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By Car: The quickest route is via the motorway junction Bochum/Witten, where the autobahns A43 and A44 meet. Simply take the exit Bochum-Querenburg, follow the signs to *Bochum Zentrum* to the crossroads of Universitätsstraße and Wasserstraße. Take a u-turn left and continue this road for approx. 200 metres, until you reach Universitätsstraße 90a. Parking is possible in front and behind the building.



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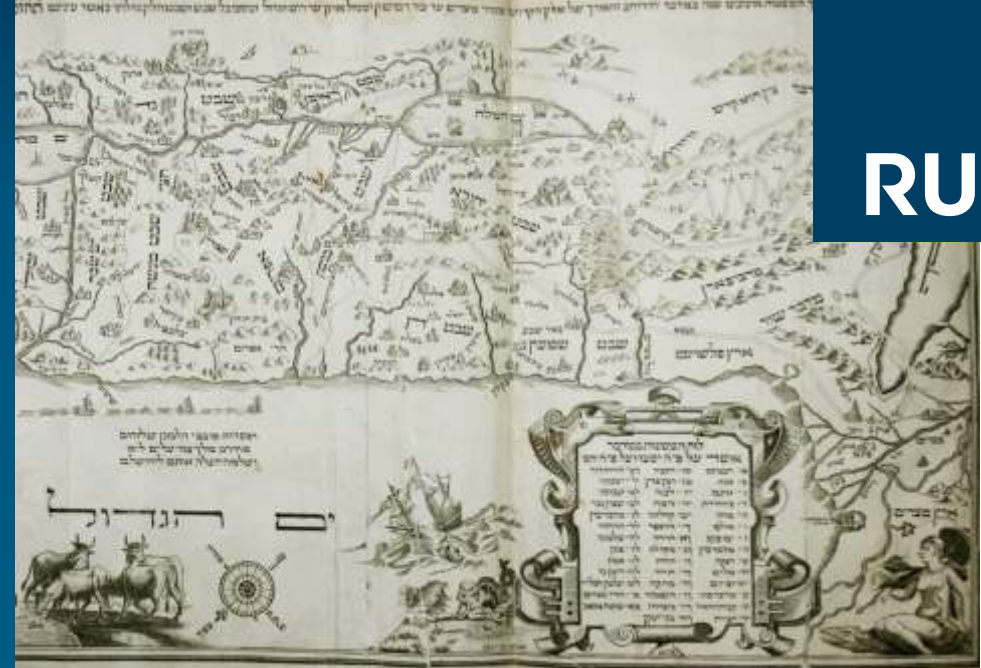
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THE TEN LOST TRIBES

27 & 28 March 2017 | CERES Conference Room *Ruhrpott*

Conveners:

Alexandra Cuffel & Adam Knobler

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THE TEN LOST TRIBES

The workshop is part of the joint research project *The Ten Lost Tribes: Cross-Cultural Perspective*, sponsored by the German-Israel Foundation (GIF).

It brings together scholars from Germany, the U.S. and Israel to uncover the ways in which Jewish, Christian, and Muslim beliefs about the so-called Ten lost Tribes of Jews were related, continued to evolve in dialogue with one another, and were used by various Jewish, Christian, and Muslim communities as a tool in their dealings with one another from antiquity to the present.

Monday, 27 March 2017

12:00 - 12:15 **Welcome Address**

Alexandra Cuffel (Bochum)

Session 1:

Chair: Adam Knobler (Bochum)

12:15 - 01:00 **On the Languages of the Lost Tribes**

Daniel Stein Kokin (Los Angeles/Greifswald)

01:00 - 02:00 **Lunch Break**

02:00 - 02:45 **Iggeret Orhot Olam in late Seventeenth-Century Oxford**

Zur Shalev (Haifa)

02:45 - 03:00 **Coffee Break**

03:00 - 03:45 **Eldad the Danite and the Acceptance of Beta Israel, from the 16th to the 20th Centuries**

Micha Perry (Haifa)

03:45 - 04:00 **Coffee Break**

04:00 - 05:00 **Session 2:**

Chair: Zur Shalev (Haifa)

Poetics of Time in Distant Spaces in the World of Eldad

Ossnat Sharon (Haifa)

Eschatology of the Tribes at the Crossroads of Judaism and Christianity: Continuities and Changes between the Middle Ages and Modernity

Marco Giardini (Ferrara)

06:30 **Dinner**

Tuesday, 28 March 2017

10:00 - 11:00 **Session 3**

Chair: Micha Perry (Haifa)

Mingling Mythologies in Stories about the Ten Lost Tribes

Moti Benmelech (Haifa)

The Enlightenment, speculative History and the Lost Tribes

Tudor Parfitt (Miami)

11:00 - 11:15 **Coffee Break**

11:15 - 12:15 **Session 4**

Chair: Felicitas Schneider (Hagen)

Reading the Shingly Myth in the Context of the Age of Discoveries

Ophira Gamliel (Bochum)

From Doomsday Prophecies to Speculations on Origins and Race

Rotem Kower (Haifa)

12:15 - 12:30 **Coffee Break**

12:30 - 01:30 **Session 5**

Chair: Daniel Stein Kokin (Los Angeles/Greifswald)

Rabbi Moses Ederhy of Morocco (19th c.) and his Works on the Ten Lost Tribes

Paul Fenton (Paris)

The Battlefields of the „Ten Tribes“ in Ethiopia: An Examination of Sources and Suggestions for Future Fieldwork

Bar Kribus (Jerusalem)

01:30 - 02:30 **Lunch Break**

02:30 - 03:30 **Conclusions and General Discussion**

Chair: Alexandra Cuffel (Bochum)

03:30 - 05:00 **Board Meeting**

Alexandra Cuffel, Adam Knobler (Bochum)

Daniel Stein Kokin (Los Angeles/Greifswald)

Micha Perry, Moti Benmelech, Zur Shalev (Haifa)