**Sunday, 7 July:**

**ALL CONFERENCE SESSIONS WILL BE IN THE GRIMOND BUILDING**

10.00 onward: Registration, Grimond Foyer Reception

13.00-14.00: Lunch, Rutherford Dining Hall

14.00-15.30: Session 1:

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- **Kate Miriam Loewenthal:** Maintaining Jewish boundaries: how is it done and is it good for mental health?
- **Judith Neulander:** Inventing Jewish History, Memory and Genetic Identity in Hispanic New Mexico
- **Hannah Ewence:** Jewishness on the Edge: Peripheries of Jewish-non-Jewish Identity in 20th Century Suburban Britain
- **Simon Mayers:** Jewish Identity According to the Catholic Guild of Israel (1917-1943)
- **Turkay Nefes:** Interviews with popular Turkish Conspiracy Theorists
- **Deborah Holmes:** Antisemitism Remembered: Memorialisation Practices in 21st century Austria
- **Natalie Polzer:** Death by Chamberpot in the Bavli: Veiled Anti-Zoroastrian Polemic?
- **Eva van Loenen:** The Problem of Boundaries: Jewish Magic and non-Jewish Magic
- **Bradley Barnes:** Comparisons between 19th century Christian Charms and Jewish Incantation Bowls from Late Antique Mesopotamia
- **Sachar Stern:** Did Jews ever need to observe the festivals at the same time?
- **Martin Borysek:** Self-definition of a Jewish Community by Means of Legal Statutes in Medieval and Early Modern Crete
- **Jana Horáková:** A letter against Philosophy as dialogue between traditional Jewish identity and its rational challenge

15:30-16.00: Break – Coffee and Tea, Grimond Foyer
### 16.00-18.00: Session 2:

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- **Santiago Castellanos:** Jews as a topic at the end of the Roman Empire: the Letter of Severus of Minorca
- **Emily Parker:** Joseph the Statesman as Tragic Figure in Philo of Alexandria's De Iosepho
- **Marton Ribary:** The 'discovery' of equity on the borders of Roman and Rabbinic Law
- **Ilan Zvi Baron:** A possible paradigm shift? Exploring the Jewish Question in Literature and Politics?
- **Nina Fischer:** Negotiations of Memory, Identity and Urban Space in Muriel Spark’s The Mandelbaum Gate
- **Alana Vincent:** Postmemory and the Boundaries of Civic Family: Anne of Green Gables and Edeet Ravel
- **Klavdia Smola:** The Phenomenon of Mimicry in Contemporary Russian- and Polish-Russian Literature
- **Mathias Berek:** Moritz Lazarus’ attempt to shift political boundaries in Imperial Germany
- **Denis Maier:** ‘Collective Memory’ and Modern Orthodox Identity in Isaac Breuer (1883-1946)
- **Yuval Jobani:** Beyond the Religious-Secular Divide: The Philosophical and Educational Legacy of A. D. Gordon
- **Eduardo Faingold:** Jewish identity, secularism and education in Argentina in the early 20th century
- **Barbara Borts:** Becoming Jewish in a Taxi: Borders and Behaviours on the Journey Towards Judaism
- **Nechama Hadari:** ‘Don’t be a stranger’ – giyur as theologisation of the boundaries of (Jewish) identity
- **Jordy Silverstein:** Dating While Jewish: Drawing Boundaries around Jewish Sexual Desire

### 18.00-19.00: Reception, Grimond Foyer

### 19.00-20.00: Dinner, Rutherford Dining Room

### 20.00-22.00: Film: *Six Million and One* (David Fisher, Israel, 2011, 93 minutes), Grimond Lecture Theatre 3.

Brief synopsis: David Fisher and his siblings retrace the footsteps of their late father—a Holocaust survivor who was interned in Gusen and Gunskirchen, Austria. Through the craft of Fisher’s storytelling, they become emblematic of the entire second generation. The film features interviews with local historians who are trying to get the Bergkristall (tunnels of Gusen) opened to the public, as well as captivating interviews with American WWII veterans who participated in the liberation of Gusen and Gunskirken camps.

