



WHAT HAPPENED IN THE SEVENTH CENTURY?

Socio-Religious Transformations and Apocalyptic Discourses
International Workshop, Tel Aviv University 12–14 June, 2023

June 12 (Monday)

Drachlis Hall (Gilman 496)

09:00–09:30 **Welcome & coffee**

09:30–10:20 **Gianfilippo Terribili** (Sapienza University of Rome)

The Tripartite Exploit. A Case Study on Seventh-Century Narrative Patterns in Historiographical Traditions

10:20–11:10 **Domenico Agostini** (Tel Aviv University)

Is the Zoroastrian Historical Apocalypse a Seventh-Century Literary Genre?

11:10–11:40 **Coffee Break**

11:40–12:30 **Michael Shenkar** (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

Sogdiana in the Seventh Century: On the Eve of the Apocalypse

12:30–14:00 **Lunch Break**

14:00–14:50 **Jeffrey Kotyk** (University of Bologna)

An Apocalypse in China? Iranian Religions in Tang China (618–907): Continuity and Adaptation

14:50–15:40 **Hillel Newman** (University of Haifa)

What Difference did the Emergence of Islam make to Jewish Apocalypses of the Seventh Century?

For any questions, please contact agostini@tauex.tau.ac.il

June 13 (Tuesday)

The Cymbalista Synagogue Seminar Room and Gilman Hall 133 (from 14:30)

9:00–09:50 **Lutz Greisiger** (Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg)

Hegemony and its Providential Limitations: A Transcultural Inter-Discursive Theme Shaped in the Seventh Century

09:50–10:40 **Michal Bar-Asher Siegal** (Ben Gurion University of the Negev)

The Bat and the Rooster: On Jewish-Christian Literary Interactions in the Babylonian Talmud

10:40–11:10 **Coffee Break**

11:10–12:00 **Nadine Viermann** (Durham University)

Monoenergism between Constantinople and Syria: Some Remarks Based on George of Pisidia's Contra Severum

12:00–12:50 **Yuri Stoyanov** (SOAS – University of London)

Apocalypticizing Trends in Seventh-Century Byzantine and East Christian Ideologies of Warfare: Provenance and Nachleben

13:00–14:30 **Lunch Break**

14:30–15:20 **Benjamin Birely** (Tel Aviv University)

Rethinking Armilos: Intra-Jewish Avenues of Interpretation in Late Antiquity

15:20–16:10 **Zara Pogossian** (University of Florence) [On zoom]

Emperor Heraclius, the Cult of the True Cross and Apocalyptic Discourses in Seventh-Century Armenia

June 14 (Wednesday)

The Cymbalista Synagogue Seminar Room and Gilman Hall 133 (from 14:30)

9:30–10:20 **Yonatan Moss** (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

Resolving the Paradox of Syriac Literary Activity in the Seventh Century

10:20–11:10 **András Kraft** (University of Vienna)

The Eschatology of (Ps-)Anastasios of Sinai

11:10–11:40 **Coffee Break**

11:40–12:30 **Katia Cytryn-Silverman** (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

A hundred Years of Tolerance? Tiberias after the Arab Conquest

12:30–14:30 **Lunch Break**

14:30–15:20 **Michael Josef Marx** (Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities)

Chronology of early Qur'āns according to Carbon Dating and Implications for the Understanding of the Seventh Century CE

15:20–16:10 **Nimrod Hurvitz** (Ben Gurion University of the Negev)

Anxieties of the Victorious: The Struggle of Conservative Muslims Against Speculative Reasoning in Theological Inquiries

16:10–16:30 **Concluding Remarks**

Image: Piero della Francesca, *The Battle of Nineveh between Heraclius and Khosrow II*, fresco (15th century), Basilica of San Francesco, Arezzo



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