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The Center for Jewish Studies at Arizona State University (ASU) and Institute of Jewish Studies at Jagiellonian University welcome you to *From Galicia to New York: Salo W. Baron and His Legacy*, an international research conference commemorating and examining the intellectual legacy of Salo W. Baron.

In 2012, the Center for Jewish Studies at Arizona State University (ASU) and Institute of Jewish Studies at Jagiellonian University in Kraków, Poland inaugurated a formal collaboration, in the interest of paving the way to a new understanding of the Jewish past, in the larger context of western history, religion, and culture. Together, they convened a research symposium examining the revival of Jewish Studies, and the proceedings were published in a recent issue of the journal, *Scripta Judaica Cracoviensia*.

“From Galicia to New York: Salo W. Baron and His Legacy” is the next step in this scholarly collaboration: a conference to honor and consider the scholarly work of Salo Wittmayer Baron, whose 120th birthday is celebrated on May 26, 2015. Since Professor Baron’s outstanding scholarship was a joint effort with his wife, Jeannette M. Baron, the conference will honor her memory and her contribution to scholarship, as well.

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Day 1 | Tuesday, May 26 | Kraków

afternoon **Optional Kraków Tour**

late evening **Conference Opening Reception**
A celebration of Salo Baron's birthday

Day 2 | Wednesday, May 27 | Collegium Maius, Jagiellonian University downtown Kraków

9:00 **morning coffee**

9:30-12:00 **Welcomes**

Introduction
Baron at the Jagiellonian University
Edyta Gawron *Jagiellonian University*

Keynote Address
Salo Baron's Legacy and Polish-Jewish History Today
Antony Polonsky *Brandeis University*

12:00-13:30 **lunch**

13:30-15:30 **Session 1: Ancient and Medieval History**
chair: Hava Tirosh-Samuelson *Arizona State University*

S.W. Baron's Views on History of Ancient Israel: the Hasmonean Period
Edward Dąbrowa *Jagiellonian University*

Jews and Judaism in the Roman World since Baron
Martin Goodman *Oxford University - Wolfson College*

The Foundations of the Baron Histories
Robert Chazan *New York University*

15:30-16:00 **coffee break**

16:00-18:00 **Session 2: Eastern and Central European Studies**
chair: Edward Dąbrowa *Jagiellonian University*

Better Diaspora? S.W. Baron on Polish-Lithuanian Jewry
Adam Kaźmierczyk *Jagiellonian University*

Salo Baron and East European Jewry: a Case of Baronian Lachrymosity
Michael Stanislawski *Columbia University*

**Polish Jewry in Research and Activities of Salo W. Baron
and His Pupil Abraham Gordon Duker**
Michał Galas *Jagiellonian University*

19:00 **dinner**

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Day 3 | Thursday, May 28 | Museum Galicia, Jewish Quarter in Kazimierz

- 9:30-10:30 **Session 3: Jewish Social Studies**
chair: Anna Cichopek-Gajraj *Arizona State University*
- Salo Baron: the Historian as Witness**
David Myers *University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)*
- Salo Baron on the Transformative Power of Early Capitalism**
Todd Endelman *University of Michigan, emeritus*
- 10:30-10:45 **coffee break**
- 10:45-12:45 **Session 4: The Methodology of Jewish Historiography**
chair: Michał Galas *Jagiellonian University*
- The Landscape of Jewish Studies in the 1930s and 1940s:
Gleanings from Salo W. Baron's Correspondence**
Zachary Baker *Stanford University*
- Rescue Efforts of Salo W. Baron for His Austrian Students and Colleagues
after March 1938**
Evelyn Adunka *Trinity College*
- The Victory of Emancipation: Salo Baron on the Postwar 'Jewish Question'**
Gil Rubin *Columbia University*
- 12:45-14:00 **lunch**
- 14:00-16:00 **Session 5: American Jewish History**
chair: Edyta Gawron *Jagiellonian University*
- Salo Baron: an American**
Hasia Diner *New York University*
- Jews, Race, and the Price of Admission:
Salo Baron's Concept of Emancipation in the American Context**
Eric Goldstein *Emory University*
- Salo Baron and the Vitality of American Jewry**
Beth Wenger *University of Pennsylvania*
- 16:00-16:15 **coffee break**
- 16:15-18:15 **Session 6: Baron and Galicia**
chair: Anna Cichopek-Gajraj *Arizona State University*
- Being Jewish in Fin de Siècle Galicia: Legacies, Opportunities, Loyalties**
Rachel Manekin *University of Maryland*
- A Zionist Who Spoke Hebrew: Salo Baron in Vienna**
Marsha Rozenblit *University of Maryland*
- Salo Baron and the Jewish Historiography in Galicia**
Natalia Aleksion *Touro College*
- 19:00 **concert and dinner**
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Day 4 | Friday, May 29 | Regional Museum in Tarnów

9:00 **bus to Tarnów**

10:30-12:00 **Tour of Jewish Tarnów**
chair: Michał Galas *Jagiellonian University*

Janusz Koziół *Regional Museum in Tarnów*

Kinga Smółka *Regional Museum in Tarnów*

12:00-13:30 **lunch**
Restaurant Tatrzańska

14:00-16:00 **On the Baron Family in Tarnów: Official Presentations**
The City Hall - Ratusz

Welcome

The Baron Family: a Personal Perspective
Shoshana Tancer *Daughter of Salo W. Baron*

Jews in Tarnów: an Outline
Janusz Koziół *Regional Museum in Tarnów*

Salo W. Baron Family from the Perspectives of Tombstone Inscriptions
Leszek Hońdo *Jagiellonian University*

Zvi Ankori and the Baron Family
Adam Bartosz *Regional Museum in Tarnów*

Closing of the conference and a glass of wine

16:30 **bus to Kraków**

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