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“The Texts of the Bible from the Dead Sea Scrolls to the Biblical Manuscripts of
the Vienna Papyrus Collection”
April 10–13, 2016

Sunday, April 10 (Beit Maiersdorf, Mount Scopus)
15:15 Registration
16:00 Session I. Chair: Prof. Baruch J. Schwartz, Hebrew University

- Prof. Alexander Rofé
  Hebrew University
  “Midrashic Elements in Biblical Texts”

- Dr. Jonathan Ben-Dov
  University of Haifa
  “The Textual Variants in Deuteronomy 32 and the Sectarian Debate”

17:30–18:00 Coffee Break
18:00 Opening Ceremony
Chair: Prof. Michael Segal, Head, Orion Academic Committee, Hebrew University
Greetings:

- Prof. Oded Irshai, Head of the Mandel Institute for Jewish Studies, Hebrew University
- His Excellency Martin Weiss, Austrian Ambassador
  Prof. Esther Chazon, Orion Center for the Study of the Dead Sea Scrolls and
  Associated Literature, Hebrew University; Prof. Armin Lange, University of Vienna;
  Dr. Paul Mandel, Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies

Keynote Lectures:

- Prof. Emanuel Tov
  Hebrew University
  “The Development of the Text of the Torah in Two Major Text Blocks”

- Prof. Dr. Bernhard Palme
  Institut für Alte Geschichte und Altertumskunde, Papyrologie und Epigraphik
  University of Vienna
  “The History of the Vienna Papyrus Collection and its Biblical Manuscripts”

20:00: Reception and Book Launch: *The Textual History of the Bible*, Volume 1

- Mr. Bas van der Mije, Brill Academic Publishers
- Prof. Armin Lange, University of Vienna
- Prof. Emanuel Tov, Hebrew University
Monday, April 11 (Rabin Building, Mount Scopus)

9:15 Session II. Chair: Prof. Devorah Dimant, University of Haifa
- Prof. Russell E. Fuller
  University of San Diego
  “Isaiah and the Twelve in Quotations and Allusions in Second Temple Period Writings: Textual History and Textual Reception”
- Prof. Armin Lange
  University of Vienna
  “Jeremiah in the Dead Sea Scrolls and Elsewhere: The Textual History of Jeremiah in Light of its Quotations”

10:40–11:00 Coffee Break
- Dr. David Frankel
  Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies
- Dr. Noam Mizrahi
  Tel-Aviv University
  “Linguistic Change, Textual Variation, and Exegetical Motivation: Exodus 12:9 according to 4Q11”

12:30–14:00 Lunch Break

14:00 Session III. Chair: Prof. Betsy Halpern-Amaru, Vassar College, Emerita
- Prof. Geoffrey Khan
  Cambridge University
  “The Karaites and the Biblical Text”
- Prof. Olivier Munnich
  University of Paris–Sorbonne
  “The Significance of the Greek Bible in Recent Debates on Early Judaism”

15:20–15:45 Coffee Break
- Dr. Guy Darshan
  Tel-Aviv University
  “1 Kings, 3 Kingdoms, and ‘Rewritten Bible’ Compositions from Qumran: A Reevaluation of the History of the Text”
- Dr. Pablo Torijano Morales
  Universidad Complutense de Madrid
  “The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Old Latin Text”

17:10–17:30 Coffee Break

17:30 Session IV. Chair: Prof. Armin Lange, University of Vienna
- Dr. Leeor Gottlieb
  Bar-Ilan University
  “Targumim and the Biblical Dead Sea Scrolls: Separate Versions, Shared Solutions”
- Dr. Ira Rabin
  BAM Federal Institute for Material Research and Testing, Berlin Centre for the Study of Manuscript Cultures, University of Hamburg
  “Continuities in Writing Materials from the Dead Sea Scrolls to Medieval Hebrew Manuscripts”
Tuesday, April 12 (Schechter Institute, Neve Shaanan)

9:15 Session V. Chair: Dr. Tamar Kadari, Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies

Greetings:
- Prof. Doron Bar, President, Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies
- Prof. David Golinkin, President Emeritus, Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies
- Prof. Moshe Benovitz
  Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies
  “The Opening Words of Greek Esther According to Yerushalmi Megillah 2:1 (73a)”
- Dr. Paul Mandel
  Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies
  “The Rise of Textuality in the Rabbinic Period”

10:50–11:15 Coffee Break

Chair: Dr. Paul Mandel, Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies
- Prof. Shamma Friedman
  Jewish Theological Seminary of America
  Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies
  “The Strange Journey of a Demonstrative Pronoun from the Judean Desert to the Babylonian Talmud”
- Prof. David Golinkin
  Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies
  “On the Biblical Verses Cited in the Babylonian Talmud”

12:40–14:00 Lunch Break

14:00 Session VI. Chair: Prof. Menahem Kister, Hebrew University
- Nancy Benovitz
  The Israel Museum, Jerusalem
  “The Rabbinic Shema in Greek on a Byzantine Armband”
- Dr. Noah Hacham
  Hebrew University
  “How Do We Identify Greek Jewish Biblical Papyri?”
- Prof. Michael Segal and Prof. Emanuel Tov
  Hebrew University
  “The Ein Gedi Leviticus(?) Scroll”
Wednesday, April 13 (Rabin Building, Mount Scopus)

9:15 Session VII. Chair: Prof. Esther Eshel, Bar-Ilan University
- Prof. Yosef Ofer
  Bar Ilan University
  “The Genesis Manuscripts from the Vienna Papyrus Collection”
- Dr. Ursula Schattner-Rieser
  University of Innsbruck
  Institute for Jewish History in Austria
  “The Vienna Biblical Fragments (Exod, Lev, Num) in Light of the Karaite Tradition, and their Relationship to the Dead Sea Scrolls and Jewish Halakhah”

10:40–11:00 Coffee Break
- Dr. Viktor Golinets
  Hochschule für Jüdische Studien, Heidelberg
  “Manuscripts of the Former and the Latter Prophets from the Vienna Papyrus Collection”
- Dr. Leeor Gottlieb
  Bar Ilan University
  “A Page from a Haftarah Book in the Vienna Papyrus Collection”

12:30–14:00 Lunch Break

14:00 Session VIII. Chair: Dr. Nili Wazana, Hebrew University
- Prof. Meira Polliack
  Tel-Aviv University
  “The Judeo-Arabic Biblical Manuscripts from the Vienna Papyrus Collection”
- Prof. Emanuel Tov
  Hebrew University
  “P. Vindob. G 39777 (Symmachus) and the Use of the Divine Names in Greek Scripture Texts”

15:20–15:45 Coffee Break
- Prof. Armin Lange
  University of Vienna
  “A Greek Jewish Biblical Manuscript from the Vienna Papyrus Collection?”
- Prof. Josef Oesch
  University of Innsbruck
  Institute for Jewish History in Austria
  “Ketuvim Manuscripts from the Vienna Papyrus Collection”
- Dr. Elodie Attia-Kay
  University of Heidelberg
  “Masoretic Tractates and Biblical Scribal Exercises in the Vienna Papyrus Collection”

17:10–17:30 Coffee Break

17:30 Concluding Round Table Discussion
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