EAJS Summer Laboratory
for Young Genizah Researchers
and those Interested in the Field

Conveners:
Judith Olszowy-Schlanger (EPHE Paris),
Ben Outhwaite (Genizah Research Unit Cambridge)
Ronny Vollandt (LMU Munich)

Organizer:
Friederike Schmidt (LMU Munich)

Venue:
Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, München
Professor-Huber-Platz 2
Lehrturm W401

Participants:

Wednesday, 6th September

9.00 - 10.00  Judith Olszowy-Schlanger – Ben Outhwaite – Ronny Vollandt
Welcome and Introduction

10.00 - 10.30  Coffee Break

10.30-12.30  Estara J. Arrant
“The Features of ‘Popular’ Bible Codex Fragments from the Cairo Genizah.”
Michael Rand
“A Quick Introduction to Genizah Piyyut.”
Jérémie Allouche
“Going to Work in the Cairo Geniza: Surveying the Wage-Earners Conditions of Work.”
Alan Elbaum
“Representations of Illness and Somatic Distress in Genizah Letters.”
12.30 - 13.00 Lunch (Veterinärstr. 1, Institute of Near and Middle Eastern Studies, Room 009)

14.00 - 16.00 Sacha Stern
“Calendars and Calendar Texts in the Cairo Genizah”
Helen Jacobus
“The Palestinian Triennial Cycle and the Zodiac Calendars in the Dead Sea Scrolls”
Wissem Gueddich
“Writing Legal Deeds in the Jewish Court: from the Scribe Draft to the Court Archive.”
Neri Ariel
“Unveiling Reconstructed Halakhic Genre: New Horizons, Contributions and Ramifications of Genizah Research”

16.30 - 17.00 Coffee Break

17.00 - 18.00 Gregor Schwarb

19.00 Keynote:
Eve Krakowski
“Jewish Law in Practice: Genizah Legal Documents as Historical Records.”

Thursday, 7th September

9.00 - 10.00 Dotan Arad
“The Late Genizah: Historical Background and Main Characters.”
Lenka Uličná
“Genizah studies: Inspirations for processing of local European Genizot.”

10.00 - 10.30 Coffee Break

10.30 - 12.30 Rebekka Denz & Gabi Rudolf
“What to do with these snips? Experiences from the work with Genisot from Franconia.”
Emma Abate
“‘How to summon the spirits’. Instructions and manuscript tradition.”
Renate Smithuis
“Fifteen Thousand Fragments at Your Fingertips: The Genizah Collection at the John Rylands Library, Manchester.”

Short Presentations: Friederike Schmidt, Nathan Gibson, Peter Tarras, Corrado la Martire

12.30 - 13.00 Lunch (Veterinärstr. 1, Institute of Near and Middle Eastern Studies, Room 009)
14.00 - 16.00  Zina Cohen  
"Analysis on Writing Materials of Genizah Fragments written during the First Half of the XIth Century."
Alexandra Pleşa
"Owning Dress in Late Antique and early Islamic Egypt: Identifying Large-Scale Patterns of Dress Use through a Quantitative Study of Greek and Arabic Documentary texts."
Monika Amsler
"Nomina Sacra and Other Observations on the Manuscript of the (so called) 8th Book of Moses (PGM XIII/ Leiden I 395)."

Short Presentations: Meir Bar Maymon, Saskia Dönitz, Sebastian Metz

16.30 - 17.00  Coffee Break

17.00 - 18.00  Round-Table

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