

Research

Research is one of the three cornerstones of the Open University, alongside course development and teaching. OUI faculty members conduct a broad range of research in a variety of fields, including humanities, social sciences, natural and life sciences, exact sciences, and engineering.

The Dean of Research, Prof. Manor Mendel, has overall responsibility for the OUI Research Authority, the research institutes, and compliance with the code of ethics. The dean of research also serves as chairman of the board of OpMop Ltd., the Open University's technology transfer subsidiary.

The Research Authority

The Research Authority (RA) encourages OUI faculty research by providing assistance in identifying external sources of funding and in submitting proposals. Researchers also receive direct support from an internal fund which supplies research grants, scholarships for research students, and travel expenses to facilitate presentation of research at scientific conferences abroad.

The RA is responsible for the financial and administrative monitoring of research proposals which have received funding, and for managing researchers' budgets. It also sponsors workshops to help applicants submit proposals for external grants, and provides the physical infrastructure and manpower needed to carry out research, as well as encouraging collaboration between OUI researchers and colleagues at other universities.

The RA Steering Committee is comprised of four senior academic faculty members from different disciplines. The committee, chaired by the dean of research, evaluates funding applications and determines criteria for the allocation of the internal fund's resources.

News and Developments

- MA thesis pilot: The departments of Education and Psychology; Sociology, Political Science and Communication; and Mathematics and Computer Science are supporting a program to advance research theses for outstanding students. The RA has helped define the program and provides advisory services, as well as supervising potential study subjects (primarily from the education and psychology dept.). It also administers infrastructure, budget, and follow-up of payments to participants.
- The RA's steering committee has updated the criteria for applying for research grants from the university's internal fund. The current model is three dates per annum for submission for advanced study grants and a single date for other grants.

Research Authority Events

Ethics Information Day

In March 2017, the Open University hosted Ethics Information Day based on the EU Horizon 2020 program. University researchers were introduced to tools applied by the EU in addressing issues of ethics. The program was broadcast via video conference. Head of the Ethics Unit, Dr. Isidoros Karatzas, provided a general explanation of the Horizon 2020 code of ethics. The second section included a presentation on issues of ethics, broadcast by Prof. Julian Kinderlerer, President of the European Group on Ethics (EGE). Shai Newman, CEO of Compedia Ltd., presented the third section, illustrating examples of ethical issues faced by Israeli researchers involved in European research.

Scientists' Night

This event has been held annually since 2007 in Israel and Europe under the joint sponsorship of the Ministry of Science, Technology, and Space, together with the European Union. The goal is to introduce the general public to academic research. This year's theme was "The Future of

Humanity 2050." The event was attended by 3000 people, including high school students, university students, faculty members, and Open University employees and their families. Lectures were delivered by university researchers and outside speakers. A selection of workshops and other activities were offered, as well as meetings with scientists and tours of laboratories.

Research Centers

The three research centers at the Open University provide a scientific, institutional and practical framework for research, which allows interdisciplinary and reciprocal cooperation. The centers help researchers generate new scientific knowledge, participate in the mutual exchange of ideas, and foster cooperation with other researchers and experts in Israel and abroad.

The Institute for Policy Analysis

The Institute for Policy Analysis, headed by Dr. Izhak Berkovich, is an interdisciplinary center dedicated to the promotion of research on theoretical, empirical and applied subjects related to the correlation between policy formation and implementation, and social, political and economic processes and mechanisms. The Institute encourages research focusing on Israel and abroad, comparative studies, and research examining the global and international dimensions of policy formation and implementation. In order to create a vibrant and productive research environment for scholars from different fields, the Institute organizes local and international seminars and conferences, publishes a series of working papers, and provides research assistance to its members.

The Institute was founded in 2011 and its members consist of most of the Open University's social sciences faculty. Its focus is the analysis of policies and current social issues. To date, two edited volumes have been published on the subject of military service for the ultra-Orthodox and the militarization of the education system.

Events sponsored by the Institute:

Seminars:

- The Army and the Market Economy
- The Applications of Investigation in Civic Organizations
- Organizations, Work and the Body

The Institute also provides support for research studies by members of the Institute and provides assistance in funding the publication of peer-reviewed publications.

