Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies

EUROPEAN SEMINAR ON ADVANCED JEWISH STUDIES

# Reading Hebrew and Jewish Texts in Early Modern Europe



# Conference at All Souls College, Oxford

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# 29-30 June 2010

#### **Tuesday 29 June**

9.55 Opening remarks: Joanna Weinberg

10.00- 10.40 am

**Nurit Pasternak**: Testimonies of Hebrew Studies in 15<sup>th</sup> century Florence before Pico della Mirandola

10.40-11.20 am Andrew Berns: Theologians, Naturalists and Hebraism in sixteenth-century Italy

## **COFFEE BREAK**

*Chair : Martin Goodman* 11.45 -12.25 pm **Eleazar Gutwirth**: Reading Jewish History in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries

12.25 -1.05 pm William Horbury: Jean Thenaud and Pietro Galatino on the Talmud and Toledot Jeshu

## LUNCH

#### Chair: Noel Malcolm

2.30 -3.10 pm Alessandro Guetta: Jewish and Christian Translations of the Hebrew Bible in early modern Italy- reciprocity and influence

3.10-3.50 pm

**Scott Mandelbrote**: A Jewish text and its Christian Readers: the Authorship and Status of the Septuagint in early modern Europe

#### 3.50 -4.30 pm

**Elchanan Reiner**: "No Jew may study anything but the Talmud": The Talmud and the Bible as two competing Options in sixteenth-century Ashkenazic Culture

# Chair: Scott Mandelbrote

5.00-5.40 pm

**Theodor Dunkelgrün**: Drusius, Scaliger, Buxtorf and the humanist Discovery of Hebrew Epistolography

# 5.40 -6.20 pm

**Michela Andreatta**: Judaic Antiquarianism and the Collecting of Hebrew Epitaphs in the early modern Age

6.30 pm DRINKS 7.30 pm DINNER

#### Wednesday 30 June

Chair: Mordechai Feingold 9.00-9.40 am Joseph Hacker: Collecting Hebrew Manuscripts and Printed Books from the Ottoman Empire in

seventeenth-century France and England

#### 9.40-10.10 am

**Piet van Boxel**: Hebrew Books and Censorship in sixteenth-century Italy

#### 10.10-10.50 am

**Federica Francesconi**: The new Italian Inquisition at Work: Hunting, Reading, and Censoring Jewish Books in the sixteenth and seventeenth Centuries

# **COFFEE BREAK**

Chair: Anthony Grafton 11.20 -12.00 noon Yosef Kaplan: Some Spanish Readings by early modern Sephardi Jews

12-12.30 pm Concluding Remarks: Anthony Grafton

## 12.45pm LUNCH