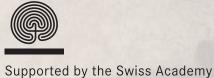




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THE BOOK OF SAMUEL IN THE SHADOW OF EMPIRES

Relations between Israel, Judah, and Neighboring Nations in Historical, Compositional, and Theological Perspective

Basel, 12–14 October 2022

Conference Organizers: Benedikt Hensel (Oldenburg) & Stephen Germany (Basel)

Wednesday, 12 October

9:30 Opening remarks

10:00 Zachary Thomas and Erez Ben-Yosef (Tel Aviv)

Copper, Nomads and Kings: The Early Iron Age Context of Edom and Transjordan in the History of David's Reign

II:00 Ann E. Killebrew (Penn State)

The Philistines in the Book of Samuel: An Archaeological Perspective

12:00 Assaf Kleiman (Leipzig)

The Kingdom of Geshur: Its Formation and Cross-Regional Interactions

13:00-15:00 Lunch break

15:00 Régine Hunziker-Rodewald (Strasbourg)

Transjordan in the Book of Samuel: Historical and Archaeological Perspectives

16:00 Benedikt Hensel (Oldenburg)

Philistines and Assyrians in the Ark Narratives in 1 Sam 4–6 & 2 Sam 5–6

17:00 Hannes Bezzel (Jena)

Who are 'the Philistines' in the Book of Samuel?

Thursday, 13 October

9:00 Rachelle Gilmour (Melbourne) [online]

Saul, the Amalekites and the Northern Kingdom of Israel: Rewriting Saul during the Assyrian Crisis

10:00 Reinhard Müller (Göttingen)

David's War against Amalek (I Sam 30): Mirrors of Empire Building?

II:00 Cynthia Edenburg (Open University of Israel)

In Search of Amalek: The Pursuit of an Historical Referent in 1 Sam 15 and 30

12:00 Ernst Axel Knauf (Bern)

Judah's southern neighbor in the 10th century BCE – Edom or Amalek?

13:00-15:00 Lunch break

15:00 Nesina Grütter (Basel)

How to Look for the Neo-Assyrians in the Book of Samuel: A Religio-historical Perspective on 'Diagnostic' Text Passages

16:00 Walter Bührer (Bochum)

The Long Shadow of the Gibeonites: 2 Sam 21:1–14 in Context

Friday, 14 October

9:00 Konrad Schmid (Zürich) [online]

The End at the Beginning: The Fate of the Ark in I Sam 4–6 and the Fall of Jerusalem in 587 BCE

10:00 Stephen Germany (Basel)

Israel, Judah, and Historical Typology in the Book of Samuel

II:00 Christa Schäfer-Lichtenberger (Wuppertal)

Samuel, Saul, and David: Antagonists and their Successors

12:00 Benedict Schöning (Würzburg)

Defining Israel in Porous Borders: The Ambiguity of I Samuel's Narrative on National Identities

13:00 Closing discussion

Location

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