**The K-Bar,** Keynes College will be open in the evening.
Monday, 8 July:

8:00-9:00: Breakfast, ‘Dolce Vita’, Keynes College [It’s not misspelt, it’s a trade name!]

9:00: Registration, Grimond Foyer

9.00-11.00: Session 3:

| Panel A: Crossing boundaries in biblical times | Panel B: Philosophical approaches | Panel C: The memory of the Holocaust and Jewish identity | Panel D: 'Hybrid' Identities? |
| Seminar Room 1 Chair: Holger Zellentin | Seminar Room 2 Chair: Larry Ray | Lecture Theatre 3 Chair: James Renton | Seminar Room 3 Chair: Axel Stähler |

Robert Cohn: Ruth as Border Crosser: Reimagining Israelite Identity
Alex Tal: Yehuda and Binyamin – Biblical boundaries in late Antiquity power struggles
Sandra Jacobs: The Politics of Circumcision and the Boundaries of Priestly Ethnicity
Eyal Ben-Eliahu: Boundaries of Eretz Israel and Character of Jewish Identity in Second Temple and rabbinic period

Rosa Reicher: Religion and Jewish Identity in the Philosophical and Political Thought of Simone Luzzatto, John Toland and Menasseh ben Israel

Robert Fine: Two Faces of Universality: Jewish Emancipation and the 'Jewish Question'
Dvora Lederman Daniely: The Buberian Man as a struggler in the Field of Existential Choice between the boundaries of the "I-It", and the Dialogic Freedom of the "I-Thou"

Boaz Cohen: Holocaust Studies – the 'black sheep' of Jewish Studies?
Esther Jilovsky: Memory, Postmemory and Identity in German-Jewish Holocaust Memoirs
Lia Deromedi: 'Which self?' The Jewish Child's Christian Persona in Survivor Fiction
Shirli Gilbert: Holocaust memory and Jewish identity in post-Apartheid South Africa

Gitit Holtzman: Judaism, Monotheism and Hybridity
Vered Weiss: Generic Hybridity: Agnon's Magical Realistic and Gothic National Narration
Richard Gehrmann: A typical British officer? Military culture, class, and the identity of Robert Henriques
Ruth Gilbert: Jewish, Half-Jewish, Jew-ish: Negotiating Identities in Contemporary British-Jewish Literature

11.00-11.30: Break, Coffee and Tea in Grimond Foyer

11.00-12.30: Keynote Lecture: David Biale: Exile, Homeland and the Boundaries of Jewish Identity
Grimond Lecture Theatre 3 Chair: Larry Ray

12.30-13.30: Lunch, Rutherford Dining Hall
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13.30-15.30: Session 4:

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<th>Postgraduate Workshop with <strong>Prof David Biale</strong></th>
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15.30-16.00: **Break, Coffee and Tea in Grimond Foyer**

16.00-17.30: Session 5:

| **Panel A: Identity and Memory in Poland**  | **Panel B: Boundaries of Jewishness**  | **Panel C: Holocaust Studies**  | **Panel D: Gender, Embodiment and Identity in Literature** |
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**Joanna Cukras-Stelagowska**: Nostalgic identity and the quest for authenticity
**Jan Lorenz**: Familiarity, global ethnopolitics and ontologies of relatedness in a Jewish congregation in contemporary Poland

**Naftali Loewenthal**: Creating and Breaking Through Boundaries among Hareidim in mid-20th century USA
**Maria Diemling** and **Larry Ray**: Negotiating Boundaries: Food and Reform Judaism
**Yulia Egorova**: Being Jewish in Andhra Pradesh: Social Protest, Boundaries of Jewishness and the Lost Tribes Discourse

**Magdalena Kubow**: Kanada: The Effect of The Canadian Jewish News and Survivors on the Memory of the Holocaust
**Dominic Williams**: The Scrolls of Auschwitz: Breaking the Boundaries of Testimony
**Joanne Pettitt**: Towards an Understanding of Incultrination: A Study of the Self in relation to environment in literary representations of the Holocaust perpetrator