Research Center for Innovation in Learning Technologies

The Center, headed by Prof. Nitza Geri, explores the integration of innovative technologies with teaching and learning processes. The Center encourages studies by OUI faculty members aimed at improving the understanding of teaching and learning processes in a technology-rich environment and the integration of new technologies into the teaching of courses in the world of academia, and at the Open University in particular. The Center was established in 2010 to replace the Chais Center for the Integration of Technology in Education, which was founded in 2004. Fifty faculty members from various departments and one part-time research fellow are currently carrying out research at the Center. Close cooperation is maintained with Shoham and the Center is dedicated to maintaining strong ties among the Israeli research community. To this end, it organizes regular academic events, including research seminars, symposia, and conferences.

In 2016-2017, the Center held three main symposia that were open to the general public: "Between Fraud and Honesty in Academic Studies;" "The Managerial Challenge of the 21st Century," in collaboration with the Department of Management and Economics to mark the publication of *Management, Technology and Innovation* by Prof. Yoram Kalman, a member of the Research Center; and "Using Technology to Improve Academic Success by Increasing Identity-Based Motivation" and "The Challenges of Time Zone Differences in Global Virtual Team Work" with the participation of guest lecturers from the 2017 Chais Conference.

The Center jointly organized the 11th conference on "Literacy and Language," together with the Department of Education and Psychology and the Israel Association for Literacy and Language. In a separate series of events, members of the Center, along with guest researchers and post-graduate students under the Center's auspices, presented the findings of their research projects during six seminar sessions.

Selected studies conducted with the support of the Center are listed below:

- **Dr. Ina Blau, Dr. Gal Ben-Yehudah, and Prof. Yoram Eshet:** "Development of Digital Literacy Skills: Teaching Hebrew to Hebrew- and Arabic-Speaking Pupils through Digital Textbooks and Digital Learning Materials". The research was awarded a grant from the Chief Scientist of the Ministry of Education.
- **Prof. Yoram Kalman, Prof. Marco Kalz, and Eyal Rabin:** "Digital Innovation and Business Models in Higher Education"
- **Dr. Vered Silber-Varod, Prof. Yoram Eshet, and Prof. Nitza Geri:** "Identifying Digital Literacy Research Trends in the Educational Field"
- **Dr. Adi Brann and Dr. Gal Ben-Yehudah:** "The Influence of Self-Regulated Learning on the Comprehension of Digital Text: A Comparison of University Students with and without ADHD"
- **Prof. Nitza Geri, Amir Winer, and Beni Zaks:** "Probing the Effect of Interactivity in Online Video Lectures on the Attention Span of Students: A Learning Analytics Approach"
- **Prof. Mary Anne Heng and Dr. Ina Blau:** "Adolescents finding purpose: Comparing Types of Purpose and Life Satisfaction in the Context of Singaporean and Israeli Education"
- **Dr. Vered Silber-Varod, Dr. Ina Blau, and Ronit Lis-Hacohen:** "Gender in Shared Navigation: Men to Mars, Women to Venus?"
- **Dr. Tamar Shamir-Inbal and Dr. Ina Blau:** "Promoting Digital Wisdom through Partnership of Students in Pedagogical Design of an Academic Course"

Chais Conference 2017

The 2017 Chais Conference was the 12th in a series of annual research conferences organized by the Center for Innovation in Learning Technologies. The conference provides a forum for prominent researchers and learning technology professionals in Israel, and provides a platform for them to present findings and advancements in the field. It thus contributes to shaping Israel's learning technology

research community and establishing the Open University as a leader in the field.

The two-day conference was attended by 500 participants from most of the country's academic institutions, as well as representatives of commercial companies and organizations. Some 36 articles and 42 posters were presented. In her opening lecture, Prof. Daphna Oysermann, of the University of Southern California, spoke on "Using Technology to Improve Academic Success by Increasing Identity-Based Motivation;" Prof. Erran Carmel of the American University, Washington DC, delivered a lecture on "The Future of Work and the Workplace and some Implications for Lifelong Learning." The closing lecture by Prof. Yair Levy of Nova Southeastern University was entitled "Cyber Security and Social Engineering: Growing Threats."

The conference closed with a discussion panel in memory of the late Prof. Gavriel Salomon on "Critical Thinking on the Integration of Technology in Learning." Meirav Salomon gave a speech commemorating her father. Prof. Sheizaf Refaeli mediated the panel, which consisted of Dr. Amnon Dekel, Dr. Yuval Dror and Prof. Yoram Eshet. Selected articles from the conference are published annually in a special edition of the *Interdisciplinary Journal of e-Skills and Lifelong Learning*.

