

December 13th, 2010



Special Conference Debating:

**"The Chosen Few: How Religion and Human Capital
Shaped Jewish History c. 70 ce - 1492"**

Princeton University Press (Book in Preparation)

Maristella Botticini and Zvi Eckstein

Sunday, December 19th, 2010

The Eitan Berglas School of Economics

Ofair Hall, Tel Aviv University

Please confirm your participation to:

Tel: + 972-3-6409712, +972-3-6409202

E-Mail: sapircen@post.tau.ac.il

**An updated program and the manuscript may be downloaded from
The Sapir Center's website: <http://sapir.tau.ac.il>**

**Parking will be available at the Smolarz underground parking lot adjacent to
Campus Gate 16, George Wise Street, Ramat Aviv.**

Upon presentation of this program, the parking fee will be 16 NIS per day.

Program

Sunday, December 19th, 2010	
08:30-8:45	<i>G a t h e r i n g</i>
8:45-9:00	Joel Mokyr: Welcoming remarks
9:00-9:45	Introduction and chapter 1 Discussion leader: Peter Temin
9:45 -10:30	Chapter 2 Discussion leader: Avner Greif
10:30-10:45	<i>C O F F E E B R E A K</i>
10:45-11:30	Chapter 3 Discussion leader: Albert Baumgarten
11:30-12:15	Chapter 4 Discussion leader: Yoram Weiss
12:15-13:15	<i>L U N C H</i>
13:15-14:00	Chapter 6 Discussion leader: Mark Cohen
14:00-14:45	Chapter 5 Discussion leader: Zeev Safrai
14:45-15:00	<i>C O F F E E B R E A K</i>
15:00-15:45	Chapter 7 Discussion Leader: Barry Chiswick
15:45-16:30	Chapter 8 Discussion leader: Michael Toch
16:30- 16:45	<i>C O F F E E B R E A K</i>

16:45-17:30	Chapter 9 Discussion leader: Yannay Spitzer
17:30-18:15	Chapter 10 Discussion leader: Jacob Metzger
18:15-18:30	<i>C O F F E E B R E A K</i>
18:30-20:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Panel Discussion on:</i> <i>"Religion, Human Capital and the Economic History of the Jews"</i></p> <p><i>Panelists:</i> <i>Menahem Ben-Sasson, Joel Mokyr, Nathan Sussman</i> <i>Manuel Trajtenberg</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Ofair Hall, The Eitan Berglas School of Economics</i> <i>Tel Aviv University Campus, Ramat-Aviv</i></p>

List of Participants (Preliminary)

Prof. Albert Baumgarten	Department of Jewish History Bar- Ilan University Email: baumgaa@mail.biu.ac.il
Prof. Menahem Ben-Sasson	President, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Email:hupres@savion.huji.ac.il
Prof. Benjamin Bental	Department of Economics University of Haifa Email: bbental@econ.haifa.ac.il
Prof. Maristella Botticini	Department of Economics Università Bocconi Email: marisibilia@gmail.com
Prof. Barry Chiswick	Department of Economics University of Illinois at Chicago Email: brchis@uic.edu
Professor Carmel U Chiswick	Department of Economics University of Illinois at Chicago Email: cchis@uic.edu
Prof. Mark R. Cohen	Department of Near Eastern Studies Princeton University Email: mrcohen@princeton.edu
Prof. Zvi Eckstein	The Eitan Berglas School of Economics Tel Aviv University Deputy Governor, Bank of Israel Email:eckstein@post.tau.ac.il
Prof. Arye Edrei	Faculty of Law Tel Aviv University Email:edreia@post.tau.ac.il
Prof. Rafi Eldor	School of Economics The Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya Email: eldor@idc.ac.il
Dr. Haggay Etkes	Research Department, Bank of Israel Email:etkes.haggay@boi.org.il
Prof. Stanley Fischer	Governor of the Bank of Israel governor@boi.org.il Email:

