Anti-Semitism in Comparative Perspective: Recent Trends and Research Frontiers

The Lowe Family Research Workshop
online via Zoom | jewishstudies.asu.edu/lowe
7:50 a.m.– 4 p.m. (MST)
morning sessions | 7:50 a.m.–12 p.m. (MST)

7:50 a.m.  welcome

8 – 9 a.m.  The Jew In the Central European Imagination
Hana Kubatova, PhD | Charles University
Prague, Czech Republic
related work “The Jew in Czech and Slovak Imagination, 1938-89 Antisemitism, the Holocaust, and Zionism” Hana Kubatova and Lanicek
discussant
Anna Cichopec-Gajraj | Arizona State University

9 – 10 a.m.  Middlemen Minorities and Pogroms in the Russian Empire
Ekaterina Zhuravskaya, PhD | Paris School of Economics (EHESS)
Paris, France
discussant
Eugene Finkel | Johns Hopkins University

10 – 11 a.m.  Anti-Semitism on Universities in the U.S.: A View from the Student Body
Jeffrey Kopstein | University of California, Irvine
discussant
Devorah Manekin | Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Jerusalem, Israel

11 a.m. – Contemporary Left Anti-Semitism

12 p.m.  David Hirsh | Goldsmiths, University of London
London, England
related work David Hirsch, 2017 Contemporary Left Antisemitism Routledge; ‘Left anti-Zionism’ in Charles Small Ed Antisemitism in Comparative Perspective, 2006, Yale, Yale University Press; ‘The Smart Way to Fight British Antisemitism’ Jerusalem Post, November 1, 2005
discussant
Daniel Stein Kokin, PhD | independent scholar
afternoon sessions | 12–3 p.m. (MST)

12 – 1 p.m. break

1 – 2 p.m. Anti-Semitism in Germany in the Time of Pandemic
Petra Guasti, PhD | Goethe University Frankfurt
Frankfurt, Germany


discussant
Sara Wallace Goodman, PhD | University of California, Irvine

2 – 3 p.m. Explaining Ethnoreligious Minority Targeting: Variation in U.S. Anti-Semitic Events
Ayal Feinberg, PhD | Texas A&M University-Commerce


discussant
Kyriaki Topidi, Dr habil. | European Centre for Minority Issues (Germany)
Flensburg, Germany

3 – 4 p.m. concluding discussion:
anti-Semitism and social unrest in the U.S. today

summary of the day

closing remarks
Recent years have witnessed a dramatic rise in anti-Semitic incidents and the growth of anti-Semitic attitudes around the world. **New research estimates more than a quarter of the world—1.09 billion people out of more than 4.1 billion people surveyed—harbors anti-Semitic attitudes.** This workshop—organized by David Siroky and Lenka Bustikova of the School of Politics and Global Studies at Arizona State University—brings together leading scholars from around the globe to discuss the frontiers in the study of anti-Semitism and to debate critical factors that influence where and when ethnoreligious groups, and Jews in particular, are likely to be targeted and viewed with prejudice.

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