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Call for Papers

Jewish Studies and Jewish Theology

3rd Polish-German Workshop for Young Scholars in Jewish History, Religion and Culture
University of Potsdam October 24th -28th, 2018

A academic research and discussions on Judaism, Jewish religion, history and culture is taking place in many academic centres and in numerous disciplines. At both Jagiellonian University in Kraków and the University of Potsdam, Judaism is addressed from several points of view: A cultural studies perspective dominates secular Jewish Studies and the Study of Eastern European Culture, whereas a theological point of view is present, inter alia, in Jewish Theology. Furthermore, the subject also features prominently in other disciplines, for example in German, Slavic and Polish Studies, in philosophy, or in the study of history.

The increasing interest in the subject has resulted in numerous bachelor and master theses, which deal with issues related to Judaism. Up to now there have been few occasions to discuss the findings of graduate and postgraduate students and to make them known to a wider audience. As in previous years, the objective of the workshop is to provide a platform for young scholars for presenting their work, for discussion and for binational networking. Applications are invited from M.A. and PhD students from both countries who are enrolled in Jewish Studies or Jewish Theology or who are studying another discipline involving also Jewish history, culture, or religion. Students should already be in the process of writing their Master's or PhD thesis. Completed thesis may also be presented. As this year marks the centennial of the restoration of a sovereign Polish state, the workshop focuses on Jewish life in Poland during the interwar period. However, this does not exclude other topics.

The workshop will take place from October 24th to October 28th at Campus Neues Palais at the University of Potsdam. Arrival is scheduled for 4 p.m. on October 24th and the departure on October 28th in the morning. Participation is **free of charge**. Accommodation will be

provided. We request that written applications - which should include the topic of the presentation, a brief résumé of the project, and a CV - be submitted in English no later than **September 21th, 2018**. The workshop will be held in **English**. No translation facilities will be provided during the conference.

The organizers of this workshop are the School of Jewish Theology, the Department of Jewish Studies and the Study of Religions, the Department of Slavic Studies at the University of Potsdam and the Department of Jewish Studies at Jagiellonian University in Kraków. The workshop is sponsored by the Foundation for Polish-German Cooperation.

Please send your application to Isak Aasvestad: aasvesta@uni-potsdam.de

If you have any questions about the workshop please do not hesitate to contact us:

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