

FROM QING TO CHINA:

RETHINKING THE INTERPLAY OF TRADITION AND MODERNITY, 1860-1949

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PROGRAM



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Sunday, 20 May 2012

09:00-09:30: Coffee and Registration

09:30-11:30: **Panel#1: China and the World**

- Opening Remarks: Ori Sela (Tel Aviv University)
- Chair: Aron Shai (Tel Aviv University), Discussant: Joanna Waley-Cohen (NYU)

Participants:

- Joshua Fogel (York University): "Toponyms and Coming of Age in China: From Qing to "China," Literally"
- Zvi Ben-Dor Benite (NYU): "How and Why did Muhammad 'Abduh come to China: Education, "Theology," and "Philosophy," from the Empire to the Republic"

11:45-13:00:

**SESSION IN HONOR OF PROFESSOR ARON SHAI, RECTOR AND THE SHOUL N. EISENBERG CHAIR
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MARKING HIS 40TH YEAR AS HISTORIAN OF CHINA AND THE INTERNATIONAL ARENA

- **Greetings:**
- Joseph Klafter, President, Tel Aviv University
- Ben-Ami Shillony, Professor Emeritus, Hebrew University
- Asaf Goldschmidt, Chair of the Department of East Asian Studies, Tel Aviv University

- **Opening Address:**

Aron Shai (Rector, Tel Aviv University):
"Le Rêve Chinois: from Imperial Subjugation to Hubris?"

13:15-14:15: Lunch

14:15-16:15: Panel#2: Law and Society

- Chair: Assaf Likhovski (Tel-Aviv University), Discussant: Madeleine Zelin (Columbia University)

Participants:

- Janet Chen (Princeton University): "Beggars and Vagrants from Qing to China: Law and Morality in the Early Twentieth Century"
- Eugenia Lean (Columbia University): "Marking and Copying from Qing to China: Late Imperial Copy Culture in Trademark Infringement Cases of the Early Twentieth-century China"

16:30-18:30: Panel#3: Print Culture

- Chair and Discussant: Joan Judge (York University)

Participants:

- Cynthia Brokaw (Brown): "The Persistence of "Tradition" in the Modern Chinese Print Culture"
- Natascha Gentz (The University of Edinburgh): "Revisiting the "New" and "Foreign" in Late Qing Chinese Journalism"

19:30: Dinner

Monday, 21 May 2012

09:00-11:00: Panel#4: Science and Technology

- Chair: Ido Yavetz (Tel Aviv University), Discussant: Benjamin A. Elman (Princeton University)

Participants:

- Fa-Ti Fan (Binghamton, SUNY): "Circulating Material Objects: the International Controversy over Antiquities and Fossils in Twentieth-Century China"
- Dagmar Schaefer (The University of Manchester): "Designs of Empire: Samples, sketches and scaled models at the Qing Court"

11:15-13:15: Panel#5: Medicine

- Chair and Discussant: Asaf Goldschmidt (Tel Aviv University)

Participants:

- Ruth Rogaski (Vanderbilt): "A "Universal" Revolution? Qi-Based Cosmology and 1911"
- Sean H-L Lei (Academia Sinica): "Qi-Transformation and the Steam Engine: Visualizing the Body and Characterizing Chinese Medicine, 1880s-1920s"

13:15-14:45: Lunch

14:45-16:45: Panel#6: Intellectual History

- Chair: Zvi Ben-Dor Benite (NYU), Discussant: Paul A. Cohen (Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies, Harvard University)

Participants:

- Joachim Kurtz (University of Heidelberg): "Reasoning for a New Nation: Yan Fu, Zhang Shizhao, and the Emergence of a "Logical Style" in Early Twentieth-century China"
- Joan Judge (York University): "The Early Republican Information Regime: *Wanbao quanshu* 萬寶全書 (Complete Compendia of Countless Treasures) in the New Global Order"
- Ori Sela (Tel Aviv University): "To Feel at Home in the Modern World: Turn of the Twentieth-Century Chinese Historiography and Qing (1644-1911) Intellectual History"

17:00-18:30: Round Table

- Chair: Ori Sela (Tel Aviv University)

Discussants:

- Yitzhak Shichor (Hebrew University and Haifa University)
- Shakhar Rahav (Haifa University)
- Conference participants

19:30: Dinner

Tuesday, 22 May 2012

09:00-11:00: Panel#7: Medical Institutions

- Chair and Discussant: Miri Shefer-Mossensohn (Tel Aviv University)

Participants:

- Asaf Goldschmidt (Tel Aviv University): "Imperial, Local, Modern, and Traditional? The Characteristics of the Public Pharmacy (惠民藥局) during the Southern Song and Yuan"
- Marta Hanson (Johns Hopkins University): "Between the Imperial and the Local: Traces of Chinese Medical Institutions during the Long Nineteenth Century"

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