Prof. M June Flanders	The Eitan Berglas School of Economics Tel Aviv University Email:june@post.tau.ac.il
Prof. Jacob Glazer	Faculty of Management Tel Aviv University Department of Economics Boston University Email: glazer@post.tau.ac.il
Dr. Simcha Goldin	Jewish History Department Head of the Diaspora Research Center Tel Aviv University Email:sgoldin@post.tau.ac.il
Dr. Dror Goldberg	Department of Economics Bar Ilan University Email: dg@drorgoldberg.com
Prof. Avner Greif	Department of Economics Stanford University Email: avner@stanford.edu
Prof. Reuven Gronau	Department of Economics The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Email:msreuben@mscc.huji.ac.il
Prof. Nachum Gross	Department of Economics The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Email:msgross@mscc.huji.ac.il
Prof. Ron Harris	Faculty of Law, Tel Aviv University Email:harrisr@post.tau.ac.il
Prof. Elhanan Helpman	The Eitan Berglas School of Economics Tel Aviv University Department of Economics Harvard University Email:ehelpman@harvard.edu
Ms. Barbara Karni	Freelance editor and writer, Washington, DC. Email:barbarakarni@gmail.com
Prof. Ephraim Kleiman	Department of Economics The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Email:msefraim@mscc.huji.ac.il
Dr. Uzi Leibner	Institute of Archaeology The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

	Email:Leibner1@gmail.com
Dr. Joseph Isaac Lifshitz	The Shalem Center Email: isaacl@shalem.org.il
Prof. Joram Mayshar	Department of Economics The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Email: msjoram@mscc.huji.ac.il
Prof. Jacob Metzger	Department of Economics The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Email:msmetzer@mscc.huji.ac.il
Prof. Omer Moav	Department of Economics The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Email: msmoav@pluto.huji.ac.il
Prof. Joel Mokyr	Department of Economics and History Northwestern University Email:j-mokyr@northwestern.edu
Prof. Gur Ofer	Department of Economics The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Email: msgur@mscc.huji.ac.il
Prof. Dan Peled	Department of Economics University of Haifa Email: dpeled@econ.haifa.ac.il
Prof. Assaf Razin	The Eitan Berglas School of Economics Tel Aviv University Email: razin@post.tau.ac.il
Prof. Zeev Safrai	The Faculty of Jewish Studies Bar- Ilan University Email: zeev.safrai@gmail.com
Mrs. Corinne Sauer	Executive Director, Jerusalem Institute for Market Studies Email: corinne.sauer@jims-israel.org
Dr. Analia Schlosser	The Eitan Berglas School of Economics Tel Aviv University Email: analias@post.tau.ac.il
Prof. David Schmeidler	School of Mathematical Sciences Tel Aviv University Email: schmeid@tau.ac.il
Dr. Ofer Setty	The Eitan Berglas School of Economics Tel Aviv University Email:ofer.setty@gmail.com

Prof. Yossi Spiegel	Faculty of Management Tel Aviv University Email: spiegel@post.tau.ac.il
Mr. Yannay Spitzer	Department of Economics Northwestern University Email: spitzer@northwestern.edu
Prof. Nathan Sussman	Department of Economics The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Email: nsussman@mscc.huji.ac.il
Prof. Peter Temin	Department of Economics MIT Email: ptemin@mit.edu
Prof. Michael Toch	Department of History The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Email: mstoch@mscc.huji.ac.il
Prof. Manuel Trajtenberg	The Eitan Berglas School of Economics Tel Aviv University Chairman of the Planning & Budgeting Committee of the Council for Higher Education Email: manuel@post.tau.ac.il
Dr. Nadine Trajtenberg	The Arison school of Business The Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya Email: nadineb@idc.ac.il
Prof. Yoram Tsafir	Institute of Archaeology The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Email: mstsafri@mscc.huji.ac.il
Dr. Karine van der Beek	Department of Economics Ben-Gurion University Email: kvdbeek@bgu.ac.il
Prof. Yoram Weiss	The Eitan Berglas School of Economics Tel Aviv University Email: weiss@post.tau.ac.il