

Matanel Prize for Jewish Thought 2019



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Summary, Financial Report, Participants

Evaluation Committee:

Prof. Moshe Idel
Prof. Hannah Kasher
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. Benarroch: Sava and Yanuka: God, the Son, and the Messiah in Zoharic Narratives

Dr Ruth Kara-Ivanov Kaniel: Human Throes: 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: Maierdsdorf 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 Maierdsdorf 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

	Candidates	Total number of awardees	Prize Amount	Participants at the award ceremonies	Number of Judges
2014, 2017, 2019 - TOTAL	79	6	US\$ 75,000 (3x USD 25,000)	190	12 (4 each year)

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