## Hebrew and Jewish Studies Unit THE DAVID PATTERSON SEMINARS (REVISED 29.3.11) Week 1: 4 May **Professor Gerald Blidstein** (Ben-Gurion University) Rabbinic Authority and Popular Consensus Week 2: 11 May **Professor Siegbert Prawer** (The Queen's College) Moyshe Kulbak's Byronic Pilgrimage: The Creation of a Yiddish Masterpiece Week 3: 18 May Dr Diana Lipton (King's College London) Time heals and sleep's the best remedy: Testing platitudes with Noah the ark-builder and Honi the circle-drawer Week 4: 25 May Dr Deborah Rooke (Regent's Park College) Between London and Amsterdam: Handel's Esther as 18<sup>th</sup> century Purimspiel Week 5: 1 June **Professor Marina Rustow** (Johns Hopkins University/OCHJS) The Iberian Jewish model of the 'royal alliance' as seen from the Cairo Geniza Week 6: 8 June NO LECTURE THIS WEEK Week 7: 15 June **Professor Shamma Friedman** (Schechter Institute, Jerusalem/OCHJS) Maimonides' First Draft of the Mishne Torah: the Bodleian Quire Week 8: 22 June **Professor Benny Morris** (Ben-Gurion University/OCHIS) Two Genocides, Shared Characteristics and Differences \_\_\_\_\_ The Seminars are held at the Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies

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Light buffet from 7pm

All are welcome

THE OCHJS MINIBUS WILL DEPART FROM THE PLAYHOUSE, BEAUMONT STREET AT **6.30PM** AND **7.30PM** AND LEAVE YARNTON MANOR AT **9.30PM**. SINGLE FARE £2.10 (STUDENTS MAY TRAVEL FREE ON PRODUCTION OF THEIR UNIVERSITY CARD).