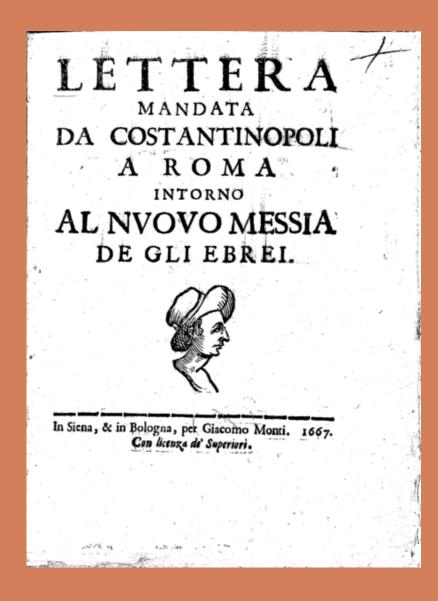
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Sunday, January 20 (Unione delle Comunità Ebraiche Italiane) Centro Bibliografico Tullia Zevi, Lungotevere Raffaello Sanzio, 5

14:30-15:00. Registration15:00. Institutional Greetings15:30-16:30. Chair: Philip Soergel (University of Maryland)

Cristiana Facchini (University of Bologna), Interpreting 'Religious Enthusiasm': A Comparative Approach to Charismatic Religions in the Early Modern Period Claude Stuczynski (Bar-Ilan University), Conversion of Jews in Catholic Millenarian Thought Jacob Barnai (University of Haifa), Italy as a Transit Land for Sabbateanism 16:30-17:00. Discussion

17:00-17:15. Coffee Break

17:15-18:15. Chair: Myriam Silvera (University of Rome Tor Vergata)

Noam Lefler (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), The Italian Theological Laboratory

Joseph Levi (Shema' Florence School for Jewish Studies and Culture), Science, Rationalism, Kabbalah, and Sabbateanism in Jewish Intellectual History (Early 17th to mid-18th Centuries) Roni Weinstein (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), The Sabbatean Movement: An Ottoman Perspective 18:15-19:15. General Discussion

20:00. Conference Dinner

Monday, January 21 (Aula Multimediale) Sapienza - Università di Roma, Palazzo del Rettorato, Piazzale Aldo Moro, 5

9:00. Institutional Greetings

9:30-10:30. Chair: Marina Caffiero (Sapienza - University of Rome)

Moshe Idel (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), The Visit of R. Nathan of Gaza to Italy

Rachele Jesurum (University of Bologna), Binyamin ben El'azar Coen Vitale di Reggio (1651-1730)

Nourit Melcer Padon (Hadassah Academic College in Jerusalem), Catching One's Devil: Dan Tsalka's Version of the Joseph de la Reyna Story

10:30-11:00. Discussion

11:00-11:15. Coffee Break

11:15-12:00. Chair: Stefano Villani (University of Maryland)

Shai Alleson Gerberg (Johns Hopkins University), Burnt by the Sun: The Hayon Controversy, Voices from Italy

Bernard Dov Cooperman (University of Maryland), Reactions to Nehemiah Hiya Hayon in Livorno and Pisa

12:00-12:30. Discussion

12:30-14:30. Lunch

14:30-16:30. Chair: Margherita Mantovani (Sapienza - University of Rome / University of Pisa)

José Alberto Rodrigues da Silva Tavim (The Centre for History of the University of Lisbon), António Garcia Soldani's Anti-Sabbatean Pamphlet (1663): A Converted Livornese Jew Traces the Failure of the 'Jewish Messiah'

**Elad Schlesinger (Ben Gurion University of the Negev**), Esoterism and the Book Hemdat Yamim: Rabbi Haim Yosef David Azulai and Sabbatean-Lurianic Practices in Eighteenth-Century Livorno

15:15-16:45. Discussion

16:45-17:15. Coffee Break

17:15-18:00. Chair: Vittorio Frajese (Sapienza - University of Rome)

Massimo Moretti (Sapienza - University of Rome), Headwear and Identity in the Iconography of Sabbetai Zevi and Nathan of Gaza

**Brandon Marriott**, Fake News in the First Newspapers: The Portrayal of Christian Millenarianism and Jewish Messianism in Seventeenth-Century Italy

18:00-19:00

20:00 Conference Dinner

Tuesday, January 22 (Aula Multimediale) Sapienza - Università di Roma, Palazzo del Rettorato, Piazzale Aldo Moro, 5 9:00-9:40. Chair: Yaakov Mascetti (Bar-Ilan University) David Sclar (Harvard University), The RaMHaL Controversy Revisited Matt Goldish (Ohio State University), The Prophetic Network of Rabbi Abraham Rovigo 9:45-10:15. Discussion 10:15-10:30 Coffee Break. 10:30-11:00. Round Table: Judaizing the Italian Renaissance: Three Conferences within an International Research Project Chair: Germano Maifreda (University of Milan) Serena di Nepi (Sapienza - University of Rome), Jaakov A. Mascetti (Bar-Ilan University), Stefano Villani (University of Maryland) 11:00-12:00. Concluding Remarks: Pawel Maciejko (Johns Hopkins University) 12:00-13:00. General Discussion

13:00. Lunch



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