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PROGRAM

June 30, 1998

Opening Remarks

Yuri N. Afanasyev, Rector of the Russian State University for the Humanities
Ismar Schorsch, Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America

Plenary Session — I : 10am - 1pm
(Chair *Natalia Basovskaya*)

1. *Jonathan Frankel* (Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel) — The Russian Roots of Jewish Politics
2. *Mordechai Altshuler* (Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel) — Russian, Russian-Language and Russian-Jewish Literature (Hecht and Erenburg) — Towards a Formulation of the Question
3. *David Fishman* (JTS, New-York, USA) — Going to the People: The Influence of Russian Populism on the Yiddish Cultural Movement
4. *Sam Kassow* (Trinity College, USA) — Maxim Vinaver and the Problem of Russian Jewish identity
5. *Valery Chervyakov and Vladimir Shapiro* (Institute of Sociology, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia) — Russian Jews: Theoretical Definitions and Empirical Referents (Based on Sociological Surveys, 1992—1997)

History — I (June 30, 1998)
 (Chair Rashid Kaplanov) 2:30-6:30 pm

1. *Shimon Yakerson* (Library of Russian Academy of Sciences, St. Petersburg, Russia) — Rare Jewish Books and their Path to Russia's Libraries
2. *Rashid Kaplanov* (Institute of History, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia) — The West European Sephardim and Russia in the 18th century
3. *Alexander Lokshin* (Institute of Oriental Studies, St. Petersburg, Russia) — Acquaintance in Absentia: the Russian press in the 18th century about Jews
4. *Abraham Reithlat* (Russian State Library, Moscow, Russia) — Yehuda Leib ben-Noah Nevakhovich: texts and contexts
5. *Oksana Kiyanskaya* (RSUH, Moscow, Russia) — The Jewish question in the program and tactics of the of Decembrists' "Youzhnoye Obschestvo" ("Southern Society")
6. *Oleg Budnitsky* (Rostov State University, Rostov-on-Don, Russia) — Russian Liberalism and the Jewish Question (based on the materials of V. Maklakov)
7. *Gennady Kostyrchenko* (Institute of the National History, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia) — The Crimea Project: new documents and their interpretation

Culture — I (June 30, 1998)
 (Chair Dmitry Segal) 2:30-6:30 pm

1. *Elena Tolstaya* (Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel) — Akim Volynsky's Theology of Jewry. Based on the unpublished materials in 'Rembrandt'
2. *Marietta Chudakova* (The Gorky Literary Institute, Moscow, Russia) — Mikhail Bulgakov and the Jews
3. *Hamutal Bar-Yosef* (Ben-Gurion University, Beer-Sheva, Israel) — The Jewish Reception of Vladimir Solovyov
4. *Sophia Gurvich* (Tel-Aviv University, Tel-Aviv, Israel) — A.I. Herzen and the problem of Jewish spiritual life
5. *Leonid Katsis* (Jewish University, Moscow, Russia) — Judaic Imagery in the Russian avantgarde: Russian and Jewish Painters
6. *Vyacheslav Ivanov* (Theater Academy, Moscow, Russia) — The Gabima Theater: new archival sources
7. *Vladimir Gayevsky* (RSUH, Moscow, Russia) — King Lear in the Jewish Theater. The meaning of its presentation and the fate of its participants
8. *Mikhail Weiskopf* (Jerusalem, Israel) — The spirit of Marxism and the spirit of the Sabbath: Stalin's anti-Semitism in the view of church tradition
9. *Greta Slobin* (Wesleyan University, USA) — Poetry, Emigration, Diaspora

July 1, 1998

Plenary Session — II 10am-1pm
(Chair Galina Belaya)

1. *Israel Bartal* (Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel) — The Image of Russians in Yiddish and Hebrew Literature in the nineteenth century
2. *Dmitry Segal* (Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel) — The Russian-Jewish Intelligentsia outside of Russia
3. *Alexander Stepansky* (RSUH, Moscow, Russia) — The History of Russian-Speaking Jews: Stating the Question
4. *Mark Slobin* (Wesleyan University, USA) — Moshe Beregovskii: The Insider as Outsider
5. *David Roskies* (JTS, New York, USA) — Yidn Partizaner: Songs of the Jewish Resistance in their Soviet Context

History — II 2:30-6:30pm
(Chair Mark Kupovetsky) **July 1, 1998**

1. *John Klier* (University College, London, UK) — From "Little Man" to "Milkman": How truly does Jewish fiction in Eastern Europe reflect reality?
2. *Dmitrii Eliashevitch* (Jewish University, St. Petersburg, Russia) — The Language Question in the Jewish Press and Censorship (1850 — 1900)
3. *Mark Kupovetsky* (RSUH, Moscow, Russia) — Judaisers in Russia, seventeenth to twentieth centuries: From 'Religious Heresy' to Sub-Ethnic Group
4. *Grigory Kasovsky* (Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel) — The painters of Kiev Culture and the Russian avantgarde
5. *Stefani Hoffman and Lyudmila Dymersky-Tsigelman* (Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel) — Spiritual searches of the Jewish intelligentsia in the USSR in the 1960s and 1970s
6. *Rosalina Ryvkina* (ISEPN, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia) — The New Situation of Jews in Contemporary Russia

Culture — II 2:30-6:30pm
(Chair David Feldman) **July 1, 1998**

1. *Mikhail Krutikov* (Institute of Yiddish Studies, Oxford, UK) — The problem of tradition in Soviet Yiddish literary scholarship of the 1930s
2. *Emil Kogan* (Parisian State Institute of Eastern Languages and Civilization, Paris, France) — Russian-Jewish dialogue in the works of Isaac Babel
3. *David Feldman* (RSUH, Moscow, Russia) — The 'Odessa Stories' of Isaac Babel: Jewish fate and Hasidic folklore
4. *Nina Rudnik* (Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel) — Steps toward a conception of Jewish culture: E.D. Shor from the 1920s to 1950s

5. *Alexander Kobrinsky* (State Pedagogical University, Jewish University, St. Petersburg, Russia) — Kabbalah in the works of Daniil Harms
6. *Mikhail Odessky* (RSUH, Moscow, Russia) — The Jewish question in the polemic of G.O. Vinokur and A.M. Selischeva
7. *Rita Spivak* (Perm State University, Perm, Russia) — The Pentateuch and Prophets in the work of Ivan Bunin
8. *Maya Kagansky* (Jerusalem, Israel) — Zhabotinsky's novel 'Pyatero' ('Five') in the context of the Silver Age
9. *Vladimir Novikov* (MGU, Moscow, Russia) — The Russian-Jewish synthesis in the twentieth century culture of laughter

Supplementary Lectures

1. *Mikhail Greenberg* (Gesharim-Tarbut Association, Jerusalem, Israel) — Judaism and Orthodox Christianity: attempts at dialogue
2. *Assar Eppel* (Moscow, Russia) — The Litmus Test for Critics (an attempt at ethnic interpretation of the text)
3. *Galina Eliashberg* (RSUH, Moscow, Russia) — Intelligentsia and Intellectuals in Jewish literature
4. *Konstantin Burmistrov* (Jewish University, Moscow, Russia) — Sources of Vladimir Soloviov: Kabbalah
5. *Konstantin Dolgov* (Institute of Philosophy, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia) — M. Buber and L. Shestov
6. *Rita Genzeleva* (Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel) — The Search for National Identity in Russian-Language Literature of Israel: Ruth Zernova

Round Table on the Results of the Conference (Chair David Fishman)

Closing Ceremony