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***Brandeis-Jindal Workshop
on Israel Studies***
at
**Jindal School of International Affairs
O.P. Jindal Global University, India**
in
Collaboration with
**Schusterman Center for Israel Studies
Brandeis University, USA**



DAY 1 & 2

Date:
Monday
9 December 2013

Tuesday
10 December 2013

Venue
T1, First Floor, Conference Hall
O. P. Jindal Global University
Sonipat Narela Road,
Sonipat, Haryana - 131001

Time
10:00 am - 6:00 pm

9:15 am - 4:30 pm

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INAUGURAL SESSION
10:00 am – 11:45 am

Welcome Remarks

10:00 am -10:15am

Professor C. Raj Kumar, Vice-Chancellor, O.P. Jindal Global University

Opening Remarks

10:15 am - 10:30 am

Professor Fred Lawrence, President, Brandeis University

10:30 am - 10:45 am

Liron Zaslansky, Counsellor, Political Affairs, Embassy of Israel

10:50 am - 11:20am

Keynote Lecture I: Israel Studies as a Field of Studies

Professor Ilan Troen, Stoll Family Chair in Israel Studies, Director, Schusterman Center for Israel Studies, Brandeis University

11:20 am -11:30 am

Respondent

Dr. Rohee Dasgupta, Associate Professor, Jindal School of International Affairs
Doing Israel Studies in India: As a Field of Geo-politics

Questions & Answers: 11:30 am - 11:45 am

Coffee Break: 11:45 am

Discussion Panel I
ISRAEL: RELIGION, STATE, SOCIETY
12:00 pm - 1:45 pm

Chair: Dr. Sreeram Chaulia, Professor and Dean, Jindal School of International Affairs

- **Professor Yehuda Mirsky**, Associate Professor, Schusterman Center for Israel Studies, Department of Near Eastern & Judaic Studies, Brandeis University
Religion, Politics and Nationalism: The Uneasy Marriage of Heaven and Earth
- **Dr. Rachel Fish**, Associate Director, Schusterman Center for Israel Studies, Brandeis University
Visions for the State of Israel: From Zionist to post-Zionist
- **Dr. Tomer Persico**, Lecturer, Department of Comparative Religion, Tel-Aviv University
Religion and State in Israel: Mapping the Ethnic Divide Since 1948

Lunch: 1:45 pm

Discussion Panel II
ISRAEL/PALESTINE CONFLICT: PAST AND FUTURE
2:45 pm - 4:30 pm

Chair: Dr. Samrat Sinha, Assistant Professor, Jindal School of International Affairs

- **Professor Ilan Troen**, Stoll Family Chair in Israel Studies, Director, Schusterman Center for Israel Studies, Brandeis University
The Role of Religion and Culture
- **Professor P.R. Kumaraswamy**, Centre for West Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University
The End Game and the Endless Process
- **Professor Robert P. Barnidge Jr.**, Associate Professor, Assistant Dean (Continuing and Executive Education), and Executive Director, Centre for International Legal Studies, Jindal Global Law School
Disparate Means of Dispute Settlement and the Introduction of a Negotiation Imperative: 1948-73

Coffee: 4:30 pm

6:00pm Depart for Dinner at India International Centre (IIC), New Delhi
Hosted by O.P. Jindal Global University

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9:15 am - 10:35 am

Keynote Lecture II: Israeli Art and Politics

Professor Gannit Ankori, Schusterman Center for Israel Studies, Brandeis University

Chair: Dr. Urvashi Aneja, Associate Professor, Jindal School of International Affairs

Coffee: 10:35 am

Discussion Panel III
JEWISH LITERATURE IN INDIA AND INDO-ISRAELI DIALOGUES
10:50 am - 12:35 pm

Moderator: Dr. Rohee Dasgupta, Associate Professor, Jindal School of International Affairs

- **Dr. Navras Jaat Aafreedi**, Assistant Professor, School of Humanities & Social Sciences, Gautam Buddha University
Indian Jewish Literature at a Glance
- **Achia Anzi**, Visiting Professor of Hebrew, Jawaharlal Nehru University
Longing for One Point: Image vs. Images in the Work of Ranbir Kaleka and Boaz Arad

Lunch: 12:35 pm

Discussion Panel IV
SPIRITUALISM AND MYSTICISM IN JEWISH AND NON-JEWISH THOUGHT
2:00 pm - 4:15 pm

Moderator: Professor Yehuda Mirsky, Associate Professor, Schusterman Center for Israel Studies, Department of Near Eastern & Judaic Studies, Brandeis University

- **Dr. Tomer Persico**, Lecturer, Department of Comparative Religion, Tel Aviv University
The Importing and Appropriation of Hindu and Buddhist Meditative Practices in Contemporary Jewish Spirituality
- **Professor Samik Bandyopadhyay**, Member, National School of Drama Society, New Delhi
Rabindranath Tagore: A Poet's Religion
- **Dr. Yudit Greenberg**, George and Harriet Cornell Endowed Professor of Religion, Director, Jewish Studies Program, Rollins College
The Languages of Love and Desire in the Gitagovinda and the Song of Songs

Closing Remarks and Vote of Thanks

4:15 pm - 4:30 pm

Dr. Sreeram Chaulia, Professor and Dean, Jindal School of International Affairs

High Tea: 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm



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