





ICCJ International Abrahamic Forum International Conference

La Baume, Aix en Provence 26 - 28 June 2013

Combatting Our Teachings of Contempt; Jewish, Christian and Muslim Introspection and Projection

GENERAL INFORMATION

The 2013 annual conference of the International Abrahamic Forum (IAF) will be held at La Baume hotel, Aix-en-Provence, June 26-28.

The theme chosen for the conference is "Combatting Our Teachings of Contempt: Jewish, Christian and Muslim Introspection and Projection". The conference commemorates the fiftieth anniversary of the passing of Jules Isaac, the well-known French historian who coined the phrase "the teaching of contempt" about the Christian roots of anti-Semitism. The IAF is in a unique position to be able to look at teachings of contempt in each of the three Abrahamic religions, and by doing so, learn how we can combat these.

Registration

Please register for the 2013 ICCJ conference by emailing IAF Coordinator Francesca Frazer at <u>abrahamicforum@iccj.org</u> or <u>francesca.frazer@postgrad.manchester.ac.uk</u> Deadline for conference registration via email: June 1, 2013.

Conference fee

The conference fee is ≤ 70 (includes all lectures, workshops and meals). Registration is only valid after receipt of the conference fee.

The conference fee includes payment for:

- Dinner on Wednesday 26 June and Thursday 27 June
- Lunch on Thursday 27 June and Friday 28 June
- All conference lectures and workshops

The conference fee can be paid:

--- If you live in a country in the Euro zone: Preferably through credit card (Visa or Master Card). Go to www.iccj.org and click on payment (far right of menu bar). http://www.iccj.org/Payment.3835.0.html?&L=0 Fill in your contact details. For purpose: enter "IAF conference" and payment "€70". Then click "pay now".

Or by bank transfer to:

Sparkasse Starkenburg Heppenheim, Federal Republic of Germany

IBAN: DE 20509514690000121350 SWIFT: HELADEF 1 HEP

--- From non-Euro countries payment only through credit card (Visa or Master Card)

If you are unsure of any procedures, email IAF coordinator Francesca Frazer at abrahamicforum@iccj.org or frazer@postgrad.manchester.ac.uk for assistance.

Day visitors

If you wish to only attend on certain days or wish to not take part in meals, please email IAF coordinator Francesca Frazer at abrahamicforum@iccj.org or

<u>francesca.frazer@postgrad.manchester.ac.uk</u> and a reduced price will be arranged.

Cancellations

In case of cancellation reimbursement of the conference fee will be as follows:

Cancellation until April 30 70 %

May 31 50 %

Cancellation on or after June 1 no reimbursement

Programme

The conference will start on Wednesday June 26 with registration at 5pm, at La Baume hotel. Conference delegates will receive their conference packages then. An opening session will be held at 6pm, introducing the work of the IAF and outlining the theme of the conference. This will be followed by an evening meal and free time to get to know one another.

On Thursday the main conference will begin with an opening session discussing teachings of contempt in Christianity, followed by workshops on scripture, theology and liturgy. The afternoon session will begin with a plenary, discussing teachings of contempt in Judaism followed by workshops on media and education. On Friday we will have an opening plenary on teachings of contempt in Islam, followed by a workshop discussing how we move forward.

Keynote addresses:

Prof Dr Stefan Schreiner (Germany), Chair of Religious Studies and Jewish Studies, University of Tübingen; Coordinator of European Abrahamic Forum

Rabbi Dr Ruth Langer (USA), Professor of Jewish Studies, Theology Dept; Associate Director, Center for Christian-Jewish Learning, Boston College; Chair, Council of Centers on Jewish-Christian Relations

Dr Amineh Hoti (Pakistan), Co-founder of the Centre for the Study of Muslim-Jewish Relations, Woolf Institute, Cambridge UK

Workshops on theology, liturgy, scripture, media and education led by:

Rabbi Ehud Bandel (Israel), 1st Vice President, International Council of Christians and Jews, Co-chair of IAF

Sheikh Ghassan Manasra (Israel), Director of Anwar Il-Salaam, Islamic Cultural Centre (Lights of Peace); Co-chair of IAF

Dr Heidi Hadsell (USA), President, Hartford Seminary, Hartford Connecticut

Dr Mustafa Baig (UK), Lecturer in Islamic Studies, University of Manchester

Rev Canon Hosam Naoum (Israel), Dean of St George's Anglican Cathedral Jerusalem, serving Arabic and English speaking congregations

Rabbi Dr Reuven Firestone (USA), Professor of Medieval Judaism and Islam at Hebrew Union College, Los Angeles

Prof Dr Karl-Josef Kuschel (Germany), Professor of Theology of Culture and Interreligious Dialogue, University of Tübingen

Location of Conference and Hotel reservations

The conference will take place at La Baume Lès Aix, a hotel and conference centre located 3km from the centre of Aix en Provence. Conference participants are encouraged to book accommodation on site at the hotel, where a reduced rate has been negotiated for conference participants. You are requested to make your reservations directly with La Baume Hotel. Settle your bill when checking out from the hotel.

Deadline for reservations at La Baume: May 31, 2013.

After that date no guarantee can be given for rooms.

Rates: Standard room € 50 p. night

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Website: www.labaumeaix.com

Email: reservation@labaumeaix.com (Martine Kacenelen)

Travel to Aix-en-Provence

Most participants will arrive by air. Marseille/Provence Airport is approx. 25 km from the hotel.

There are two ways to reach La Baume from the airport:

- Taxi: A single fare, depending on traffic etc., will be approx. € 90.
- Bus: You will find the bus stand for the shuttle bus to Aix-en-Provence right in front of the arrival hall at the airport. This bus will drop you at the Aix City Bus Station. For the exact schedule see http://www.marseille.aeroport.fr/acces-et-parking/acces/navettes-bus/aix-en-provence Take a local taxi from there to the hotel.

Some participants will arrive by train. Aix-en-Provence Gare TGV is half way between the airport and the city centre. Taxis are always available. The Airport Shuttle Bus also calls at Aix Gare TGV.

ICCJ and YLC conference

The Young Leadership Council meeting overlaps with the IAF conference and there will be a number of opportunities for integration.

The International Council of Christians and Jews' annual conference will then take place from Sunday 30 June- Wednesday 3 July. The theme this year is "Secularity: Opportunity or Peril for Religions, The French Experience and Global Perspectives".

The IAF is hosting an open forum on Sunday 30 June and then contributing a number of trilateral workshops throughout the ICCJ conference (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday). If you plan to stay to attend the ICCJ conference, please let us know and we will arrange for activities over the weekend. See www.iccj.org for more information about the ICCJ conference.

Further information

For further information, and to register, please contact the IAF coordinator, Francesca Frazer Email: abrahamicforum@iccj.org or francesca.frazer@postgrad.manchester.ac.uk Telephone: +44 (0) 7791 733980

We look forward to seeing you in Aix-en-Provence.