

Call for Papers

You are cordially invited to participate in an International Conference entitled:

The Jewish Communities of Latin America

To take place on Monday-Thursday, 16-19 Ellul, 5772 (3-6 September, 2012)

The conference will take place at the University of São Paulo, Brazil
in cooperation with
Ashkelon Academic College

The Conference will cover a variety of topics, including:

- From the Old World to the New World: Migration to Latin America and settlement there
- Relations among the communities of Latin America, and with other Diaspora communities
- Religious texts in Hebrew and other languages
- Jewish education and maintaining Jewish identity
- Relations between Jews and the surrounding society
- Intellectual writings
- Jewish artists and Jewish art
- Leadership and community organization
- New research perspectives on the Jews of Latin America in general, and on individual communities in particular
- Economic life
- Rabbis and the Rabbinate
- Changes in the status of women
- Philanthropy
- Zionist activity and Aliya to Israel
- Jews in politics and social movements
- Youth movements

Researchers are invited to submit a proposal for a paper, accompanied by a one-page abstract. The abstract may be submitted in one of the following four languages: Hebrew/Spanish/English/Portuguese

Proposals on topics not listed above will also be considered.

Final date for proposal submission is Monday, 8 Iyar, 5772 (30/04/2012).

Proposals/abstracts should be sent to:

The Dahan Center for Culture, Society and Education in the Sephardic Heritage
Bar-Ilan University
Ramat Gan 52900 ISRAEL
E-mail: dahan.center@mail.biu.ac.il

Papers presented at the Conference will subsequently be published in a volume of proceedings, following academic review.

We look forward to seeing you among the Conference participants.

Sincerely,

The Conference Academic Committee:

Prof. Marta Topel, Co-Chairman, University of São Paulo, Brazil
Prof. Yaron Harel, Co-Chairman, Bar-Ilan University
Prof. Shimon Sharvit, Ashkelon Academic College
Prof. Eliana Langer, University of São Paulo, Brazil
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