

Religious Expatriation

When significant groups of people are moved to exile due to their religious beliefs, consequences affect all parties and areas involved. This workshop aims at providing a comparative understanding of the conditions and developments of such movements.

We will address several questions concerning the effects on the community that receives the emigrants, the void created in the places of origin, and the representations created by the members of the diasporic community of their own spiritual and physical journey.

Organisation

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15th century German Haggadah shows Moses leading the children of Israel across the Red Sea

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| 09.00 h | Introduction |
| 09.15 h | Mozarabic Migrations to the Iberian Latin Kingdoms: Problems and Methods of Analysis
<i>Cyrille Aillet</i> (Lyon) |
| 10.00 h | The Emigration of the Armenians into Byzantine Territory in the 11th–12th Centuries
<i>Zara Pogossian</i> (Bochum/ Rome) |
| 10.45 h | Coffee Break |
| 11.15 h | The Peoples of the Avestas, the Vedas, and the Bible as Religious Expatriates
<i>Christopher Beckwith</i> (Bochum/ Bloomington, Indiana, USA) |
| 12.00 h | Zoroastrian Diaspora in India in a Comparative Perspective
<i>Alan Williams</i> (Manchester) |
| 12.45 h | Lunch |
| 14.30 h | Return to <i>dar al-islam</i> or Exile from Home? The Ambiguous Religious Experiences of Moriscos Expelled from Spain after 1609
<i>Gerard Wiegers</i> (Amsterdam) |
| 15.15 h | Guess Who's Coming to (Shabbes) Dinner? Or, When Good Diasporas Go Bad
<i>Adam Knobler</i> (Bochum/ Ewing, New Jersey, USA) |
| 16.00 h | Coffee Break |
| 16.30 h | Final Discussion: Religious Expatriation, Diasporas and Exile |
| 17.30 h | Conclusions |

DIRECTIONS

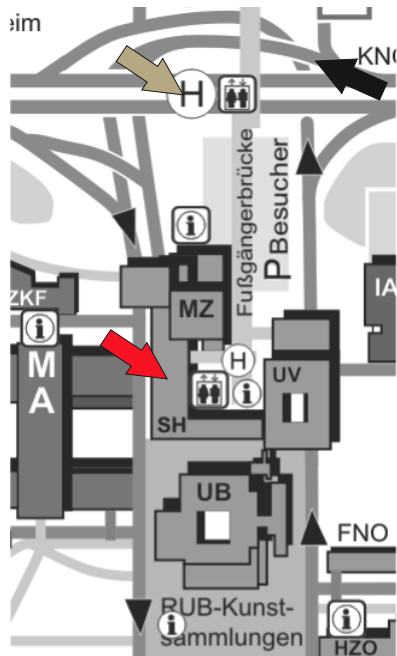
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From Düsseldorf Airport via, or directly from, Bochum Hauptbahnhof (Central Station) take the U35 towards Bochum Querenburg (Hustadt) and get off at stop »Ruhr-Universität« (➡) (Ticket needed: Preisstufe A).

At the exit to the station turn right and walk about 100 m. Enter the Studierendenhaus (SH) building on your right (under sign for »Kulturcafé«). Go up one flight of stairs and follow signs to KHK »Dynamics in the History of Religions«.

By car:

Motorway A 43, interchange »Bochum-Witten«, exit at »Bochum-Querenburg/Universität« (exit no. 19). Universitätsstraße direction Universität/Zentrum, exit at »Uni - Mitte« (➡), about 2 km. Free parking is sign posted.



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