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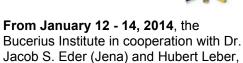
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On February 27, 2014, Jutta Ditfurth, writer and sociologist, will give a lecture on her book "The Baron, the Jews and the Nazis, A Journey into a Family History" which was released in October 2013. She will focus on the Anti-Semitism of the German Thuringian Nobility. The event will be held in English at 18:00 at the Library Auditorium at the University of Haifa.



M.A. (Mainz) organized the conference "International Affairs and the Politics of Memory: German-Jewish-Israeli Relations after the Holocaust". Across five thematic panels, scholars

from Germany, Israel, Great Britain and the USA discussed their research on a



variety of aspects of German-Jewish-Israeli relations since 1945. Prof. Dan **Diner** held the opening lecture. The conference was organized in honor of Prof. Dres. h.c. Manfred Lahnstein. Through a variety of methodological approaches and topics the conference highlighted the complexity of the societal and political relations between the German and the Jewish people after 1945. This was accomplished by moving between the poles of friendly interactions, unrelated to the past, ignoring certain parts of the crimes committed by the Germans, and a reconciliation process that had to constantly create awareness of the Holocaust. A mixture of individual emotions, political interests and historical memory shaped the interactions between Israel, the American Jewry and Germany.

Among the lecturers were Fania Oz-Salzberger, Shlomo Aronson, Jenny Hestermann, Zohar Segev, Kristina Meyer, Constantin Goschler, Tobias Freimüller, Carole Fink, Hubert Leber, Jan Busse, Lily Gardner Feldman, Katharina Konarek, Lorena De Vita, Jeffrey Herf, Angelika Timm, Amos Morris-Reich, Dani Schrire, Ute Deichmann and Sharon Livne.





On January 2, 2014, Dr. Ludger Heid, from the University of Duisburg Essen, gave a lecture on the topic "Unequal Siblings of a Family - Western Jews versus Eastern Jews in German Culture & Policy (1914**present).**"He talked about the differences between the German Jews and the Eastern Jewish immigrants. The lecture took place at the University of Haifa.





The Bucerius Institute welcomes **Dr. Zef Segal**, recipient of the University of Haifa President's Postdoctoral Fellowship 2013/2014. He studied History at the Tel-Aviv University where he completed his PhD in 2013. His Post-docresearch project deals with the evolving depiction of new-born states in German cartography from 1800 until 1836. He teaches at the Department of General History and will be working on his Post-doc-project at the Institute.



On December 5, 2013, Dr. Werner
Puschra, Director of the Friedrich-EbertStiftung Israel, and Walter Klitz, Head of the
Friedrich-Nauman-Stiftung Israel gave two
lectures on: "The German Political
Foundations: Global Think- and Do-Tanks
– Structures, Instruments and Topics".
Katharina Konarek, Research Fellow at the
Bucerius Institute, commented on the
lecture. She works towards her PhD on the
influence of German Political Foundations on
German Foreign Policy.





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On November 14, 2013, the Bucerius Institute, the Haifa Center for German and European Studies (HCGES) and the Romanian Cultural Institute organized a pipe organ concert that took place at the Hecht Auditorium at the University of Haifa. The Romanian musician Steffen Schlandt, who studied piano and pipe organ in Wuerzburg, performed several musical works among them Mozart's Fantazia, Bach's Symphony from Cantata and Guilment's March on Haendels Theme.



On November 7, 2013, Prof. Udi Greenberg, Assistant Professor of European History at Darthmouth College held a lecture on "German Emigrants and the Cold War" at the Library Auditorium at the University of Haifa. The lecture was followed by an open discussion on the topic.

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