



עיריית נתניה

מכון לחקר INSTITUTE FOR
יהדות ספרד SEFARDI AND
והאנוסים ANOUSIM STUDIES

המכללה האקדמית נתניה NETANYA ACADEMIC COLLEGE

You are invited to an
INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
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MAPPING THE ANOUSIM DIASPORA: Six Centuries of Pushing Borders

March 23-24, 2015, followed by a Genealogy Workshop on March 25, 2015
at Netanya Academic College

Lectures will be accompanied by simultaneous translation, English-Hebrew and Hebrew-English



Conference Program: Monday, March 23, 2015

All sessions will take place in Tshuva Hall

08:45 – 09:30 **Registration and refreshments**

09:30 – 10:00 **Opening and welcoming remarks:**
Prof. Zvi Arad, President of Netanya Academic College
Ms. Miriam Feierberg-Ikar, Mayor of Netanya
Don Fernando Carderera Soler, H.E., Spanish Ambassador to Israel
Ms. Colette Avital, former Israeli Ambassador to Portugal

10:00 – 10:30 **Opening lecture**
Haviva Pedaya, the J.R. Elyachar Center, Dept. of Jewish History, BGU of the Negev:
TOWARDS A PHENOMENOLOGY OF CONVERSOS: FROM THE SIXTEENTH CENTURY TO CONTEMPORARY
CONVERSOS

Session I 10:30 – 11:30: Spain



Chair: Prof. Moisés Orfali, Bar Ilan University

José Manuel Laureiro Sol, Universidad Complutense, Madrid:
STUDY AND CLASSIFICATION OF CRYPTO-JEWISH EPIGRAPHY NEAR THE SPAIN-PORTUGAL BORDER

Ignacio Ruiz Rodríguez, Rey Juan Carlos University, Madrid, Director of the Israel-Spain Chair:
FALSE CONVERSOS IN THE HISPANIC UNIVERSITIES IN THE 16TH AND 17TH CENTURIE

Judith Cohen, performer and ethnomusicologist, York University, Canada:
MUSIC IN THE LIVES OF PORTUGUESE CRYPTO-JEWS: FROM BARROS BASTO TO THE INTERNET

Coffee break : 11:30 – 11:45



Session II 11:45 – 13:30: Italy - Co-sponsored with ASSEI



Chair: Prof. Michael Corinaldi, Law School, Netanya Academic College

Nadia Zeldes, Ben Gurion University:
SICILIAN CONVERTS AFTER THE EXPULSION (1492-1516)

Károly Dániel Dobos, Pázmány Péter Catholic University of Hungary:
THE IMPACT OF THE CONVERSOS ON JEWISH POLEMICAL ACTIVITY IN BAROQUE ITALY

Yochanan Melech (Giovanni Melchionda), Psychologist , University of Rome, Italy:
OVERVIEW OF THE ANUSIM IN ITALY

Break for light lunch: 13:30 – 14:30



Session III 14:30 – 16:15: Latin America (1)



Chair: Mr. José Benarroch, president, *Union Sefardi Mundial*, Israel

Schulamith Halevy, Hebrew University of Jerusalem:
THE CONTEMPORARY DIASPORA OF MEXICAN ANOUSIM

Yitzchak Kerem, researcher, Greek Ottoman and Sephardic Jewry, Hebrew University of Jerusalem:
MAPPING THE DEUNME

Myriam Silvera, Università Tor Vergata, Rome:
BETWEEN HAMBURG AND AMSTERDAM: NEW STUDIES AND DISCOVERIES ABOUT URIEL DA COSTA

Alexander Hernández Delgado, Rey Juan Carlos University, Madrid:
ANOUSIM DESCENDANTS IN CUBA: THEIR POSITION UNTIL THE 1959 REVOLUTION

Tudor Parfitt, Florida International University, USA:
THE LITTLE-KNOWN COMMUNITIES OF ANOUSIM IN AFRICA AND INDIA

Session IV 16:15 – 17:30: Portugal



Chair: Mr. Inácio Steinhardt

Inês Nogueiro, University of Oporto, Portugal:
THE GENETIC LEGACY OF CRYPTO-JEWS OF NORTHEASTERN PORTUGAL

Chagit Amrani, Bar Ilan University:
DESCENDANTS OF ANOUSIM AND *MEGORASHIM* IN THE PORTUGUESE JEWISH COMMUNITY OF TUNIS

Moti Benmelech, Herzog Academic College, Israel:
BETWEEN LISBON, ROME, AND REGENSBURG: FROM UNDERGROUND IDENTITY TO HYBRID IDENTITY

Cocktail Party and Honorary Award Ceremony: 17:30 – 18:30



AWARD FOR DISTINCTION ON HIS ACHIEVEMENTS FOR THE CRYPTO-JEWS IN PORTUGAL

Opening Remarks: Mr. Miguel de Almeida e Sousa, Portuguese Ambassador to Israel
Dr. David Altman, Senior Vice President, Netanya Academic College

