



NOVEMBER 12–14, 2018

**MAIMONIDES CENTRE
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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

**SCEPTICISM AND ANTI-SCEPTICISM
IN JEWISH AVERROISM**



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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2018

09:30–10:00 | WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Racheli Haliva

10:00–11:00 | KEYNOTE LECTURE

Was Al-Chazālī an Avicennist? Some Provocative Reflections on Jewish Averroism

Steven Harvey

11:15–13:00 | WHAT IS JEWISH AVERROISM?

Averroism and Interreligious Polemics in Late Medieval Iberia

Daniel J. Lasker

Similarities and Dissimilarities between Jewish and Latin Averroism

Giovanni Licata

Who and What is a Jewish Averroist? Remarks on Averroes' First Jewish Readers

Reimund Leicht

14:00–15:30 | REASON, SCRIPTURES, AND JEWISH LAW

The Interpretation of the Garden of Eden among Averroistic Maimonideans and the Scope of Human Knowledge

David Lemler

Is Maimonides' Biblical Exegesis Averroistic?

Mercedes Rubio

Double Truth in Jewish Averroist Philosophy

Shalom Sadik

16:00–17:30 | AVERROISTIC MAIMONIDEANISM I

Between Scepticism and Anti-Scepticism in Judah ha-Cohen's Presentation of Averroes in the *Midrash ha-Hokhmah*

Resianne Smidt van Gelder-Fontaine

Socratic Scepticism in Hebrew: Al-Harīzī and Shem Tob Falauquera and Their Influence

Yehuda Halper

Averroes' Influence upon Theological Responses to Scepticism in Late Medieval Jewish Philosophy

Shira Weiss

The event is open to the public, with advance registration

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2018

15:00–16:30 | AVERROISTIC MAIMONIDEANISM II

Scepticism and Anti-Scepticism in Samuel ibn Tibbon's Work

Rebecca Kneller-Rowe

Averroes' *Incoherence of the Incoherence* and Narboni's Commentary on the *Guide of the Perplexed*

Yonatan Shermesh

Isaac Polqar's Anti-Sceptical Approach towards Miracles

Racheli Haliva

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2018

10:00–11:30 | PHYSICS

Gersonides and Ibn Kaspi on Scepticism about the Future

Alexander Green

Sources of Knowledge about the Heavens: Profayt Duran and Averroes

Maud Kozodoy

Crescas' Attitude towards Averroes

Warren Zev Harvey

12:00–13:30 | METAPHYSICS AND THEOLOGY

Averroes' *Long Commentary on the Posterior Analytics* and Its Impact on Jewish and Latin Averroism during the Italian Renaissance

Michael Engel

Gersonides' Critique of Averroes: Between Physics, Metaphysics, and Theology

Esti Eisenmann

Against Averroes: Moshe Ha-Levi's Defence of Avicenna's Necessary Existence

Yoav Meyrav

15:30–17:00 | PROPHECY AND HUMAN PERFECTION

Certainty and Uncertainty Regarding Metaphysics in Sforza's *Or Ammim*

Giada Coppola

Reconsidering Isaac Albalag's Theory of Prophecy: A Sceptical Approach

Baknaz Abdalla

What is the Status of Prophets from Other Religions for the Jewish Averroists?

Adrian Sackson

17:30–19:00 | KEYNOTE LECTURE

The Jewish Averroists—Linking Thoughts between Maimonides and Spinoza

Hannah Kasher