The Centre for the Study of Manuscript Cultures (CSMC) cordially invites you to an

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE on

OBJECTS OF DESIRE: SEFARDIC MANUSCRIPTS FROM HAMBURG

12 – 13 February 2018
CSMC – Warburgstraße 26 – 20354 Hamburg (room 0001)

Convenors
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www.manuscript-cultures.uni-hamburg.de; www.igdj-hh.de
Monday, 12 February 2017

GREETINGS
9.30 am

Prof Dr Michael Friedrich (Director Centre for the Study of Manuscript Cultures)
Prof Dr Giuseppe Veltri (Director Maimonides Centre for Advanced Studies (MCAS) – Jewish Scepticism)
Dr Michael Studemund-Halévy (Institute for the History of the Jews in Germany)

SECTION I
9.45 – 11 am  Chair: Irina Wandrey, University of Hamburg

Michael Studemund-Halévy (Institute for the History of the Jews in Germany, Hamburg)
Bill Rebiger (The Maimonides Centre for Advanced Studies, University of Hamburg)
Cutting the knots of camel-drivers and sailors: Cod. hebr. 186

Myriam Silvera (Università degli Studi di Roma “Tor Vergata”, Rome)
Le rôle du manuscrit Levy 122 dans la transmission textuelle des Prevenciones Divinas

Coffee Break

SECTION II
11.30 am – 12.45 pm  Chair: Corinna Deppner, University of Erfurt

Kenneth Brown (University of Calgary)
Bento Guilhelmo Rahmeijer: Was gibt’s denn in Hamburg und Lissabon? Collecçaõ curioza de Poezias & em Proza em Portugues, Castelhano, Frances, Inglez: Cod.hispan. 44

Harm den Boer (University of Basel)
Literary miscellanea as spaces of entertainment and cultural identity in the Western Sefardi Diaspora: Cod. hispan. 30

12.45 – 2.45 pm Lunch
SECTION III
2.45 – 4 pm  Chair: Racheli Haliva, University of Hamburg

David Sclar (Princeton)
*Constructing a Rabbinic Library: the Ets Haim Yeshiva’s Acquisition of Books from Abroad in the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries*

Heide Warncke (Ets Haim Library, Amsterdam)
*Cod. Levy 156: Megillat Curiel, 1628*

Coffee Break

SECTION IV
4.30 – 5.30 pm  Chair: Anna Boroffka, University of Hamburg

Ira Rabin and Ivan Shevchuk (CSMC, University of Hamburg)
*Material and Photographic Analysis of Manuscripts*

Coffee Break

SECTION V
5.45 – 6.30 pm  Chair: David Ruderman, University of Pennsylvania

Yosef Kaplan (Hebrew University, Jerusalem)
*The strange request of Joseph Semah Arias and Juan de Prado's mysterious sect*

SECTION VI
6.30 – 7.15  Chair: Patrick Koch, University of Hamburg

Yaacob Dweck (Princeton University)
*The truth value of doubt in the rabbinic tradition: Jacob Sasportas at the height of the messianic enthusiasm about Sabbetai Sevi in 1665 and 1666 in Hamburg.*

8 pm Dinner
Tuesday, 13 February 2017

SECTION VII
9.30 – 11 am    Chair: Michael Kohs, University of Hamburg

Carsten L. Wilke (Central European University, Budapest)
The Marrakesh Dialogues: Cod. hebr. 240g and Cod. hebr. 333

Julia Lieberman (St. Louis University)
Daily Life in Ottoman Jerusalem in the 1630s: Through the Eyes of an International Wordly Merchant: Cod. Levy 75/2

Coffee Break

SECTION VIII
11.15 – 12.45 pm   Chair: Michael Studemund-Halévy, Institute for the History of the Jews in Germany, Hamburg

Fernando José Pancorbo Murillo (University of Basel)
Fin de la semana sobre la Creación del Mundo: Cod. hebr. 240f

Ilana Tahan (British Library)
Hebrew manuscripts from Spain and Portugal, particularly their acquisition, provenance and their digitized status

12.45 – 2 pm Lunch Break

ROUND TABLE
2 pm – 3.30 pm    Chairs: Carsten L. Wilke, Budapest, and Harm den Boer, Basel

Sefardic Manuscripts Research and Digitizing Sefardic Manuscripts