

## [Workshop: Neighbors and Strangers: Muslims, Jews and other Minorities in Central Asia and the Caucasus in the 19th and 20th centuries](#)

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### ***Workshop: Neighbors and Strangers: Muslims, Jews and other Minorities in Central Asia and the Caucasus in the 19th and 20th centuries***

**Feb. 1, 2023 - The Ben-Zvi Institute for the Study of Jewish Communities in the East, Jerusalem**

#### **10.00 - OPENING**

**Yaniv Mezuman**, Yad Ben-Zvi CEO

**Assaf Tamari**, Deputy Director, The Ben-Zvi Institute for the Study of Jewish Communities in the East, Jerusalem

**Zeev Levin**, The Ben-Zvi Institute for the Study of Jewish Communities in the East, Jerusalem

#### **10.15 - 11.15 - THE IMPERIAL ERA**

*Imperial Borderlands, Anti-Semitism, and the Struggle for 'Justice' and 'Legality'. Blood Libel in a Georgian Village, 1878-80.*

**Stefan B. Kirmse**, Leibniz-Zentrum Moderner Orient (ZMO), Berlin

*Afghanistan - Central Asia - Iran & Beyond: Mapping Mobility - Central Asian Jewish trader families and family stories (in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century)*

**Ariane Sadjed**, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna

**Thomas Loy**, Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague

**11.15-11.30 - COFFEE BREAK**

**11.30 - 13.15 - SOVIET ERA**

*Multi-Ethnic Experts, Women, Refugees and Children as “Modern Soviet” Labor at Archeological Expeditions and Big Chuj Channel Irrigation System Building*

**Kunduz Niiazova**, Tel-Aviv University

*Old schools and new kolkhozes – Tajik and Judeo-Tajik literatures in the 1930s*

**Thomas Loy**, Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague

*Interactions of Deported Meskethian Turks with other minorities in Uzbekistan*

**Fahri Türk** and **Dolunay Yusuf Baltürk**, Trakya University, Turkey

*Uzbek-Jewish Relations in WWII: Evacuation as a Testing Ground for the “Friendship of the Peoples”*

**Leora Eisenberg**, Harvard University

**13.15 - 14.00 - LUNCH**

**14.00 - 15.45 POST COLONIAL ERA**

*Local identity and ‘Soft’ Resistance: Jews and Muslims in Ferghana Valley in Late Soviet Era*

**Chen Bram**, Hadassah Academic College and Truman Institute

*Georgian Jews and Georgian non-Jews: Soviet experience through the prism of nostalgia*

**Yulia Oreshina**, American University, Tbilisi

*Colonial and post-Colonial Cultural adaptations: a case study of Muslim and Jewish Cemeteries in Central Asia*

**Zeev Levin**, The Ben-Zvi Institute for the Study of Jewish Communities in the East, Jerusalem

*Jewish and non-Jewish Demographical performances in the 20<sup>th</sup> century censuses*

**Vecheslav Konstantinov**, JDC, Jerusalem

#### **15.45- 16.00 - COFFEE BREAK**

#### **16.00 - 17.00 ROUND TABLE**

Neighbors and Strangers parallels, similarities and unique cases through different regions and periods **Workshop Participants**

#### **17.00 - CONCLUDING REMARKS**

#### **Zoom Connect:**

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