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Revolutionizing the City: Urban Reality in the Wake of October 1917

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University of Amsterdam
(Valckenierstraat 65-67, 1018 XE Amsterdam;
Address: Roeterseilandcampus, building J/K, Room: 341.O 1.05 - REC JK1.05)



Leningrad, 1930s, Yakov Faivilovich (at the front, with a beard): a provincial Jew who made a rapid career under the Soviet regime. From the family archive of Maria Balakireva, presented at the exhibition "Jewish Family Heirlooms" (2010-2011) to St. Petersburg Judaica Center, European University at St. Petersburg.

JANUARY, 25

10:00 Keynote presentation: Ewa Bérard (French National Center of Scientific Research, Paris). From the Wandering Jew to Urban Migrations: Shtetl, Shtot and Metropolis.

12:00 Panel 1:

Semion Goldin (Hebrew University of Jerusalem). Cataclysm and Renewal: Jewish Population on the Frontline and at the Rear During World War I.

Anna Kushkova (Hebrew University of Jerusalem). “The Soviet Pale” around Moscow: Jewish Halfway to Urbanism, 1920-1930.

13:00 Lunch

14:00 Panel 2:

Rafi Tsirkin-Sadan (The Open University of Israel). From Periphery to Center and Back: Haim Lensky’s Leningrad Sonnets.

Marjanne Oosting (University of Amsterdam). Between Rome and Jerusalem: the town N. in Der Nister’s *The Family Mashber*.

Atinati Mamatsashvili (Ilia State University Tbilisi/NIAS). “The City without Jews”: an Imaginary City, an Imagined City.

16:30 Tour around Jewish Amsterdam

Dinner

JANUARY, 26

9:30 Visit to the International Institute for Social History

Panel 3:

12:00 Marcos Silber (University of Haifa). Centering the Periphery: Lodz and the Creation of the New Popular Culture (1912-1921).

Ewa Stanczyk (University of Amsterdam). Welcome to Nalewki Street: Satire, Cartoons, and Urban Life in Interwar Poland.

13:30 Lunch

14:30 Panel 4:

Irene Zwiep (University of Amsterdam). Restoring the City: Interbellum City Planning and the Construction of the Amsterdam ‘Ghetto’.

Bart Wallet (University of Amsterdam). Religious Dynamics and Urban Planning: Transforming Judaism in Interbellum Amsterdam.

16:30 Panel 5:

Avriel Bar-Levav (The Open University of Israel). A Jewish Library in the City: Identity and Cultural Ecology.

Eli Lederhendler (Hebrew University of Jerusalem). Separated by Common Origins: How Were Jews in America Affected by Events in Eastern Europe After 1917.

Dinner