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The Tager International Conference Feminism in the Abrahamic Religions:

Dilemmas of Gender and Law from a Multicultural Perspective

In conjunction with The Virtual Exhibition **'Body Text': Feminist Art in Diverse Religio-Cultural Spheres in Israel**
The conference and the exhibition were made possible through the generosity of **Esther and Romie Tager, (QC), London**

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Fatma Abu Roumi, My Mother's Braid, 2009
'Body Text' Virtual Exhibition

Sunday, January 31

16:00 - 16:30 Israel Standard Time - IST

14:00 - 14:30 UK, Western European Time - UTC; 15:00 - 15:30 Central Europe Time - CET; 09:00 - 09:30 US Eastern Standard Time - EST; 21:00 - 21:30 Western Indonesian Time - WIB

Greetings and Introductory Remarks

Arie Zaban, President of Bar-Ilan University

Esther Tager, London

Ruth Halperin-Kaddari, Academic Director of the Rackman Center, Faculty of Law, Bar-Ilan University

Rivka Tuval Mashiach, Head of the Gender Studies Program, Bar-Ilan University

Ora Limor, Center for the Study of Relations between Jews, Christians, and Muslims, The Open University of Israel

16:30-18:00 IST Public Session 1 Feminism in the Abrahamic Religions: The Founding Mothers

Keynote presentations

Chairs: Ruth Halperin-Kaddari; Ronit Irshai, Bar-Ilan University

Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard Divinity School
Christian Perspective

Tamar Ross, Department of Jewish Thought, Bar-Ilan University
Jewish Perspective

amina wadud, National Islamic University
Muslim Perspective

Discussion

18:00-19:00 IST Public Session 2 Opening of the virtual exhibition **"Body Text': Feminist Art in Diverse Religio-Cultural Spheres in Israel"** curated by Nurit Jacobs-Yinon and David Sperber

Chair: Ronit Irshai, Bar-Ilan University

Discussion:

Nurit Jacobs-Yinon, Curator

Andi Arnovitz, Artist

Doris Hakim, Artist

Yara Mahajena, Artist

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Monday, February 1

16:00 - 17:30 Israel Standard Time – IST (14:00-15:30 – UTC; 15:00-16:30 – CET; 09:00-10:30 – EST; 21:00-22:30 – WIB)

16:00-17:30 IST

Workshop 1

Feminist Theological Challenges to Religion

Chair: Avriel Bar-Levav, Open University

Presenters:

Hille Haker, Loyola University Chicago

The “Obscenity” of Feminist Voices in Christian/Catholic Theology and the Duty to Speak

Lisa Isherwood, University of Winchester

Monotheism and Ethics from the Margins

Hagar Lahav, Sapir Academic College

Belief as a Feminist Haven: Theological Perspectives in Sociology of Belief

Respondent:

Barbara U. Meyer, Tel Aviv University

17:45-19:45 IST

Workshop 2

Multiculturalism, Religion, Gender, and Law – Part I

Chair: Michael Karayanni, Hebrew University

Presenters:

Lisa Fishbayn Joffe, Brandeis University

Exit, Voice, and Effective Remedies for Women Disadvantaged by Minority Religious Practices

Jan Feldman, University of Vermont

Public Purposes at Cross-Purposes: Can Segregation Lead to Integration? What We Can Learn from Israel

Yofi Tirosh, Tel Aviv University

Women, Religion, and Public Spaces in Israel: Contemporary Challenges

Frances Raday, Hebrew University

Religion, Culture, and Gender - Current Developments in International Human Rights

Respondent:

Gila Stopler, College of Law and Business

20:00-21:30 IST

Public Session 3

Keynote Presentation by The Right Hon. the Baroness (Brenda) Hale of Richmond, former President of the United Kingdom Supreme Court: Legal Dilemmas in Religious Feminism: A View from the Bench

Greetings

Amnon Albek, Rector of Bar-Ilan University

Oren Perez, Dean of the Faculty of Law, Bar-Ilan University

Romie Tager, London

Chair: Ruth Halperin-Kaddari, Bar-Ilan University

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Tuesday, February 2

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Workshop 3

Obstacles, Barriers, and Solutions in Feminist Religious Hermeneutics

Chair: Ruth Roded, Hebrew University

Presenters:

Debra Majeed, Beloit College

To Privilege State or Religious Law?

Lisa Anteby-Yemini, Aix-Marseille University

Negotiating Gender and Religion: Exegesis, Space of Worship, and Religious Functions among Jewish and Muslim Women

Mira Tzoreff, Tel Aviv University

Islamic Feminism From Within: Egyptian and Saudi Women Heading an Evolutionary Gender Revolution

Nahed Ashqar-Sharary, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

The Challenges of Islamic Feminism (Al-nesweya Al-islameya) among Muslim Women in Israel

Respondent:

Sarab Abu-Rabia-Queder, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

17:45 -19:45 IST

Workshop 4

Multiculturalism, Religion, Gender, and Law – Part II

Chair: Manal Totry-Jubran, Bar-Ilan University

Presenters:

Salwa Alenat, The Open University

Two or More Faces of the Same Coin: The Struggle of Religious Muslim Women for their Identity in a Complex Israeli Reality

Cochav Elkayam-Levy, Bar-Ilan University

Re-imagining the Rules – The Global Transition to Transformative Equality and the Narratives of Feminist Religious Movements

Rawia Aburabia, Sapir Academic College

The Law on the Books Versus the Law in Action: Muslim Women in a Polygamous Marriage under the Jewish State

Elisheva Rosman, Bar-Ilan University

Choosing Battles: Religious Feminists' Expectations vis-à-vis the State

Respondent:

Tanya Zion-Waldoks, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Closing Remarks

Ruth Halperin-Kaddari and Ronit Irshai

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