

From Nomadism to Monarchy?

“The Archaeology of the Settlement Period”
Thirty Years Later

Wednesday–Thursday, 15–16 March 2017



József Molnár, Ábrahám kiköltözése (1850)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15

12:45 Gathering

13:00 Welcome and Introduction

Oded Lipschits, Omer Sergi, and Ido Koch
(Tel Aviv University)

SESSION 1 | 13:15–14:30

Chair: Ido Koch (Tel Aviv University)

Philistines, Canaanites and Egyptians:
The Early 12th Century BCE Revisited

Shirly Ben-Dor Evian (The Israel Museum, Jerusalem
and Tel Aviv University)

Settlement Oscillations in the Southern Levant
in Light of Climate Changes

Dafna Langgut (Tel Aviv University)

Notes on Scribal Practices in the Early Iron II

David Vanderhooft (Boston College)

14:30 Break

SESSION 2 | 15:00–16:15

Chair: Omer Sergi (Tel Aviv University)

The Book of Josiah or the Book of Joshua?
Excavating the Literary History
of the Story of the Conquest

Cynthia Edenburg (Open University of Israel)

Geographical Observations on the
Old North Israelite Tales in Judges

Oded Lipschits (Tel Aviv University)

The Role of the Ark in the Conquest
Accounts and in the Book of Samuel

Thomas Römer (Collège de France and
University of Lausanne)

16:15 Coffee Break

SESSION 3 | 16:45–18:25

Chair: Yuval Gadot (Tel Aviv University)

Under Hazor's Shadow:
The Upper Jordan Valley in the Iron I
Assaf Kleiman (Tel Aviv University)

Sixty Years after Aharoni: A New Look at the Iron I
Settlement in the Upper Galilee

Ido Wachtel (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

The Early Iron Age in the Northern
Coastal Plain (Western Galilee)

Gunnar Lehmann (Ben Gurion University
of the Negev)

Canaanites in a Changing World:

The Jezreel Valley during the Iron I

Eran Arie (The Israel Museum, Jerusalem)

THURSDAY, MARCH 16

11:45 Gathering

SESSION 4 | 12:00–13:15

Chair: David Vanderhooft (Boston College)

An Untold Story: The Human-like Figures
and the Snake on an Architectural Model
from Beth-Shean's Northern Temple

Tallay Ornan (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

Late Bronze/Iron Age Animal Economy:
Continuity vs. Change

Lidar Sapir-Hen (Tel Aviv University)

Production Autonomy to Centralization:
The Iron I-IIA Transition from a
Metallurgical Perspective

Naama Yahalom-Mack (The Hebrew University
of Jerusalem)

13:15 Break

SESSION 5 | 13:45–15:00

Chair: Dafna Langgut (Tel Aviv University)

The Iron I Settlement of Tall Zirā'a in Northern
Jordan: Transitions between the Late Bronze Age
and the Iron II

Dieter Vieweger (German Protestant Institute
of Archaeology Jerusalem and Amman [DEI],
University of Wuppertal [BU])

From Communities to Kingdoms across
Western Jordan: Tracing Uneven
Trajectories of Development

Benjamin Porter (University of California, Berkeley)

A False Contrast? On the Possibility of Nomadic
Monarchy in the Iron I Arabah (Early Edom)
in Light of Recent Research

Erez Ben-Yosef (Tel Aviv University)

15:00 Coffee Break

SESSION 6 | 15:30–17:10

Chair: Erez Ben-Yosef (Tel Aviv University)

Societal Transformations in Southwest Canaan
during the Late Second Millennium BCE

Ido Koch (Tel Aviv University)

Like Frogs out of a Pond: Identity Formation
in Early Iron Age Philistia and Beyond

Aren Maeir (Bar Ilan University)

The Many Beginnings of Israel:
An Archaeological and Historical Perspective
from the Central Canaanite Hill Country

Omer Sergi (Tel Aviv University)

Were There Israelites?

The Demographic, Cultural and Political Change
of the Iron I “Highlanders”

Yuval Gadot (Tel Aviv University)

17:10 Break

SESSION 7 | 17:40–19:10

Chair: Oded Lipschits (Tel Aviv University)

Greetings

Leo Corry (Dean, The Lester and Sally Entin
Faculty of Humanities, Tel Aviv University)

Ran Barkai (Chair, The Jacob M. Alkow
Department of Archeology and Ancient
Near Eastern Cultures, Tel Aviv University)

Oded Lipschits (Director, The Sonia and Marco
Nadler Institute of Archaeology, Tel Aviv
University)

Awarding of Scholarships

The Rise of the Israelite Monarchy in Retrospective
Nadav Na'aman (Tel Aviv University)

The Rise of Ancient Israel:
The Need for Revision on Almost Every Front
Israel Finkelstein (Tel Aviv University)