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**Invite the public to
an international
conference**

Europe, Germany and Contemporary Antisemitism

**Sunday
March 15, 2015**

at
**Beit Hatfutsot,
Bnai Zion
Auditorium,
Tel Aviv
University**

(In English)
(No registration necessary)

08:15 – Departure from hotel
9:00-9:20

Greetings:

Prof. Dina Porat - Head of
Kantor Center

Dr. Walter Klitz – Head of
The Friedrich Naumann
Foundation for Liberty

Prof. Julius Schoeps – Head of
the Moses Mendelssohn

9:20-10:10

Prof. Yossi Shain

Europe and Nationalism:
Past, Present and Future

Chair: Dr. Haim Fireberg

10:20-11:10

Prof. Monika Schwarz-Friesel

German Society and the
Language of
Contemporary
Antisemitism

Chair: Dr. Walter Klitz

Coffee Break

11:30-12:20

Prof. Andreas Zick

The Role of Xenophobia and Antisemitism in German Society in an Era of Social Transition

Chair: Dr. Roni Stauber

12:30 – 13:00

Dr. Olaf Glöckner

Discrimination and Hate Crimes against Jews in Germany; A Review Based on FRA Report

Chair: Günther Jikeli

Lunch break

14:30-15:00

Prof. Julius Schoeps

THE WILKOMIRSKI SYNDROME: On the longing and the burning desire to be transformed into a “Jewish” victim

Chair: Dr. Rafi Vago

15:10-17:30

Attitudes towards Minority Groups in Different Societies, a Comparative View:

✓ Prof. Lars Rensmann
Jews, Politicians: The Politics of Antisemitism in Germany

✓ Dr. Günther Jikeli
Attitudes toward Jews Among Muslim Communities in France and Germany

✓ Dr. Matthias Küntzel
Governmental and Societal Attitudes towards Antisemitism of Muslims in Britain and Germany

✓ Ms. Pia Lamberty
Attitudes towards Minorities among Students in Germany -

Chair: Dr. Esti Webman

Coffee Break

17:45 -19:30

Round Table – Europeanism and the Future of European Jewry

✓ Prof. Dina Porat
[Chair]

✓ Prof. Yossi Shain

✓ Prof. Monika Schwarz
Friesel

✓ Prof. Lars Rensmann

✓ Prof. Julius Schoeps

✓ Prof. Andreas Zick

19:30-21:00

Reception and dinner

21:00

Departure to hotel

During the last few years antisemitism is on the rise in Europe. Violent manifestations and physical assaults against Jewish citizens became commonplace. Even more significant, is the sharp rise of the public anti-Semitic discourse. It seems that it has become a 'bon- ton' to be anti-Semitic, sometimes camouflaged by sophisticated use of language. But, should contemporary antisemitism be considered as a 'Jewish problem' only? Or is it a reflection of inherent problems of today's Europe?

We plan to concentrate on the EU States in general, and on Germany in particular. The role of antisemitism in the quest of contemporary European and national identities will be the substance of the deliberations. We will focus on the reasons that cause different groups to adopt antisemitism.

During the conference we intend to analyze the many facets of contemporary antisemitism and its representation in the public sphere, in the media, among politicians, in different social strata, in educated circles, and among minorities.