

## JEWISH SPACE IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

### Day-to-day History

Center for Studies of the Culture and History of East European Jews (Vilnius)

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Deadline for submission:

Dezember 20, 2005.

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Details for submissions:

Presenters are asked to send the  
topic and an abstract of the pre-  
sentation (in English or Russian,  
up to 300 words) by e-mail:  
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The Organizing Committee of the  
conference will announce the list of  
the presenters and inform the parti-  
cipants until 20 February 2006.

Working languages of the con-  
ference are English and Russian.

The length of speech: 20 minutes.

Presenters' travelling and accommo-  
dation expenses will be reimbursed.

Conference proceedings are to be  
published (in English).

*The Center for Studies of the Culture and History of East European Jews in cooperation with Lithuanian Institute of History invites to participate in the second international scientific conference on 8-9 May 2006. The topic of the conference is *Jewish Space in Central and Eastern Europe: Day-to-day History*. The key aim of the conference is to discuss the peculiarities of Jewish social life and the forms of their everyday expression. The organizers of the conference perceive the »Jewish space« as diverse forms of life and relations developing in the rich context of urbanism, social life, economic expression, and coexistence with the non-Jewish world. Having undergone various transformations, the Jewish space has preserved its authenticity and individuality. The organizers are interested in the distinction of the Jewish space, its representation in everyday life, and the communication with non-Jewish environment. Papers on the following sections of Jewish space are welcome:*

- »Regular« and »unusual« Jewish space: town (Jewish street, Jewish quarter, ghetto), shtetl, village, agricultural settlement, grange
- Types of community (*kahal*, *lesser kahal/podkahalek*) and peculiarities of traditional life determined by them (range of authority of *vaad*, rabbinic court, and community rabbi; choice of the burial-ground); the activities of social, educational and cultural institutions
- Space of communication: store and delivery trade, market, fair, tavern and inn, coaching inns and travels, the institution of rent, mutual assistance, leisure and entertainment (salons, clubs, sport).