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June 24-28, 2012

PROGRAM

Sunday, June 24, 2012, 18.00

At the Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities

18.00 Reception

18.30 Opening session in memory of Meir J. Kister

Chair: **Yohanan Friedmann**

Greetings: **Eliezer Rabinovici**, Director, Israel Institute for Advanced Studies

Angelika Neuwirth, "Reflections on the epistemic revolution of the Qur'ān"

Uri Rubin, "In defense of the Qur'ānic *textus receptus*: the case of *ṭuwan* (Qur'ān 20:12; 79:16)"

Monday, June 25, 2012

9.30 - 11.00

At the Institute of Advanced Studies, Room 128

Chair: **Uri Rubin**

Joseph Witztum, "Variant traditions, relative chronology and the study of intra-Qur'ānic parallels"

Walid Saleh, "A piecemeal Qur'ān: the term *Furqān* and Qur'ānic studies"

11.30 - 13.00

Chair: **Christian Robin**

Hannah Cotton - Paltiel, Papyrus Nessana 77

Robert Hoyland, "Papyrus Nessana 77 rediscovered and the significance of *dhimmat Allah* in the first century AH"

Miklos Muranyi, "Geniza or Ḥubus: some observations about the library of the Great Mosque in Qayrawān"

15.00 -16.30

Chair: **Shaul Shaked**

Christian Robin, "The Himyarite king Tha'rān Yuhan'I'm (c. 324-c. 375) and the conquest of the Arabian desert"

Parvaneh Pourshariati, "Co-existence and strife in context: a chronicle of Iranian Jewry from Piruz to the Arab conquest"

Tuesday, June 26, 2012

9.30 - 11.00

Chair: **Angelika Neuwirth**

Koby Yosef, "Two early treatises on abrogation in the Qur'ān, attributed to Qatādah (d. 118/736) and to al-Zuhrī (d. 124/742)"

Camilla Adang, "The women in the Prophet's household according to al-Ya'qūbī"

11.30 - 13.00

Chair: Etan Kohlberg

Khalil Athamina, "Was Abū Mikhnaf pro-Shī'ī?"

Antoine Borrut, "Karbalā' and the construction of early Islamic sites of memory"

15.00 -16.30

Chair: **Aryeh Levin**

Benjamin Jokisch, "From *jahl* to *ilm*: transfer, transmission and transformation of knowledge in early Islam"

Giuliano Lancioni, "Islamicizing the Jāhili lexicon: al-Suyūṭī's discussion on 'Islamic words' in the *Muzhir*"

Wednesday, June 27, 2012

9.30 - 11.00

Chair: **Ella Landau - Tasseron**

Amikam Elad, "The conquest of Caesarea by the Arabs"

Petra Sijpesteijn, "Shaving hair and beards in early Islamic Egypt: an innovation or universal punishment?"

11.30 - 13.00

Chair: **Rachel Milstein**

Milka Levy-Rubin, "After 750 CE: changes and transformations in Palestine following the fall of the Umayyad dynasty"

Bilha Moor, "Mosque and church: Shivta in the early Islamic period"

15.00 - 16.30

Chair: **Sara Svir**

Michael Ebstein, "Dhū al-Nūn al-Miṣrī and the occult"

Julia Rubanovich, "Aristotle's invective against the Kings of Iran in a folk Alexander-romance in prose (6th/12th century)"

Thursday, June 28, 2012

9.30 - 11.00

Chair: **Amikam Elad**

Michael Lecker, "Where did the Jewish Rādhānite merchants come from?"

Thomas Munt, 'Medina's economy in the 2nd/8th century: growth or decline?'

11.30 - 13.00

Chair: **Julia Rubanovich**

Ali Hussein, "Towards a literary and historical study of the old *qaṣīda* in al-Yamāma: the case of the Bahīla tribe"

Avraham Hakim, "The Biblical annunciation made to ‘Umar b. al-Khaṭṭāb"