Japan from the Mongol Invasions”

Wednesday, 15 September 2010

9:00–11:45 East and South Asia-II

Chair: Prof. Steven Kaplan, Director, The Harry S. Truman Research Center for the Advancement of Peace, the Hebrew University

Dr. Giora Eliraz (Truman Institute, Hebrew University): “Darul Islam’s Rebellions in Indonesia: A Chapter Burned in the Collective Memory and Engraved in Reality”

Prof. Monica Juneja (Global Art History, Heidelberg): “Memorializing Religious Violence? Monuments and Encounters between Hindus and Muslims on the Indian Subcontinent”

Dr. Ran Shauli (Truman Institute, Hebrew University & Asian Studies, Bar Ilan University): “Shadows of the Massacres of Yangzhou and Jiading and the Chinese Diaspora”

11:45–12:00 Coffee Break

12:00–13:30 The Middle East-I

Chair: Dr. Eyal Ginio, Dept. of Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies, the Hebrew University

Dr. Miriam Frenkel (Jewish History, Hebrew University): “Literary Reactions to Violence in Medieval Jewish Society in the World of Islam”

Dr. Annette Hoffmann (Medieval Art History, DHI Florence): “Retelling Exodus 17, 8-13: The Battle with the Amalekites in Christian and Jewish Texts and Images”

13:30–14:45 Lunch

14:45–17:00 The Middle East-II

Chair: Prof. Michal Biran, Dept. of Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies & Dept. of East Asian Studies, the Hebrew University

Frank Krämer (Islamic Studies, Heidelberg): “The Allies within the Enemies – Encounters of Mongols and Shiites during the Mongol Conquest of the Middle East”

Sivan Lerer (Religious Studies, Hebrew University): “The Violent Clashes between the Bābīs and the Iranian Authorities (1848-1850): How are they Settled within the Bahā’i Pacifist Concept?”

Prof. Haggai Erlich (Middle Eastern and African History, Tel Aviv University & The Open University of Israel): “Christian – Islamic Confrontations in the Horn of Africa, 1885 – 1920: Historical Memories of Ethiopians, Somalis, Sudanese”

17:00–17:30 Closing Remarks

Prof. Reuven Amitai

17:30–18:30 Tour of Campus

