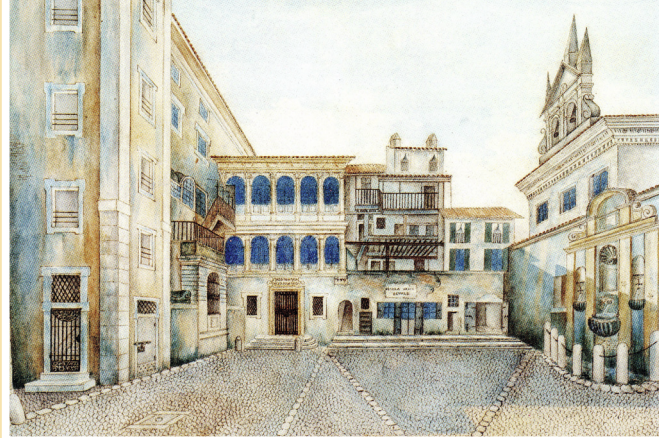


THE MANY FACES OF EARLY MODERN ITALIAN JEWRY



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**OCTOBER
4-6, 2021**

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

DAY ONE, MONDAY, 4TH OCTOBER, 2021

16:30^[1] REGISTRATION

17:00–17:15 GREETINGS AND CONFERENCE OPENING, Dr Martin Borýsek and Dr Davide Liberatoscioli (University of Potsdam)

17:15–18:00 CONFERENCE PANEL: THE DIVERSE LANDSCAPE OF JEWISH ITALY AT THE CLOSE OF THE MIDDLE AGES
“Italian Jewish women’s wills: a late Medieval Republic of instruments?”, Dr Rena Lauer (Oregon State University) [Zoom presentation]

“Responses to Jewish diversity among Italian princes (1450–1550)”, Prof Pierre Savy (École française de Rome)
“Italian Jews encountering Ashkenazi and Sephardic Jews in the Late Middle Ages (end of 14th–15th centuries)”, Prof Alessandra Veronese (University of Pisa)

18:15–18:45 TEA AND COFFEE

18:45–19:45 KEYNOTE LECTURE: “WHAT HAPPENED TO THE JEWS OF SOUTHERN ITALY?”, Prof David Abulafia (University of Cambridge) [Zoom presentation]

20:00 DINNER

DAY TWO, TUESDAY, 5TH OCTOBER, 2021

9:00–10:00 KEYNOTE LECTURE: “THE JEWS AND THE CIRCULATION OF BLOOD AS ECONOMIC METAPHOR IN MEDIEVAL/MODERN CIVIC DISCOURSE (ITALY, 15TH–17TH C.)”, Prof Giacomo Todeschini (University of Trieste)

10:15–11:15 CONFERENCE PANEL: ITALIAN JEWISH IDENTITIES AND GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION
“Who is an Italian Jew?”, Prof Asher Salah (Bezalel Academy of Arts/Hebrew University, Jerusalem)
“Cross-Cultural Encounters in the Italo-Ashkenazic Experience, 1400–1600”, Dr Lucia Raspe (Goethe University, Frankfurt am Main)
“The Jewish Population in Modern Italy. The demographic Formation of multicultural Communities”, Nardo Bonomi Braverman (independent scholar)

11:15–11:45 TEA AND COFFEE

11:45–12:45 CONFERENCE PANEL: JEWISH-JEWISH ENCOUNTERS IN THE ROMAN GHETTO
“Population, social stratification and groups of power in the Jewish ghetto of Rome during the 17th century”, Dr Andrea Yaakov Lattes (Yaad Academic College, Tel Aviv)
Is there a life after the Sephardim? Scole and edot in the Roman Ghetto (17th–18th centuries)”, Prof Serena di Nepi (University of Rome)
“The husband of two wives. Sephardic and Italian Jews in a seventeenth-century Roman *giudiata*”, Alice Grazzini (University of Pisa)

12:45–14:15 LUNCH BREAK

14:15–15:30 CONFERENCE PANEL: INTRA-JEWISH CONFLICTS AND CHRISTIAN MEDIATION IN NORTHERN ITALY

“The Christian as intermediary: two cases of intra-Jewish conflict in eighteenth-century Italy (Ancona and Mantua)”, Prof Germano Maifreda (University of Milan)

“Building the ghetto: the many facets of the Venetian Jewry in the 16th century”, Dr Rachele Scuro (University of Milan-Bicocca)

“Ethnic-Religious Pluralism and Constructions of Otherness in Habsburg Trieste (1782–1868)”, Dr Paola Ferruta (University of Paris-Sorbonne)

“Conversion and Jewish *patria potestas* in Late-Eighteenth-Century Livorno and Mantua”, Prof Francesca Bregoli (City University of New York) [Zoom presentation]

15:30–16:00 TEA AND COFFEE

16:00–17:00 CONFERENCE PANEL: THE MANY FACES OF EARLY MODERN ITALIAN JEWISH CULTURE

“From Italy to Germany and back. The Italian Origin of the Ashkenazic Script and its Development in Northern Italy from the Late 14th to the 16th Centuries.”, Prof. Mauro Perani (University of Bologna) [Zoom presentation]

“Jews and politics in early modern Italy: between theory and practice”, Dr Guido Bartolucci (University of Calabria)

“Ashkenazim and Sephardim or Ashkenazim vs. Sephardim in early sixteenth century Italy”, Dr Moti Benmelech (Herzog College, Alon Shvut) [Zoom presentation]

18:30 DINNER

DAY THREE, WEDNESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER, 2021

9:00–10:00 KEYNOTE LECTURE: “FOREIGN JEWISH SLAVE WOMEN AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES IN EARLY MODERN ITALY”, Prof Tamar Herzog (Tel Aviv University) [Zoom presentation]

10:15–11:15 CONFERENCE PANEL: CROSSING BORDERS IN EARLY MODERN ITALIAN JEWISH LITERATURE
“Silkworms and Bookworms: The Partners of Bologna, R. Abraham b. Moses ha-Kohen and Sephardic Promulgation of Ashkenazic Culture in Early Modern Italy”, Dr Joseph Skloot (Hebrew Union College, New York)

“Spanish and Italian Poetics in Yosef Zark’s 15th Century Hebrew Epistolary”, Ori Kinberg (Hebrew University, Jerusalem)

“Jacob Mantino’s translations of Averroes and Jewish philosophy in sixteenth-century Italy”, Dr Michael Engel (University of Hamburg)

11:15–11:30 TEA AND COFFEE

11:30–12:30 KEYNOTE LECTURE: „THROUGH JEWISH EYES: COUNTER-NARRATIVES OF ITALIAN HISTORY“, Prof Cristiana Facchini (University of Bologna)

12:30 CLOSING REMARKS, Dr Davide Liberatoscioli and Dr Martin Borýsek (University of Potsdam)

^[1] All times are local (Central European Summer Time/ GMT+2)