Summary, Financial Report, Participants

Evaluation Committee:
Prof. Moshe Idel
Prof. Hannah Kascher
Prof. Caterina Rigo
Prof. Zeev Harvey

Finalists (Winners in Bold):
Prof. Ronit Meroz: The Spiritual Biography of Rabbi Simeon bar Yochay
An Analysis of the Zohar’s Textual Components
Dr Avishai Bar Asher: Journeys of the Soul
Concepts and Imageries of Paradise in Medieval Kabbalah
Dr Jonatan M. Benaroch: Sava and Yanuka: God, the Son, and the Messiah in Zoharic Narratives
Dr Ruth Kara-Ivanov Kaniel: Human Threes: Birth in Psychoanalysis and in the Kabbalah
Prof. Bracha Sack: Solomon Had a Vineyard: God, the Torah and Israel in R. Shlomo Halevi Alkabetz’s Writings

Award Ceremony:
Location: Maiersdorf Faculty Club, Room 405
Number of participants: 60-70

Programme:
- Greetings – Dr Sara Yanovsky, World Union of Jewish Studies
- Speech by Prof. Moshe Idel, World Union of Jewish Studies - The selection process and the winning books
- Speeches presented by awardees – Prof. Ronit Meroz, Dr Avishai Bar-Asher
- Presentation of Awards – Dr Ami Bouganim, Matanel Foundation

Followed by refreshments and wine

Expenses:

| Refreshments for the evaluation committee meeting: | US$ 60 |
| Refreshments and Wine at the award ceremony: | US$ 1700 |
| Room at the Maiersdorf Faculty Club: | US$ 300 |
| Administration Costs (graphic design, printing of posters, posting books, organization of committee meetings): | US$ 2940 |
| Total | US$ 5000 |

The programme in figures 2014-2019

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<td>79</td>
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