

The Centre for the Study of Manuscript Cultures (CSMC) and the  
Hamburg State and University Library Carl von Ossietzky

present

**Tora – Talmud – Siddur.  
Hebrew Manuscripts of the Hamburg State and  
University Library Carl von Ossietzky**

For the very first time the extensive and important collection of Hebrew manuscripts in Hamburg will be presented to the public in an exhibition. With a total of roughly 550 manuscripts the collection ranks among the largest worldwide. The abundance of manuscripts is owed to passionate academic collectors like Conrad von Uffenbach, Christian Theophil Unger, Joachim Morgenweg and especially professor and pastor Johann Christoph Wolf from Hamburg. The manuscript culture of the German Judaism is particularly well represented through medieval bibles; large scale prayer books; illuminated haggadot and written scrolls of Esther; mystic and magic, philosophical and scientific texts; artefacts of everyday culture and religious rites in Hebrew, Aramaic, Yiddish and German. A selection of 70 manuscripts will be on display, demonstrating the abundance and characteristics of the collection.

During the time of the exhibition a public conference *Research on Hebrew Manuscripts – Status quaestionis* (21-23 October 2014) will take place at the CSMC (Warburgstraße 26, 20354 Hamburg).

A copiously illustrated catalogue is in preparation to accompany the exhibition. It originates from a cooperation between the Hamburg State and University Library Carl von Ossietzky and the CSMC.

**18 September – 26 October 2014**

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Exhibition Room on the ground level

Free Entry