

## Building in Palestine and Israel (Innsbruck, 11–12 Apr 18)

Universität Innsbruck, Unit History of Architecture and Preservation of Monuments,  
Technikerstraße 21, 6020 Innsbruck (Austria), Apr 11–12, 2018

Klaus Tragbar, Universität Innsbruck

100 Years of Planning and Building in Palestine and Israel  
Study Day

Universität Innsbruck, Unit History of Architecture and Preservation of Monuments  
Bet Tfila – Research Unit for Jewish Architecture, TU Braunschweig  
Institute for the History of the German Jews, Hamburg

The conference will be held in English. Kosher food will not be available. Attendance is free of charge.

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Program:

Wednesday, 11 April 2018

12.00 a.m.

Ulrike Tanzer, Innsbruck: Welcome Address  
Ulrich Knufinke, Braunschweig / Hamburg, and  
Klaus Tragbar, Innsbruck: Introduction

Section 1: Adapting of Research Methods

Moderation Klaus Tragbar

12.30 p.m.

Dietlinde Schmitt-Vollmer, Bonn / Stuttgart: White City Tel Aviv. Construction and Recommendations for Conservation

1.00 p.m.

Shmuel Groag, Jerusalem: Hybrid Modernism in Jaffa. The Case of King George Avenue, 1917-1948

1.30 p.m. Coffee Break

Section 2: Planning and Building in Palestine in the Late Ottoman Empire and the British Mandate

Moderation Ulrich Knufinke

2.00 p.m.

Vladimir Levin, Jerusalem: Our Holy Land. The Politics of Russian Architecture in Jerusalem in the Late Imperial Period

2.30 p.m.

Regina Stephan, Mayence: Erich Mendelsohn's Critique: »Palestine and the World of Tomorrow« (1940)

3.00 p.m.

Edina Meyer-Maril, Tel Aviv: People's Houses, Phenomena of Architecture, Culture, and Society in Israel, 1890-1967

3.30 p.m. Coffee Break

Section 3: The Heritage of »Modernism«

Moderation Katrin Keßler

4.00 p.m.

Daniel Thalheim, Leipzig: The Early Cartography of Palestine in View of the Colonization by the German Templar Association in the 19th Century

4.30 p.m.

Irit Carmon Popper and Alona Nitzan-Shiftan, Haifa: Marcel Janco as an Active Creative Agent of a Zionist Radical Arena

5.00 p.m. Light Snack

6.00 p.m. Evening lecture

Ita Heinze-Greenberg, Zurich: The Housing of the New Hebrew. On Zionism and Modern Architecture

Thursday, 12 April 2018

Section 4: Building a New State. Architecture and Urbanism

Moderation Elmar Kossel

9.00 a.m.

Ines Sonder and Joachim Trezib, Potsdam: The RASSCO and the Settlement of the Fifth Aliyah in Erez Israel (1933–1948)

9.50 a.m.

Naomi Simhony, Jerusalem: The Central Synagogue in Nazareth Illit (1968). Architecture and Cultural History

10.20 a.m.

Roy Kozlovsky and Neta Feniger, Tel Aviv: The Ayalon Crosstown Expressway and the Techno-Politics of Metropolitan Infrastructure

10.50 a.m. Coffee Break

Section 5: Symbolism and Remembrance in Israeli Architecture since 1948

Moderation Sophie Elaine Wolf

11.15 a.m.

Anna Minta, Linz: »The Desert Will Bloom.« Garden Cities and New Towns for the New State

11.45 a.m.

Inbal Ben-Asher Gitler, Be'er Scheva: Campus Architecture in Israel in the Service of National Identity. Modernist University Planning meets Middle Eastern Concepts

12.15 a.m.

Elana Shapira, Vienna: Narratives of National Rebirth in Frederick Kiesler's »Shrine of the Book« in Jerusalem

12.45 a.m.

Ulrich Knufinke, Braunschweig / Hamburg, and  
Klaus Tragbar, Innsbruck: Closing Remarks

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