The Center for the Study of Relations between Jews, Christians, Muslims

The Center for the Study of Relations between Jews, Christians, Muslims (JCM) is headed by Prof. Mustafa Kabha and comprises forty researchers, most affiliated with the Open University and some representing other academic institutions. The Center and its goals are a lively source of interest among researchers in Israel and abroad. Some have joined the research team and take part in projects to promote the study of relations between the three monotheistic religions. The Center's diverse research contributes to its public role of deepening understanding of the religions and the interaction between them, and presenting the research findings to the general public. Cooperative ventures are undertaken with various other research bodies in Israel and abroad, aimed at encouraging the study of the central subjects addressed by the Center.

Research groups sponsored by the Center

- "The Different Aspects of Ancient Christianity and Judeo-Christian Relations in the First Century of the Christian Era," with a focus on "The Question of the Parting of the Ways between Judaism and Christianity." The group includes 13 researchers from the Open University and other academic institutions.

During the year, the group organized several meetings focusing on its core research subjects. **Dr. Yaakov (Yanki) Tepler** spoke on "The trial of Rabbi Eliezer Ben Hurcanus and the Parting of the Ways"; and **Dr. Motti Aviam** on "Archeological-Geographical Findings in the Galilee in the First Century of the Christian Era and whether they yield information on the Birth of Christianity."

The group also convened to prepare an anthology of articles on ancient Christianity through the eyes of Israeli researchers. The anthology is undergoing editing prior to publication (in English) with the Center's sponsorship.

- The "Defining Borders – Identity Formation in a Multi-Religious and Multi-Cultural Environment" group comprises four members from the Open University and other academic institutions, as well as three research assistants. The jointly written article "'We were here first': Guiding Jewish Israeli pupils at Christian sites" was published in *Israel Studies*.

The group devoted its meetings over the past year to preparations for the publication of a book containing articles authored by group members, which was awarded a writing grant by the Center.

- A third research group comprises 17 Open University researchers studying "Time: History, Theory, Culture," with a focus on the way in which the three monotheistic religions and cultures coped, and continue to deal with the question of time.

Divan Workshops – Presenting and discussing research, and meeting with veteran researchers

- A meeting was held to commemorate the late Dr. Hagar Hillel. **Dr. Noga Efrati** of the Open University's Department of History, Philosophy and Judaic Studies presented "Feminist Activism in Iraq before and after Saddam: Change or Continuity?"

- **Mr. Shuli Dichter** presented "An Outline for Communal Life between Jews and Arabs in Israel" (from his book *On Tensions and Good Intentions*).
- **Prof. Itzhak Weismann** presented "Abd al-Rahman al-Kawakibi: An Organic Intellectual in Ottoman Aleppo."
- **Dr. Netanel Fisher** presented "Religion and Migration: A Hundred Years of non-Jewish Immigration to Israel – a Comparative View."
- **Dr. Moshe Berent** presented "Does an Israeli Nation Exist?"

Workshops and International Conferences

The 6th Annual JCM Conference: "Religions and their Ways of Coping with Secularization and Modernization: Judaism, Christianity, Islam" took place at the OUI campus in Ra'anana.

Research Infrastructure

It is Open University policy to encourage collaborative ventures with other academic institutions with a view to finding solutions for faculty members in need of research testing facilities. In the past year independent laboratories were established for two OUI researchers:

- A lab for Dr. Einat Hazkani-Covo of the Department of Natural Sciences at Beit Hatfutsot on the Tel Aviv University campus.
- A lab for Dr. Yair Ben-Haim of the Department of Natural Sciences at the Biotechnology Park at Hadassah Medical Center, Ein Kerem.

Research Code of Ethics

It is the task of the Institutional Ethics Commission to ensure that research conducted at the OUI complies with the code of ethics of scientific disciplines, as well as the university's own ethical criteria. The commission includes six senior faculty members representing the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and exact sciences.

In addition to the Institutional Commission, departmental sub-committees are in operation. A representative of the Institutional Ethics Commission serves as chairman and other members consist of senior and teaching faculty members.

Individual Research Grants by External Funds

During the past year, 11 grants and fellowships were awarded by external research funds.

