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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13

6:00 p.m.–6:15 p.m.  Opening Remarks
Michael L. Miller (CEU, Hungary)

6:15 p.m.–7:15 p.m.  Keynote Address
Michael K. Silber (Hebrew University of Jerusalem): Was the Hungarian Jewish Schism Inevitable?

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14

10:00–10:10  Welcome
Andreas Braemer (Institute for the History of German Jews, Hamburg)

Session 1  10:10 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
SCHISM AND EDUCATION
Moderator: Andreas Braemer (Institute for the History of German Jews, Hamburg)

Carsten Wilke (CEU, Hungary):
Orthodoxy’s Stronghold: The Educational Policies of the Pressburg Yeshiva and Their Bearing on the Hungarian Jewish Schism

Mirjam Thulin (Simon-Dubnow-Institut, Leipzig):
The Controversies over the Rabbinical Seminary in Budapest

Coffee Break

Victor Karady (CEU, Hungary):
The Imprint of Religious Divisions on Schooling Strategies in the Habsburg Monarchy, 1850-1914

Session 2  1:30 p.m.–2:45 p.m.
IMPACT OF THE SCHISM ON RELIGIOUS PRACTICE
Moderator: Gábor Balázs (Israeli Cultural Institute, Hungary)

Shlomo Spitzer (Bar-Ilan University, Israel):
The Schism in Hungary and Its Influence on Halakhah

Maoz Kahana (Hebrew University of Jerusalem):
Hungarian-Jewish Hasidic Society after the Schism: the Dual-Meaning of an Enclave Society

Coffee Break

Session 3  2:45 p.m.–4:45 p.m.
THE SOUNDS AND SITES OF SCHISM
Moderator: Zsuzsa Toronyi (Hungarian Jewish Archive, Hungary)

Rudolf Klein (St. Stephen University, Hungary):
The Architecture of Schism: Neolog and Orthodox Synagogues in Historical Hungary

Judith Frigyesi (Bar-Ilan University, Israel):
Neolog and Orthodox: Music as the Fundamental Expression of Contrasting Attitudes

Coffee Break

Session 4  3:15 p.m.–5:45 p.m.
THE JEWISH CONGRESS: REVERBERATIONS ABROAD
Moderator: Gyorgy Haraszti (Institute of History of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences / Jewish Theological Seminary – Jewish University in Budapest)

Andreas Braemer (Institute for the History of German Jews, Hungary):
The ‘Jewish Congress’ in Hungary - German Responses and Reactions

Rachel Manekin (University of Maryland, USA):
The Schism that Never Happened: the Case of Galicia

Yeshayahu Balog (University of Tübingen, Germany):
Koppel Reich and Samson Raphael Hirsch. A Comparative Perspective

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15

11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.  Lunch Break

Session 4  1:00 p.m.–2:45 p.m.
SEPARATISM AND NAZI RULE IN EUROPE
Moderator: Mária M. Kovács (CEU, Hungary)

Guy Miron (Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies, Israel):
Emanicipation Reconsidered: Hungarian Jewish Orthodoxy and the Jewish Laws, 1938–1944

Isaac Hershkovitz (Bar-Ilan University and Yad Vashem, Israel):
The Rise of Nazi Germany and Hungarian Jewish Life: Reconsiderations of Hungarian Orthodox Separatism in the 1930s

2:45 p.m.–3:15 p.m.  Coffee Break

Session 5  3:15 p.m.–5:45 p.m.
UNIFICATION AND DIVISION IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY
Moderator: Gábor Kádár (ELTE, Hungary)

Michael L. Miller (CEU, Hungary):
A House Reunited? Communist Unification of Hungarian Jewry after the Shoah

Alice Freefeld (University of Florida, Gainesville):
Displaced Hungarian Jewish Identity, 1945–48

András Kovács (CEU, Hungary):
Neolog and Orthodox Jewish Identities in Post-Communist Hungary

Coffee Break

Session 6  4:45 p.m.–7:00 p.m.
HUNGARIAN SEPARATISM IN THE NEW WORLD
Moderator: Gábor Schweitzer (Institute for Legal Sciences of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences)

Adam S. Ferziger (Bar-Ilan University, Israel):
Debating Hungarian Separatism in the New World: The Hirschenson-Greenwald Exchange of 1927-28

Marc Shapiro (University of Scranton, USA):
Hungarian Ultra-Orthodoxy and its Post-World War II Halakhic Legacy: The Case of Rabbi Menashe Klein

Coffee Break

David Myers (UCLA, USA):
Hungarian Orthodoxy in the New World: Religion and Politics in Kiryas Joel, New York

Matthias Mengotten (University of Tübingen, Germany):
‘Ungarn’ in New York, Berlin and Jerusalem – Remarks on the History of Hungarian Orthodoxy in the Jewish World

Session 7  6:15 p.m.–7:00 p.m.
Closing Reflections and Final Discussion
THE LEGACY OF THE SCHISM
Moderator: Adam S. Ferziger (Bar-Ilan University, Israel)