

Second Contact Day JEWISH STUDIES ON THE LOW COUNTRIES

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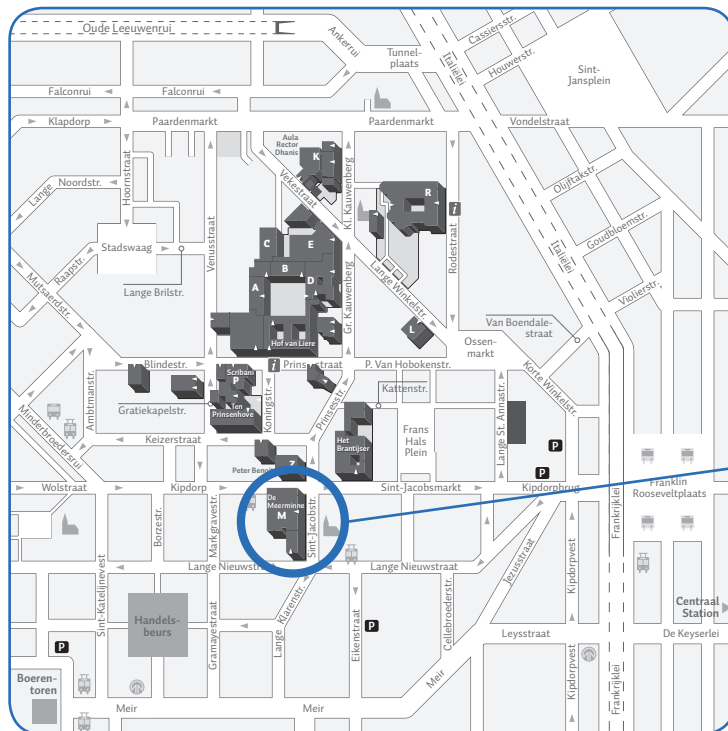
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Contact Day in English - participation free of charge



Venue

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Second Contact Day Tweede contactdag

JEWISH STUDIES ON THE LOW COUNTRIES JOODSE STUDIES VAN DE LAGE LANDEN

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The Institute of Jewish Studies organizes its second interdisciplinary conference concerning Jewish Studies on the Low Countries in cooperation with the Department of History at the University of Antwerp. The purpose of the conference is to facilitate contacts between researchers working within this area of study. We especially wish to offer a forum to young researchers to present "work in progress" and also welcome more established researchers, so that a positive exchange can be established between different research generations. Represented disciplines in the program are history, literature, anthropology and sociology.

Het Instituut voor Joodse Studies organiseert in samenwerking met het Departement Geschiedenis aan de Universiteit Antwerpen een tweede interdisciplinaire ontmoetings-studiedag op het terrein van de joodse studies van de Lage Landen. Doel van deze dag is de verschillende onderzoekers die zich bezighouden met joodse studies van de Lage Landen met elkaar in contact te brengen. We bieden in het bijzonder jonge onderzoekers een forum om "work in progress" te presenteren en verwelkomen daarnaast ook meer gevestigde onderzoekers. Deze dag beoogt een wisselwerking tussen verschillende onderzoeksgeneraties. Vertegenwoordigde disciplines zijn geschiedenis, literatuur, antropologie en sociologie.

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

08:30 Registration and Coffee

09:00 Welcome

Vivian Liska - Instituut voor Joodse Studies, Universiteit Antwerpen

Opening Remarks

Karin Hofmeester - Universiteit Antwerpen / IISG Amsterdam

Veerle Vanden Daelen - Universiteit Antwerpen

09:30 **SESSION I**

INSTITUTIONS, RELIGION, EMANCIPATION AND SECULARISATION

Chair: Jean-Philippe Schreiber - Université Libre de Bruxelles

- **Rosa Reicher** - Universität Heidelberg, Institute of Education
State, Religion and Jewish Identity in the Philosophical and Political Thought of Simone Luzzatto, John Toland and Menasseh ben Israel
- **Karin Hofmeester** - Universiteit Antwerpen / IISG Amsterdam
State, Religion and Jewish Political Emancipation in the Netherlands
- **Paul van Trigt** - Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
Secularization, the Sixties and Religious Jewry in the Low Countries

11:00 Coffee Break

11:15 **SESSION II**

JEWISH ECONOMIC LIFE IN THE LOW COUNTRIES

Chair: Cor Trompetter - Independent Scholar, Weststellingerwerf

- **Bert Schijf** - Universiteit van Amsterdam
The German Bischoffsheims in the Nineteenth Century: Amsterdam, Antwerp, Brussels and Paris. The International Orientation of a Jewish Financial Dynasty
- **Serge ter Braake** - Joods Historisch Museum / Menasseh ben Israel Instituut, Amsterdam
Jewish Entrepreneurs in the Dutch Leather Industry (1870-1940): The Possibilities and Impossibilities of a Quantitative Approach

12:15 Lunch Break

13:30 **SESSION III**

JEWISH AND NON-JEWISH ENCOUNTERS: MIGRATION, TRANSLATION, GEOGRAPHIC AND SYMBOLIC SPACE

Chair: Veerle Vanden Daelen - Universiteit Antwerpen

- **Kris Van Heuckelom** - Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
The Jewish Connection: Nineteenth Century Polish Literature in Dutch Translation
- **Pascale Fallek** - European University Institute, Florence
Female Jewish Migrants from Eastern Europe at Belgian Universities 1918 -1940: the Life Trajectory of Hélène Temerson (1896-1977)
- **Anick Vollebergh** - Universiteit van Amsterdam
Telling Spaces and Bodies Apart in a Multiethnic Neighbourhood: the 'Jewish' Perspective
- **Gila Schnitzer** - Vrije Universiteit Brussel
Gerrit Loots - Vrije Universiteit Brussel
Carolina Valdebenito - Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Mapping Encounters in an Invisible Arena: the (Flemish) Mental Health Care and the Jewish Community in Antwerp
- **Peter Tammes** - Universiteit Leiden
Residential Segregation of Jews in Amsterdam Neighbourhoods on the Eve of the Shoah

16:00 Coffee Break

16:15 **SESSION IV**

WORLD WAR II IN THE LOW COUNTRIES

Chair: Pim Griffioen - Independent Scholar, Amsterdam

- **Marc Verschooris** - Hogeschool Gent
Yves Louis - Belgische Academie voor Kindergeneeskunde, Ronse
Medical Professors and Students in Belgium during World War II: the Connection of Anti-Semitism and Anti-Masonry versus the Resistance
- **Jan Maes** - Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Bystanders, Victims and Perpetrators Involved in the Story of an Informal Network of Protestants Trying to Rescue Jews in the Surroundings of Antwerp and Louvain (1942-1944)
- **Jan Bernheim** - Vrije Universiteit Brussel
The Shoah on the Scheldt: Reasons why Denying the 'Antwerp Specificity' is Tantamount to Negationism

17:45 Closing Remarks