

Today, different overlapping legal systems constantly interfere with one another in complex transnational contexts such as the European Union or human rights law. Similarly, issues of cultural diversity or conflicts between religious norms and civil institutions also ask for new legal solutions. Jewish cultures have long experience with forms of law beyond the state. The specific rabbinic form of legal reasoning and the specific halachic way of life emerged in the very moment when Jewish sovereignty was lost. In different diasporas, Jews have developed multiple strategies to imagine, conceptualize, and practice plurality in creative ways. The conference discusses these strategies in light of the pressing questions of current multireligious and multicultural societies, and the need to conceptualize the law beyond the established form of the nation state.

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DIASPORA AND LAW

Culture, Religion,
and Jurisprudence
beyond Sovereignty

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Sonntag

Großer Saal des Centrum Judaicum

18:00

Eröffnung

Liliana R. Feierstein/Daniel Weidner

Grußworte

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Musik

Jascha Nemtsov

Vortrag

Susannah Heschel
Dartmouth College
„Love me Like a River“
Can Religious Law Survive in an Era of
Global Diasporas?

Musik

Jascha Nemtsov

Anschließend Empfang

Montag

Senatssaal der Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

09:30-10:00 Einführung

10:00-12:00

Elisa Klapheck (Paderborn)

Dina deMalchuta Dina

Die jüdische Theologie des Rechtsstaates

Charlotte Fonrobert (Stanford)

Marriage Law and the Constitution of

Diaspora in Jewish Law

12:00-12:30 Pause

12:30-13:30

Serdar Kurnaz (Hamburg)

**The Transformation of Sharia from a
Law-Centered Understanding to Ethics**

13:30-14:30 Mittagspause

14:30-16:30

Martin Heger (Berlin)

**Der Wandel von einem personalen zu
einem territorialen Rechtsverständnis in
Mittelalter und früher Neuzeit**

Menachem Lorberbaum (Tel Aviv):

*Dina deMalchuta Dina. From the Law of
the King to the Law of the Republic*

16:00-16:30 Pause

17:00-19:00

Ino Augsberg (Kiel)

Diaspomenos. Hermeneutics of Exile

Christina von Braun (Berlin)

**The Alphabet as a Cradle of Religion
and Law in Monotheism**

Dienstag

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09:00-11:00

Suzanne Last Stone (New York)

**The Intervention of American Courts in
Jewish Divorce Law. A Pluralist Analysis**

Nahed Samour (Berlin)

**Stigma and German Law. Classifying
Individuals, Targeting Communities?**

11:00-11:30 Pause

11:30-12:30

Marie-Claire Foblets (Halle)

**Diaspora Communities. An Opportunity
for the Future of the Law**

12:30-13:30 Mittagspause

13.30-15:00

**Parallele Workshops
Fragen aus der Praxis**

A. Medizinrecht – Stephan Probst
(Bielefeld)

B. Eherecht – Jonah Sievers (Berlin)

15:00-15:30 Pause

15:30-17:30

Klaus Stierstorfer (Münster)

**Law and Literature in Diaspora
The Case of Gandhi's Autobiography**

Caspar Battegay (Basel)

**Star Trek. Diaspora and Law in
the German-Jewish Imagination**