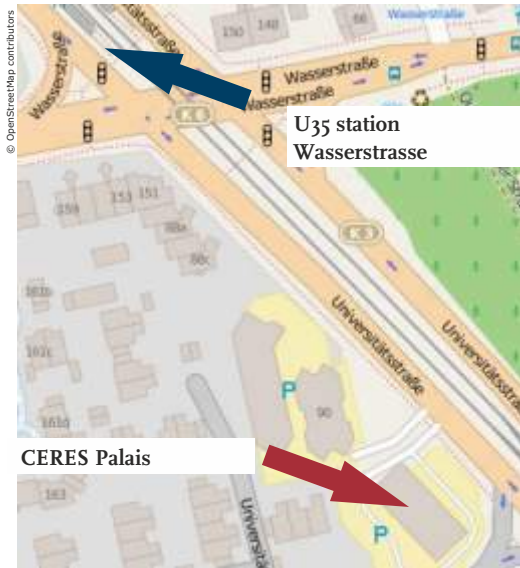


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Thursday, 18 May 2017

- 09:30 - 09:45 **Welcome Address & Introduction**
Eviatar Shulman (Jerusalem) & Carmen Meinert (Bochum)
- 09:45 - 11:30 **Session 1: Creative Interpretation**
Chair: Christian Frevel (Bochum)
- Traditional Innovations or Innovative Traditions in the Religions of Ancient Mesopotamia: The Case of Akkadian Commentaries**
Uri Gabbay (Jerusalem)
- Books, Letters, and Missions: Three Versions of 'Tradition' in Late-Antique Western Manichaeism**
Eduard Iricinshi (Bochum)
- 11:30 - 11:45 **Coffee & Tea Break**
- 11:45 - 01:00 **Session 2: Identity and Tradition Building**
Chair: Volkhard Krech (Bochum)
- Tradition and Identity**
Knut Stünkel (Bochum)
- Tradition Building in the Zhuangzi?**
Licia Di Giacinto (Bochum)
- 01:00 - 02:00 **Lunch**
- 02:00 - 03:45 **Session 3: Living Traditions**
Chair: Alexandra Cuffel (Bochum)
- Mapping Dynamic Religious Identity: Practice, Familiarity, and the Religious Repertoire Model**
Yonatan Nissim Gez (Jerusalem)
- Translating Tradition – Brahmins, Patrons and Stolen Sweets**
Ophira Gamliel (Bochum)
- 03:45 - 04:15 **Coffee & Tea Break**
- 04:15 - 06:00 **Session 4: Degrees of Reflexivity**
Chair: Nili Wazana (Jerusalem)
- Purity and Impurity in Qumran and in Qirqisānī's Kitāb al-Anwār wal-Marāqib**
Naphtali Meshel (Jerusalem)
- Cases of Inner Biblical Interpretation and the Reflexivity of Tradition**
Christian Frevel (Bochum)
- 07:00 **Dinner**

Friday, 19 May 2017

- 09:30 - 11:15 **Session 5: Foundational Narratives**
Chair: Carmen Meinert (Bochum)
- Biblical Stories of Foundation: Between Sanctification of Place and Sanctification of Text**
Nili Wazana (Jerusalem)
- Stories (lo rgyus) in Tibetan Buddhist Religious Histories as Means of Tradition Building: The Example of the 'Bri gung bKa' brgyud pa**
Jan-Ulrich Sobisch (Erlangen)
- 11:15 - 11:30 **Coffee & Tea Break**
- 11:30 - 01:15 **Session 6: Imagination**
Chair: Uri Gabbay (Jerusalem)
- The Tradition of Holy War in the Modern Era: Crusading and the Invented Past**
Adam Knobler (Bochum)
- Recollection of the Buddha as the Gravitational Center of Buddhism**
Eviatar Shulman (Jerusalem)
- 01:15 - 02:15 **Lunch**
- 02:15 - 04:00 **Session 7: Art and Transcendence**
Chair: Kianoosh Rezaia (Bochum)
- Whose Katabasis, Gyges, Georgios or Jirjis? Variations on the Theme of Descent**
Donna Shalev (Jerusalem)
- Mystic 'Rites of Passage'**
Taufik Deadlee (Jerusalem)
- 04:00 - 04:30 **Coffee & Tea Break**
- 04:30 - 05:30 **Final Discussion**
Chair: Eviatar Shulman (Jerusalem)
Respondent: Naphtali Meshel (Jerusalem)

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