**Tsila Ratner**: Bridal Chests and Materials of Selfhood in Modern Hebrew Literature
**Axel Stähler**: Jewish Metamorphoses and the Colours of Difference
**Mike Witcombe**: Weird Bodies: Philip Roth’s American Satires

18.00-19.00: **BAJS AGM**: Grimond Lecture Theatre 3

19.30-21.00: Gala Dinner, Darwin Dining Suite

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**Tuesday, 9 July:**

8:00-9:00: Breakfast, ‘Dolche Vita’, Keynes College

9:00: Registration, Grimond Foyer

9.00-10.30:  **Session 6:**

| Panel A: Zionism past and present  
| Lecture Theatre 3  
| Chair: Daniel Langton | Panel B: Scottish-Irish identity  
| Seminar Room 1  
| Chair: Jordy Silverstein | Panel C: 20th Jewish identity  
| Seminar Room 2  
| Chair: François Guesnet | Panel D: Early Modern Converso Identities  
| Seminar Room 3  
| Chair: Maria Diemling |

| Roman Vaters: Bi-national state or a state for one nation? What nation? The “Young Hebrews” versus Palestinians and Jews  
| James Renton: Global Zionism in the Age of Nationality: Performing for the World  
| Dashiel Lawrence: Pushing the Boundaries: Identity and the Challenge of contemporary Jewish anti-Zionist writers and activists | Mirella Yandoli and Hannah Holtschneider: ‘Edinburgh’s Jews’ - introducing an exhibition and guide to archival resources  
| Fiona Frank: ‘I always felt on the edge of things and not really part of it’: fuzzy boundaries in an extended Scottish Jewish family  
| Natalie Wynn: Jewish communal institutions as a reflection of an emerging Irish-Jewish identity | Amanda Sharick: Composite photography and Mirror photographs: Engaging the ‘Jewish type’ in Fin-de-Siècle England  
| Astrid Zajdband: Preserving Memory and Creating Community: Exiled Rabbis as Bearers of German Jewry  
| Maria Haralambakis: Remembering Moses Gaster in Romania | Yvonne Sherwood: The Biblicised Ethnographies of Diego Durán (1537?-1588): Between the Old Testament and the New World  
| Yehoshua Granat: ‘What have thou to do with Marino’s song?: Negotiation of boundaries in Hebrew Baroque Poetry  
| Cengiz Sisman: “Crypto-Jewish” Identity of the Ottoman-Turkish Sabbateans (17th-20th Centuries) |

10.30-11.00:  **Break, Coffee and Tea, Grimond Foyer**

| 11.00-12.30: Plenary Session: Jonathan Boyd: Challenges Facing the Contemporary Jewish Community in Britain: Insights from the UK Census  
| Grimond Lecture Theatre 3  
| Chair: Larry Ray |

12.30-13.30:  **Lunch, Rutherford Dining Hall**
### 13.30-15.00: Session 7:

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- **Miranda Crowdus**: Converging Identities, Deviance, and Musical Voyeurism: Examining ‘In-Between’ Music Performance Spaces in South Tel Aviv
- **Sarah Lightman**: Jewish Women and Graphic Memoir: Visualising the Silenced
- **Martin Goodman**: The Roman State and Diaspora Jews after Bar Kokhba
- **Holger Zellentin**: Delineating Accommodation and Resistance to Late Roman Paganism
- **Helen Spurling**: Apocalyptic Boundaries: From Popular Culture to Rabbinic Midrash
- **Hagai Dagan**: Demons, Madness and Tangled Fluid Boundaries in Mendele-Mocher Sforim’s ‘Di Kalitshe’
- **Vivi Lachs**: How Yiddish socialist poet Morris Winchevsky negotiated the boundaries of poetry and politics, London 1884-94
- **Jan Lorenz**: Film ‘The Passage’, followed by discussion with the director

### 15.00-15.30: Break, Coffee and Tea Grimond Foyer.