Recipient: **Inácio Steinhardt**

Sephardic Music Performance: 18:30 – 19:30

Judith Cohen, York University, Canada:
SONGS OF *SEPHARAD* - SPAIN AND PORTUGAL - FROM THE MIDDLE AGES TO TODAY



Conference Program: Tuesday, March 24, 2015
All sessions will take place in Tshuva Hall

Session V 09:30 – 11:15: Personal Trajectories



Chair: Prof. Tamar Alexander, Ben Gurion University

Doreen Carvajal, Paris-based reporter for the New York Times:
THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF MEMORY

Genie Milgrom, Society for Crypto-Judaic Studies, USA:
JOURNEY BACK IN TIME IN SEARCH OF MY CRYPTO-JEWISH OR MARRANO ANCESTORS

David del Coso Westerman:
BACK TO MY JEWISH ROOTS IN TOLEDO

Jay Sanchez, Attorney and Counselor-at-Law, USA:
JEWISH PIRATES AND LAWYERS OF THE CARIBBEAN AND THEIR FIGHT AGAINST THE INQUISITION

Coffee break: 11:15 – 11:30



Session VI 11:30 – 13:15: Latin America (2)



Chair: Prof. Abraham Gross, Institute for Sefardi and Anousim Studies, and Ben Gurion University

Daniel Toutou, former rabbi in Brazil, Argentina, and Portugal:
EL SALVADOR AND BELMONTE EXPERIENCES

Eliyahu Birnbaum, former rabbi in Uruguay:
BNEI ANOUSIM IN SOUTH AMERICA

Yohanan Yedidya Medeiros, Anousim Congregation in Natal, Brazil:
THE PHENOMENON OF AWAKENING *RETORNADOS* IN NORTHEASTERN BRAZIL

Aliza Moreno-Goldschmidt, Levinsky College of Education, Israel:
THE CONVERSOS IN THE NORTHERN PART OF SOUTH AMERICA DURING THE COLONIAL PERIOD

Break for light lunch: 13:15 – 14:15



Session VII 14:15 – 16:00: Spanish Islands and North America



Chair: Doreen Carvajal, Paris-based reporter for the New York Times

Dell Sanchez, Aliyah Sephardic Center, San Antonio, Texas, USA:
THE LEGACY OF SECRECY AMONG SEPHARDIC CRYPTO JEWS IN THE USA

Jacqueline Tobias, Institute of Cultural Relations Balears-Israel:
BALEARIC *CHUETAS*: MAKING THEIR WAY BACK TO THEIR ROOTS

Silvia Schoffer Kraut, Universidad de La Laguna de Tenerife, and Juan Manuel Valladares, journalist:
ANOUSIM: THEIR INFLUENCE IN THE CANARIES, AND THEIR ASSIMILATION



Chair: Ms. Genie Milgrom, Society for Crypto-Judaic Studies, USA

Yael Cohen, Institute for Sefardi and Anousim Studies:
GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH UNIT AT THE INSTITUTE: PRESENTATION

Fernando González del Campo Román, Sefardi Genealogist, University of Barcelona:
BUILDING CRYPTO-JEWISH LINEAGES - THE IBERIAN ARCHIVES

Abraham Gross, Institute for Sefardi and Anousim Studies, and Keren Cohen, Design Works:
CREATING A LOGO FOR THE INSTITUTE: HISTORY AND ART

Closing lecture: 17:30 – 18:00

Hayim Dynovisz, rabbi:
SEFARDI JEWS: FROM JERUSALEM TO ESPAÑA AND BACK

GENEALOGY WORKSHOP: Anousim Genealogical Research - Problems and Solutions

Wednesday, March 25, 2015, 9:00- 11:30 at Senate Hall

Participants:

Genie Milgrom, Society for Crypto-Judaic Studies, USA

Yael Cohen, Chief Genealogist, Institute for Sefardi and Anousim Studies

Fernando González del Campo Román, Sefardi Genealogist, University of Barcelona

Daniel Horowitz, Chief Genealogist, MyHeritage



Registration Page

Registration:

Payment will be made upon arrival at the conference

Please fill out and return this page to:

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Important dates and times:

- Conference dates: March 23-24, 2015 at Tshuva Hall
- Payment: At door from 08:45
- Conference sessions: 09:30 - 17:30
- Cocktail party and musical performance: March 23, 17:30 - 19:30
- Genealogy workshop: March 25, 9:00 - 11:30, at Senate Hall

Fees include:

- **Full Pass:** All sessions, coffee breaks, lunches, cocktail party, musical performance
- **Second day Pass:** Second day sessions, lunch
- **Cocktail Party Pass:** Cocktail party, musical performance
- **Genealogy Workshop Pass:** Workshop and refreshments

Registration fee: (Israeli Shekels)

Methods of payment: cash, credit card, check

	SINGLE	COUPLE
FULL PASS	200	300
SECOND DAY PASS	100	150
COCKTAIL PARTY PASS	100	200
GENEALOGY WORKSHOP PASS	100	200

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