TUESDAY, November 16

9:30-11:00  Session 7

**Reimund Leicht**, Hebrew University
_Hekhalot Literature and the Development of Medieval Jewish Cosmologies_
Discussion

**Andrei Orlov**, Marquette University
_The Leviathan's Tradition in the Apocalypse of Abraham_
Discussion

11:00-12:30  Session 8

**Gideon Bohak**, Tel Aviv University
_Observations on the Transmission of Hekhalot Literature in the World of the Cairo Genizah_
Discussion

**Ophir Münz-Manor**, The Open University
_The Reception and Transmission of Hekhalot Traditions in European Piyyut_
Discussion

12:30 -2:30  Lunch

Participants:
Gideon Bohak, Tel Aviv University
Ra’anan Boustan, University of California, Los Angeles
Martha Himmelfarb, Princeton University
Rachel Elior, Hebrew University
Reimund Leicht, Hebrew University
Rebecca Lesses, Ithaca College
Ophir Münz-Manor, The Open University
Michael Meerson, Princeton University
Andrei Orlov, Marquette University
Annette Reed, University of Pennsylvania
Peter Schäfer, Princeton University
Shaul Shaked, Hebrew University
Alexei Sivertsev, DePaul University
Michael Swartz, Ohio State University
Moulie Vidas, University of California, Davis
Steven Wasserstrom, Reed College

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SUNDAY, November 14

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12:30-1:50 Lunch

1:50-3:30 Session 1

Welcome - Peter Schäfer

Shaul Shaked, Hebrew University
Magic Bowls and Hekhalot: The Significance of this Combination
Discussion

Michael Meerson, Princeton University
Rites of Passage in Magic and Mysticism
Discussion

3:30-4:00 Coffee break

4:00-5:30 Session 2

Rachel Elior, Hebrew University
Priestly Traditions in Hekhalot Literature and in the Targum as a Reflection of the Tension between Beit Hakneset and Beit Hamidrash
Discussion

Michael Swartz, Ohio State University
From Byzantium to Babylonia and Back: New Sources, Palestinian Judaism and the History of Hekhalot Literature
Discussion

6:00 Dinner

MONDAY, November 15

9:30-11:00 Session 3

Ra’anan Boustan, University of California, Los Angeles
The Two Thrones: Ezekiel, Solomon, and Byzantine Court Ceremonial
Discussion

Alexei Sivertsev, DePaul University
King’s Many Bodies: The Demise of Emperor Lupinus Revisited
Discussion

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-1:00 Session 4

Peter Schäfer, Princeton University
Metatron in Babylonia
Discussion

Moulie Vidas, University of California, Davis
Sar Ha-Torah, Hekhalot and the Babylonian Academies
Discussion

1:00-2:30 Lunch

2:30-4:00 Session 5

Annette Reed, University of Pennsylvania
Rethinking (Jewish-)Christian Evidence for Jewish Mysticism
Discussion

Steven Wasserstrom, Reed College
Hekhalot Literature in the Early Islamic World
Discussion

4:00-4:30 Coffee Break

4:30-6:00 Session 6

Martha Himmelfarb, Princeton University
Hekhalot Pseudepigraphy in Late Antique Context
Discussion

Rebecca Lesses, Ithaca College
Gender and Women in the Hekhalot Literature
Discussion

6:30 Dinner