Grants from the Israel Science Foundation

- **Dr. Reut Itzkovitch-Malka**, Dept. of Sociology, Political Science, and Communication, "The Substantive Representation of Women in Israel: A Framework for Analysis, and the Normative and Empirical Consequences for Israeli Democracy"
- **Dr. Sharon Arieli**, Dept. of Management and Economics, "The Role of Cultural Identity in the Quest for Meaning at Work"
- **Prof. Tal Makovski**, Dept. of Education and Psychology, "The Long Term Consequences of Visual Working Memory Reveal New Insights on its Properties"
- **Prof. Inbal Ofer**, Dept. of History, Philosophy, and Judaic Studies, "Urban Social Movements and the Unbounded City: The Case of the Spanish Citizens' Movement (1975-1982)"
- **Prof. Zeev Rozenhek**, Dept. of Sociology, Political Science, and Communication, (with **Prof. Daniel Maman**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev), "The Making of Homo Financius: The Emergence and Development of Financial Literacy in Israel"
- **Dr. Baruch Ziv**, Dept. of Natural Sciences (with two researchers from Tel Aviv University), "Advanced Identification and Classification Methods for Red Sea Troughs and their Active Phase, Applied for Related Evolution Scenarios and Future Changes Prediction"

Workshop Grants

- **Prof. Iris Shagrir**, Dept. of History, Philosophy, and Judaic Studies, "Representing City and Community in Medieval Liturgy and Arts"

Grants from other external funds

- **Dr. Diamanta Benson-Karhi and Dr. Ofer Levi**, Dept. of Mathematics and Computer Science (with Prof. Zeev Wiesman and Prof. Charles Linder) "Facile Multi-Dimensional Proton LF-NMR Relaxation Biosensor System for Monitoring of Bio-Waste Conversion Process to Biofuels and By-Products"
- **Dr. Ina Blau, Dr. Gal Ben-Yehudah, and Prof. Yoram Eshet**, Dept. of Education and Psychology, were awarded a grant from the Chief Scientist of the Ministry of Education for research on "Development of Digital Literacy Skills: Teaching Hebrew to Hebrew and Arabic-Speaking Pupils through Digital Textbooks and Digital Learning Materials."
- **Dr. Ofer Reany**, Dept. of Natural Sciences (with Prof. Gabriel Lemcof, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev) received a Kamin grant from the Economics Ministry for research on "Thermal and Photochemical Polymerization of Dicyclopentadiene (DCPD) Monomers for Innovative Applications in 3-D printing."
- **Dr. Noam Shental**, Dept. of Mathematics and Computer Science, was awarded a grant from the Ministry of Agriculture for research on "Heterosis Breeding for Resilient Barley Assisted by Compressed-sensing Genotyping and Remote Sensing Phenomics."

Two of the studies awarded grants from external funds are briefly described below:

Dr. Ofer Reany and Prof. Gabriel Lemcoff, "Thermal and Photochemical Polymerization of Dicyclopentadiene (DCPD) Monomers for Innovative Applications in 3-D Printing"

Today, many companies in Israel and abroad shift from printing technologies, which are mainly based on the ability to apply materials while controlling the location and quantity by print deposition, to new areas that are not graphic. This innovative field of activity is called "functional printing," which includes the production of printing components for electronic circuits, the construction of 3D objects for medical purposes, sensors, batteries and superconductors, solar cells, transparent films with electrical conductivity, badges, etc. However, so far there has been no breakthrough in barriers that prevent the commercialization of these new technologies.

The basic research on which the joint project is based includes two promising research directions: the first deals with the development of Ru-catalysts with sulfur-based ligands for ROMP (ring closing metathesis polymerization) processes. The Ru-complexes have high stability and durability and can be stored at room temperatures for a long time without their catalytic activity being impaired. Another advantage is that the catalysts are "latent," that is, they are not chemically active at room temperature but can be thermally and/or photochemically (350 nm) activated.

The proposed research program seeks to examine the implementation and application of thermo- and/or photo-ROMP using dicyclopentadiene (DCPD) derivatives that will be incorporated into commercial ink formulations and can be applied in three-dimensional printing using laser-induced forward transfer (LIFT) or stereolithographic printings. The resulting polymers are cross-linked type polymers with a number of significant advantages over other existing polymers currently in the development and commercialization of ink formulations. The success of the project will be highlighted in the ability to polymerize ink wherein the embedded polymers will enjoy thermal stability and mechanical strength, which makes the widespread use of hardening materials more difficult for ink formulation, thus increasing the possibility of functional application of three-dimensional printing.

