

The Rise and Fall of the New World

Dan David 2019 Conference | December 18-19, 2019



December 18

14:00-16:00

Greetings: Miri Shefer-Mossensohn, Head of the School of Historical Studies, Tel Aviv University

New World, New Thought, New Vision
 Chair: Shaul Katzir, Tel Aviv University

- **Raz Chen-Morris**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
To See the World Anew: Optics and Science in Early 17th Century Europe
- **Wael Abu-'Uksa**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Concept of Civilization in Arabic and Its Demise
- **Dan Orbach**, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Lost in Translation? The Japanese Discovery of Western Military Thought

16:00-16:30 Coffee Break

16:30-18:30

New Emotions, New Sensibilities, New Crises
 Chair: Ori Preuss, Tel Aviv University

- **Andrei Zorin**, University of Oxford
Russian Emotional Culture of the Late Eighteenth–Early Nineteenth Centuries: The Rise of Literature
- **Michael Zakim**, Tel Aviv University
New Diseases in the Age of Capital
- **Billie Melman**, Tel Aviv University
A Past for the Modern World: The Interwar Imperial Order, Imperial Crisis, and the Emergence of a “Regime of Antiquities”

December 19

9:00-11:30

Rediscovering the New World(s)

Chair: Israel Gershoni, Tel Aviv University

- **Ori Sela**, Tel Aviv University
China’s Early-Modern (Re-)Discovery of the ‘West’ and the Agents Thereof
- **Jacob Raz**, Tel Aviv University
The Resale of Asian Mysticism: Passes and Bypasses on Its Journey to the West
- **Vera Tolz**, The University of Manchester, UK
Re-negotiating Cultural Diversity: The Rise and Endurance of Nationality, National Religion and Race in Modern Russia and its Empire
- **Orit Bashkin**, University of Chicago
An Old/New Colonial World: The Rise of Arab Discourses

11:30-12:00 Coffee Break

12:00-14:00

From a New World to a New Order

Chair: Iris Rachamimov, Tel Aviv University

- **Rudolf Kučera**, Masaryk Institute and Archive, Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague
Common Past, Diverging Futures: Physical Violence and the Visions of the New Order in Austria and Czechoslovakia after the First World War
- **Amir Teicher**, Tel Aviv University
The Biology of the Hidden and the Creation of the Nazis’ New Order
- **Dina Moyal**, Tel Aviv University
Soviet Russia as a New Law and Order Project

15:00-17:00

Dismantling the New Order, Deconstructing the New World

Chair: Sagi Schaefer, Tel Aviv University

- **Alexander Etkind**, European University Institute, Florence
Dismantling Stalinism, Deconstructing Utopia
- **Muriel Blaive**, Institut für die Wissenschaften vom Menschen, Vienna
Real Existing Post-Socialism: The Czech Politics of Totalitarianism
- **Lea David**, Marie Curie Fellow, School of Sociology UCD, Dublin
In the Aftermath of the Collapse of Yugoslavia: Stuck between Human Rights and Nationalism

17:00-17:15 Coffee Break

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Concluding Round-Table

Chair: Dina Moyal, Tel Aviv University

Tel Aviv University, Gilman Building, Room 496

The conference will be held in English | Free Admission