



conference program

**The Lowe Family Conference**

# **Jewish-Muslim relations through the ages: co-existence and conflict**

**Sunday, October 17, 2021**

10 a.m.–6 p.m. (MST) via Zoom

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Arizona State University

10–10:15 a.m.

## **Welcome**

**Hava Tirosh-Samuelson**

Director, ASU Jewish Studies

**Jeffrey Cohen**

Dean of Humanities, Arizona State University

**Ronald E. Lowe**

Benefactor

10:15–11:30 a.m.

## **Jewish Life among the Muslims in the Middle Ages**

**Mark R. Cohen**

Princeton University

*respondent*

**Eve Krakowski**

Princeton University

11:30 a.m.– 12:45 p.m.

## **Jews and Muslims in the Early-Modern Period: Continuity and Change**

**Yaron Ayalon**

College of Charleston

*respondent*

**Matthias Lehmann**

University of California-Irvine

12:45–2 p.m.

## **Jews and Muslim Communities in Contemporary Europe**

**Gunther Jikeli**

Indiana University

*respondent*

**Alejandro Baer**

University of Minnesota

2–3:15 p.m.

## **Jews and Muslims in Modernity: Colonialism and Nationalism**

**Jessica Marglin**

University of Southern California

*respondent*

**Lior Sternfeld**

Penn State University

3:15–4:30 p.m.

## **The Quran and Jewish-Muslim Relations Today**

**Reuven Firestone**

Hebrew Union College

*respondent*

**Gabriel Reynolds**

University of Notre Dame

4:30–5:45 p.m.

## **Jews and Muslims in the Academy**

**Aaron Hughes**

University of Rochester

*respondent*

**Emran El-Badawi**

University of Houston

5:45–6 p.m.

## **Conclusion**

**Hava Tirosh-Samuelson**

Arizona State University

Since the rise of Islam in the seventh century, Jews and Muslims have lived in close proximity, collaborating, interacting and cross-influencing each other. This conference examines the development of Jewish-Muslim interaction over time, with special attention to the difference between pre-modern and modern periods, and highlighting the confluence of social, economic, political, cultural, and religious dimensions. The conference contends that **understanding the past is conducive to addressing the challenges of the present and the future**. World-renowned historians, sociologists and scholars of religious studies will examine the past and present of Jewish-Muslim relations.

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