Dr. Ina Blau, Dr. Gal Ben-Yehudah, and Prof. Yoram Eshet: "Development of Digital Literacy Skills: Teaching Hebrew to Hebrew and Arabic-Speaking Pupils through Digital Textbooks and Digital Learning Materials"

Digital literacy refers to a set of cognitive, social, and emotional competences, whose development is crucial for effective technology-enhanced learning and teaching and, specifically, the instruction of language skills (e.g., reading comprehension). This study examines teaching-learning processes in digital learning with an emphasis on the effectiveness of strategies for the development of core digital competences. Given the importance of developing digital competences, the proposed research will focus on the effective strategies that teachers and students use to promote core digital competences in language studies. The

study will be conducted in three stages: (1) a comprehensive mapping and classification of strategies used to foster core digital competences in Hebrew language studies, in Hebrew-speaking and Arabic-speaking schools; (2) a series of field experiments to examine the effectiveness of explicit instruction of prominent strategies on digital competences and linguistic abilities; and (3) designing a professional development program for pedagogic teams in Hebrew language studies to promote effective strategies for the development of core digital competences. This study will provide education policymakers with tools for making evidence-based decisions concerning effective methods for the development of core digital competences through the use of digital textbooks and content developed by teachers in Hebrew language studies. This, in turn, will pave the way for the professional development of teachers who will foster digital competences among their students in Hebrew language studies. Over time, mastery of the core digital competences will result in more effective learning from digital materials and, consequently, improve reading comprehension and written expression in the digital era.

Research Grants and Fellowships from the Internal Fund

The OUI provides financing for its researchers to leverage their work and facilitate their application to external funds. In 2016-2017, the Research Authority received 144 proposals for support from the internal fund, of which 85 were approved for funding.

Honors and Awards

- **Dr. Bashir Bashir**, Dept. of Sociology, Political Science, and Communication, was selected to be a member of the Young Scholars Forum in the Humanities and Social Sciences, of the Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities.
- **Prof. Tamar Hermann**, Dept. of Sociology, Political Science, and Communication, won the Bahat Award 2017, for her manuscript, "Walking the Israel National trail and the New-Old Israeliness."

- **Dr. Gal Levy**, Dept. of Sociology, Political Science, and Communication, was awarded the 2017 Best Published Hebrew Article Prize by The Israeli Political Science Association for his article "Between Shaking the Tree and Rocking the Boat: The Not-Nice, Protest and Radical Democracy in Israel."
- **Dr Inna Leykin**, Dept. of Sociology, Political Science, and Communication, was awarded the inaugural annual Soyuz Article Prize, awarded by the Soyuz: the Post-Communist Cultural Studies Interest Group of the American Anthropological Association (AAA) for "Rodologia: Genealogy as Therapy in Post-Soviet Russia."
- **Dr. Moran Feldman**, Dept. of Mathematics and Computer Science, was awarded the SIAM Outstanding Paper Prize for his paper "Buchbinder, N., Feldman, M., Naor, J. and Schwartz, R. (2015). A Tight Linear Time (1/2)-Approximation for Unconstrained Submodular Maximization, *SIAM Journal on Computing*, 44(5).

The Open University of Israel Press

The Open University of Israel Press publishes original research and academic titles in all disciplines. The OUI Press is headed by Prof. Aviva Halamish, together with Prof. Sarah Guri-Rosenblit, Prof. Amir Horowitz, Prof. Tzahi Weiss and Prof. Motti Regev of the Open University; Prof. Tamar El Or of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem; Prof. Mahmoud Ganaim of Tel Aviv University; Prof. Avia Spivak of Ben-Gurion University; and Prof. Sheizaf Rafaeli of the University of Haifa.

Four titles were published in 2016-2017:

- Dror Greenblum: *From the Bravery of the Spirit to the Sanctification of Power: Power and Bravery in Religious Zionism between 1948 and 1967*
- Yoram Bilu: *'With us More than Ever Before': Making the Absent Rebbe Present in Messianic Chabad*
- Eyal Propper: *A Panda or a Dragon? Changes in Chinese Foreign Policy Management during the Reforms*
- Haya Milo: *Talking Songs: Folksongs of Male and Female Israeli Soldiers*

The first joint publication by the Open University and other universities was published this year:

Nir Kedar: *Blue and White Law Identity and Law in Israel: A Century-Long Polemic*

The book is a joint venture with the Ben-Gurion Research Institute for the Study of Israel and Zionism, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, and Tel Aviv University's David Berg Foundation Institute for the Study of Law and History.

