International Workshop: Hans Jonas – the Early Years

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Accommodation: St Edmund Hall, Queen's Lane, Oxford

Conference venue: Wolfson College, Linton Road, Oxford - Private Dining Room

Minibus from accommodation to venue: Blackwell's bookshop, Broad Street, Oxford

Program

July 4	Wolfson College, Linton Road, Oxford, "Private Dining Room"		
09:30-10:00	Greeting and Opening Remarks		
Section I. Jona	Section I. Jonas and his Teachers: Husserl, Heidegger, Bultmann		
10:00-12:00			
Elad Lapidot (University of Lille): From Husserl to Heidegger in Search for Judeo- Christian Ethics			
Andreas Großmann (Technical University of Darmstadt): An Encounter with Consequences. Jonas and Bultmann			
12:00-14:00	Lunch Break - Florey Room		
Section II. Jonas on Paul and Augustine			
14:00-16:00			
Michael Bongardt (University of Siegen): The Aporia of Human Freedom. An Early Letter and its Long Impact			
Yael Almog (University of Durham): Hans Jonas and Hannah Arendt's Variations on St. Augustine			
16:00-16:30	Coffee Break		
Section III. Jonas and Contemporary Thought			
16:30-18:30			
Libera Pisano (MSC Fellow at University Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona): Resisting Nihilism. The Motif of <i>Entwurzelung</i> in Jonas's Early Writings			
Christian Wiese (University of Frankfurt): Fighting for Jewish Dignity and Self- Respect: Zionism and Politics in Hans Jonas's Thought before 1945			
19:30	Dinner: Cherwell Boathouse, Bardwell Road, Oxford		

July 5 Wolfson College, Linton Road, Oxford, "Private Dining Room"

Section IV. Jonas on Gnosis

09:30-13:00

Agata Bielik-Robson (University of Nottingham): Hans Jonas and Gnosticism in Weimar's Philosophy

Amir Engel (Hebrew University of Jerusalem): The Anti-Myth: Late Antic Gnosis and Twentieth-Century German Spiritualism

11:30-12:00 Coffee Break

Nathalie Frogneux (Université catholique de Louvain): Knowing the Past from our Present: for a Hermeneutic of Gnosticism

Comments: Fabio Fossa (Politecnico di Milano)

13:00-15:00 Lunch Break - Florey Room

Section V. Jonas in Jerusalem

15:00-17:00

Daniel M. Herskowitz (University of Oxford): The De-Heideggerization of Gnosis: Jonas's 1938/9 Lectures on Gnosticism at the Hebrew University

Jonathan Cahana-Blum (Hebrew University of Jerusalem): Jonas, Scholem, and Taubes in Jerusalem: From Metaphysical Antisemitism to a Jewish Gnostic Conspiracy

Conspiracy	
17:00-17:30	Coffee Break
17:30-18:30	Concluding Discussion
19:30	Dinner: Trout Inn, Godstow Road, Wolvercote, Oxford

July 6	
10:00-11:00	Oxford Library Tour

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