Exodus or Exile?: The Departure of Jews from Muslim Countries, 1948-1978

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Whitney Humanities Center, 53 Wall St.
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9-9:30  Breakfast
9:30-9:45  Opening Remarks

9:45-11:15  Jews, Arabs, and the Middle East

Chair:  Alan Mikhail, Yale University

Aomar Boum, University of Arizona
“Propaganda in Translation: North African Muslims Respond to Racial Nazi Policies during the 1930s and Early 1940s”

Georges Bensoussan, Mémorial de la Shoah
“Hostages to the Palestine Conflict: Jews in Arab Countries in the 1930s”

Yaron Tsur, Tel Aviv University
“Aliya from Arab Countries to Fledgling Israel, 1948-1951: What Can it Teach Us?”

11:15-11:30  Coffee Break

11:30- 1  Jews of North Africa: Dilemmas of Identity

Chair:  Alice Kaplan, Yale University

Ethan Katz, University of Cincinnati
“When Exodus and Exile Become One: How Decolonization Fused the Two Strands of the North-African Jewish Historical Imagination”

Todd Shepard, Johns Hopkins University
“To Choose France: Algeria’s Jews and the Triumph of Franco-Judaism”
Maud Mandel, Brown University

2:00-3:00 Jews of North Africa: The Politics of Migration

Chair: Seyla Benhabib, Yale University

Daniel Schroeter, University of Minnesota
“Interpeting the Emigration of Moroccan Jews”

Martin Messika, Paris I/UQAM
"Migration within the Diaspora : North American Jewish Organizations’ Policies in North Africa"

3:00-3:15 Coffee Break

3:15-4:45 Migration, Diaspora, and Muslim-Jewish Relations

Chair: Francesca Trivellato, Yale University

Esther Meir-Glitzenstein, Ben-Gurion University
“From Emigration to Expulsion: The Exodus of Iraqi Jews, 1950-1951”

Daniel Tsadik, Yeshiva University
“Leaving Home? Notes on Iranian Jews’ Immigration from Iran”

Aron Rodrigue, Stanford University
“Jews in Modern Turkey: A Troubled History?”

4:45-6:00 Reception

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