Of the many manuscripts that were submitted to the Press in the past year and that underwent a thorough judging process, seven were approved for publication in the coming year. They include three that were awarded grants from the Goldberg Family Foundation in 2015-2016.

During the past year, the third round of Goldberg Family Foundation awards for outstanding manuscripts was announced, covering two separate categories: one for a manuscript by an author who has already published at least one book; the other for a first manuscript by an author. Two committees whose members represent several universities will examine the 24 manuscripts submitted. The decision on the winning manuscripts will be published at the beginning of 2018..

Jointly Published Journals

The Open University is a partner in the publication of two academic periodicals:

- **Megamot** is published jointly with the Henrietta Szold Institute. Two extended editions were published in the past year.
- The historical quarterly **Zmanim** is published jointly with Tel Aviv University and the Historical Society of Israel.

List of Selected Publications

Books and Edited Publications

- Bartal, R., Bodner, N., & Kuehnel, B. (eds.) (2017) *Natural Materials of the Holy Land and the Visual Translation of Place 500-1500*. Routledge.
- Beer-Marx, R. (2017) *Fortresses of Paper – The Newspaper HaLevanon and Jewish Orthodoxy*. The Zalman Shazar Center. (Hebrew)
- Fagenblat, M. (ed.) (2017) *Negative Theology as Modernity*. Indiana University Press.
- Gil I. (2017) *The Holocaust: Between the Personal and the History*. Carmel. (Hebrew)
- Groves, T., Ofer, I., Townson, N., & Herrera, A. (2017) *Taking Citizenship Personally: Social Movements and Spain's Transition to Democracy*. Palgrave Studies in the History of Social Movements, Palgrave.
- Halamish, A. (2017) *Kibbutz: Utopia and Politics: The Life and Times of Meir Yaari*. Academic Studies Press.
- Ofer, I., (2017) *Claiming the City & Contesting the State: Squatting, Community Formation and Democratization in Spain (1955-1986)*. The Cañada Blanch Series: Studies on Contemporary Spain Routledge, LSE.
- Ramon, O. (2017) *Maharal in New Light – Jewish Identity in a Challenged World Order*. The Zalman Shazar Center. (Hebrew)
- Shiff, O. & Halamish, A. (eds.) (2017) *Israel 1967-1977: Continuity and Turning*. The Ben-Gurion Research Institute for the Study of Israel and Zionism. (Hebrew)
- Steir-Livny, L. (2017) *Is It O.K to Laugh about it? Holocaust Humour, Satire and Parody in Israeli Culture*. Vallentine Mitchell Publishers.

Chapters in Books

- Amiel Houser, T. (2017) The Ethics of Care in Zadie Smith's *The Embassy of Cambodia*. In: R.C. Evans (ed.) *Critical Approaches to Literature: Moral*. Salem Press, pp. 197-213.
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- Banay, M. (2017) Reassessing Spatial Theory of Permanent Site-Specific Artworks of the American Southwest, in the Information Age. In: I. Ben-Asher Gitler (ed.) *Monuments and Site-Specific Sculpture in Urban and Rural Space*. Cambridge Scholars Publishing, pp. 164-192.

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- Charbit, D. (2016) Altérité arabe dans l'Etat juif : les identités nationales sont-elles solubles dans la démocratie? In: Saquer-Sabin & Persyn, (eds.) *Regards sur le Proche-Orient éclaté-complexe-paradoxal*. Université Charles de Gaulle-Lille 3 (sciences humaines et sociales), pp. 15-35.
- Edenburg, C. (2016) Do the Pentateuchal Sources Extend into the Former Prophets? Joshua I and the Relation of the Former Prophets to the Pentateuch. In: K. Schmid et al. (eds.) *The Formation of the Pentateuch: Bridging the Academic Cultures of Europe, Israel, and North America*. Forschungen zum Alten Testament 111. Mohr/Siebeck, pp. 795-812.
- Elor, T. & Regev, M. (2017) The Making of Israeli Style 1967-1973. In: O. Schiff & A. Halamish (eds.) *Israeli Society 1967-1977*. The Ben-Gurion Research Institute for the Study of Israel and Zionism, pp. 308-333. (Hebrew)
- Fagenblat, M. (2017) Delineations: Negative Theology as Jewish Modernity. In: M. Fagenblat (ed.) *Negative Theology as Modernity*. Indiana University Press, pp. 1-29.
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