

BEYOND DIGITAL AWE

EUROPEAN JEWISH STUDIES AND THE CHALLENGE OF DIGITAL HUMANITIES

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DAY 1

9:00-9:15

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MONDAY

Welcome · Universiteto g. 7 · Room 331

Keynote lecture

Irene Zwiép · Amsterdam University

Turn, turn, turn: methodological turns and the limits of the Humanities

Coffee break

Seeing (through) the text

Moderator · **Tomasz M. Jankowski**

Sergii Gurbych · Vilnius University

From handwriting to historical insight:
applying DH tools to Yiddish WWI memoirs
from Eastern Europe

Benjamin Schnabel · Technical University of
Applied Sciences Mannheim

OCR correction in historical Jewish journals

Sinai Rusinek · Open University of Israel

Next AI frontiers for digital projects in Jewish Studies

Lunch break · Grey · Pilies g. 2

The Holocaust. New approaches, new challenges

Moderator · **Sinai Rusinek**

Justina Smalkyte · Sciences Po Paris

Urban neighborhoods as sites of persecution:
Mapping anti-Jewish repression in Vilnius,
summer 1941

Catrina Langenegger · University of Basel

Refugee care in Switzerland during World War
II in the light of historical statistics and GIS

Aharona Rosenthal · University of Maryland,
Baltimore County

When the survivors are gone, will Siri speak
for them?

15:00-15:30

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Coffee break

A view from above. Digitising collections
Moderator · **Sergii Gurbych**

Jonah Lubin · Harvard University
Parker Robbins · University of Chicago
Sinai Rusinek · Open University of Israel
Frank Fischer · Freie Universität
Introducing YiDraCor: A TEI XML encoded corpus of Yiddish drama

Gadi Sagiv · Open University of Israel
Structuring the sacred: A Digital Humanities approach to hasidic stories (1814-1914)

Ina Pukelytė · Vytautas Magnus University
Esther-Rachel Kaminska theater museum digital collection

Yevhen Zakharchenko · Karazin Kharkiv National University
'I survived the Nazis, I will survive the Rashists'. The World War II and the Holocaust in the current Ukrainian discourse on the ongoing Russian-Ukrainian war

DAY 2

TUESDAY

9:00-10:30

Spatialising Jewish history
Moderator · **Jurgita Verbickiene**

Kseniya Tserashkova · Vilnius University
Darya Tselesh · Independent researcher
Mapping for local history projects: from archival document to user model

Marcin Wodzinski · University of Wrocław
DH research on Hasidism

Tomasz M. Jankowski · Vilnius University
The transnational Jewish family? Spatial evidence from early-modern census data

10:30-11:00

Coffee break

11:00-12:30

Curating the past for the future

Moderator · **Marcin Wodziński**

Anna Hirsh · Historian, museums and collections consultant

Fragments & Memories: The digital & analogue reinterpretation of a lost synagogue mural

Daniel Burckhardt · Moses Mendelssohn Center for European-Jewish Studies

[Hi]stories of the German-Jewish diaspora: A hybrid publication project

Simon Rabinovitch · Northeastern University
Teaching and Learning with the Jewish Migration Project

12:30-14:00

Lunch break · Grey · Pilies g. 2

14:00-15:30

(In)Visible minorities

Moderator · **Catrina Langenegger**

Tim Buchen · University of Wrocław

Measuring a minority in a minority. Leadership and success among Breslau's Jews 1850-1933

Victoria Gerasimova · University of Warsaw
Gaps in the map, maps in the narrative?

Jewish Representation on a digital cultural map of Polish Lands, 1865-1914. Preliminary findings of the Vademecum project

Saule Valiunaite · Lithuanian Institute of History
In search of the under-researched. The case of Vilna Yiddishist women

15:30-16:00

Coffee break

16:00-17:00

Closing discussion

Conference committee

Vilnius University: Tomasz M. Jankowski (head), Jurgita Verbickiene, Sergii Gurbych, Kseniya Tserashkova; University of Wrocław: Wojciech Tworek, Marcin Wodziński