



Civilizations of Knowledge: Critical Reflections

A Conference in Memoriam of Bert Cohn

11 June

Room 496, Gilman Building, 4th floor

14:00 – 15:30 **Civilizations: The Universal and the Particular**

Chair: Rivka Feldhay

Ido Yavetz: Making the Obscure Visible

Falko Schmider: Civilizations and Their Conceptual Discontent

Raef Zreik: The Question of the Universal: Said and Fanon

15:30 – 16:00 **Short Break**

16:00 – 17:30 **Islamic Civilization as a Response to Modernity**

Chair: Yusri Khaizran

Wael Abu-'Uksa: Arabic Language of Modernity from Conceptual Perspective: The Formative Years 1820-1860

Miri Shefer-Mossensohn: The History of the Concept of *'ilm* ("Knowledge"): Modernity, Changes, Continuities

Zahiye Kundos: Islamic Civilization and its Hermeneutical Discontent - al-Āfghānī and 'Abduh's Concept of *madaniyyah*

17:30 – 18:00 **Coffee Break**

18:00 – 20:00 **Keynote Lecture**

Greetings: Leo Corry, Dean, Faculty of Humanities

In Memoriam of Bert Cohn: Galen Guengerich

Robert Morrison: Science, Islamic Societies, and the Italian Renaissance

Chair: Israel Gershoni

Commentator: Ahmad Igbaria

12 June

Room 205, Trubowicz Building, Faculty of Law

9:00 – 10:30 **Jewish Civilization and its Exchanges with Islamic and Christian Worlds**

Chair: Maram Masarwi

Menachem Fisch: Talmudic Judaism's Non-Socratic Dialogue of Civilizations

Menachem Lorberbaum: The Language of Power: Maimonides' Onto-theological Model

David Sorotzkin: The Transformation of Jewish Civilization in Christendom in the High and Late Middle Ages: Religion, Ethnicity and Social Engineering

10:30 – 10:45 **Coffee Break**

10:45 – 12:15 **Christian Civilization**

Chair: Shaul Katzir

Yossef Schwartz: Different Models of Encounter with Foreign Knowledge in Christian Culture

Raz Chen Morris: Western Ocularcentrism reconsidered

Barbara U. Meyer: The Problems of Sharing Knowledge and Memory in Christian Civilization

12:15 – 13:45 **Lunch Break**

13:45 – 14:15 **Theatrical Intervention**

Amer Hlehel: "Winter of Our Discontent"

14:15 – 15:45 : **Round Table**

The Concept of Civilization: Critical Reflections

José Brunner (chair and discussant), Haim Hazan, Eva Jablonka, Gadi Algazi

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