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The Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities takes pleasure in inviting you  
to attend an international conference

marking a century from the start of the Palestine Mandate

# The British Mandate in Palestine: Regional and Global Contexts

בימים שני-שלישי כ"ה-כ"ו באלול תשפ"ג  
Monday-Tuesday, September 11-12, 2023

בבית האקדמיה, רחוב ז'בוטינסקי 43, ירושלים | at the Academy, 43 Jabotinsky St., Jerusalem

## Monday, September 11, 2023

9:30 **Gathering**

10:00 **Greetings**

**David Harel**, President of the Academy

**Margalit Finkelberg**, Vice President of the Academy

10:15 **Opening Remarks**

**Liat Kozma**, Former Israel Young Academy Member,  
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

**Billie Melman**, Academy Member, Tel Aviv University

10:30 **Comparing Mandates: A Global View**

Chair: **Ruth Ginio**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Glass Houses and Empire: The British and French  
Mandates in Africa, 1914-1946

**Michael D. Callahan**, Kettering University

British Rule in Palestine, the Mandates System,  
and the Global Color Line

**Nimrod Ben Zeev**, Tel Aviv University

From Colonial Policy Studies to Development Studies:  
Japan's Pacific Mandate in the International Discourse

**Tomoko Akami**, Australian National University

12:10 **Break**

13:10 **Borders and Landscapes:  
Peripheries, Regions, and Empires**

Chair: **Motti Golani**, Tel Aviv University

Making Borders from Below: Female Cross-Border Infringements  
along the Turkish-Syrian Boundary, 1926-1946

**Jordi Tejel**, University of Neuchâtel

Great Expectations: Oil, International Corporations, and Imaginaries  
of Modernity in Mandate Palestine

**Shira Pinhas**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Progress in the Levantine Countryside: Agrarian Development under  
the British and French Mandates in Palestine and Syria

**Basma Fahoum**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Shifting Sands: Mandatory Environmentalism and the Making of the  
Modern Coastal Plain in the Southeastern Mediterranean

**Dotan Halevy**, Polonsky Academy,  
The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute

## Tuesday, September 12, 2023

9:00 **Gathering**

9:30 **Educating Mandates: French, British,  
and German Perspectives**

Chair: **Ami Ayalon**, Tel Aviv University

Comparing Systems: Lebanese Perspectives on French, British,  
and German Educational Institutions in the Mandate Period

**Esther Möller**, Centre Marc Bloch Berlin and  
The Leibniz Institute of European History, Mainz

Local, National, and Colonial Criteria: Standardized Testing in  
Britain's Middle Eastern Mandates

**Hilary Falb Kalisman**, University of Colorado Boulder

Wishful Thinkers: Egyptian, Iraqi, and Palestinian Pedagogical  
Reformers during the Interwar Period

**Yoni Furas**, University of Haifa

11:10 **Break**

11:40 **Planning Urban Spaces:  
Transnational and Local Histories**

Chair: **Mustafa Abassi**, Tel-Hai College

Writing 'Colonial Urbanism': Architects vs Urban Planners  
and the Imperial Idea of Partition

**Shira Wilkof**, Technion - Israel Institute of Technology

Planning the Qasba: Imposing Colonial Lines on Indigenous  
Societies - The Case of Lydda

**Tawfiq Da'adli**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem,  
Israel Young Academy Member

Between Mandate Authorities and Local Communities:  
Impoverished Neighborhoods in Palestine, 1920-1945

**Elia Etkin**, University of Haifa

13:20 **Break**

14:20 **Social Policy: Administrations, Governments,  
and Networks**

Chair: **Abigail Jacobson**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Mirror Images? A Comparative View of Social Policy in Cameroon  
and Palestine under Mandate

**Kenneth Orosz**, Buffalo State University

Between the Central and Local Administrations:

A Local History of Public Health in Mandate Palestine

**Ahmad Mahmoud**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Charity and Changing Social Networks:

The Haifa Infant Welfare Association, 1924-1952

**Nicole Khayat**, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

16:00 **Concluding Remarks**

Organizing Committee Members **Liat Kozma** and

**Billie Melman**

להרשמה  
Registration

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