

JEWISH COMMUNITIES IN THE FORMER HABSBURG MONARCHY: 17th TO 20th CENTURY

Skirball Dept. of Hebrew and Judaic Studies at New York University (New York)

The symposium is organised by the Skirball Department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies at New York Univ., the Leo Baeck Inst., and the Ass. for the History of Jews in Central Europe.

Date: March 20, 2003.

Place: Center for Jewish History, 15 W 16th Street, New York City.

Programme

- 1 p.m. **Carol Kahn Strauss** (Dir. of the Leo Baeck Inst.): Welcome to the Leo Baeck Institute at the Center for Jewish History
- 1.05 **Josef Eisinger** (Prof. Emer., Mount Sinai School of Medicine): Symposium Opening Comments
- Klaus Lohrmann** (Prof. of History, Univ. of Vienna; Dir. of the Inst. for the History of the Jews in Austria): An Introduction to the Institute for the History of the Jews in Austria

Panel I: Jews in the Habsburg Monarchy

Chair: Josef Eisinger

- 1.15 **Klaus Lohrmann** (Vienna): The Role of Jews in 17th Century Trade between Europe and the New World. The Re-Emergence of the Jewish Communities in Central Europe
- 1.35 **Reinhard Buchberger** (Research Ass. at the Inst. for the History of the Jews in Austria): Bratislava's Prominent Jewish Families and their Links to Western Europe
- 1.55 **Lenka Matusikova** (Research Ass. at the Inst. for the History of the Jews in Austria): Jewish Families in 17th Century Prague
- 2.15 Questions and Discussion
- 12.45 Coffee Break

Panel II: Jewish Identities in the Austrian Empire

Chair: Marion Kaplan (Skirball Prof. of Modern Jewish History, New York Univ.)

- 3.00 **Marsha Rozenblit** (Prof. of History, Univ. of Maryland; Dir. of the Meyerhoff Center for Jewish Studies): Jews and Germans? The Dilemmas of Jews in Habsburg Austria
- 3.20 **Pieter Judson** (Ass. Prof. and Chair, History Dept. at the Swarthmore College): Jews as Germans? Unspoken Dilemmas of Local German Nationalism from Austrian Bohemia to the Bukowina
- 3.40 **Matti Bunzl** (Prof. of Jewish Culture and Society, Dept. of Anthropology, Univ. of Illinois): Schiller in the Shtetl: Karl Emil Franzos and the Cultural Colonization of Eastern Jewry
- 4.00 Questions and Roundtable Discussion of all Panelists
- 5.00 Reception