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Religion, Society and Politics in Israel | Third Annual Conference

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10:00-10:20 | Opening Ceremony

Moderator: Prof. Fu Youde, Co-Head of SDU-TAU Joint Institute for Jewish and Israel Studies, Director of the Center for Judaic and Inter-Religious Studies at Shandong University

Greetings:

Prof. Ariel Porat, President of Tel Aviv University

Prof. Wu Zhen, Vice President of Shandong University

Mr. Sun Yebao, Deputy Director General of the Foreign Affairs Office of Shandong Province

10:20-15:40 | Sessions (15 minutes per presentation)

Session One – Religion and Politics in Israel in Historical Perspective

Moderator: Dr. Chen Yanyan, SDU-TAU Joint Institute, Shandong University

The Messianic Temptation in Religious Zionism

Mr. Avraham Burg, Former Speaker of the Knesset, Former Head of the Jewish Agency

Israeli Religious Parties and the Roots of Their Extraordinary Influence

Prof. Lei Yu, School of History, Northwest University

The Political Dilemma: Religion and Polarized Identity Politics in Israel

Ms. Zhang Xuan, Ph.D. Candidate, Fudan University

Accommodation and Adaptation: The Political Path of the Mizrahi Party

Ms. Tian Haiyan, Ph.D. Candidate, Shandong University

10-Minute Break

Session Two – Contemporary Politics in Israel

Moderator: Prof. Fu Xiaowei, Center of Judaic and Chinese Studies, Sichuan International Studies University

The Political Crisis in Israel from the Ultra-Orthodox Viewpoint
Rabbi Yehoshua Pfeffer

The Planned Judicial Reform and the Goals of Religious Zionist Parties
Prof. Wang Yu, Institute of Israel and Jewish Studies, Peking University

Can Zionism Withstand Its Inherent Conflicts?

Prof. Aron Shai, Former Rector, Tel Aviv University

Israel's Political Crisis as a Religious Conflict

Prof. Uriya Shavit, SDU-TAU Joint Institute, Tel Aviv University

10-Minute Break

Session Three – Religion and Society in Israel

Moderator: Dr. Carl Yonker, SDU-TAU Joint Institute, Tel Aviv University

What do Ultra-Orthodox Jews Think about Secular Jews?

Dr. Sara Zalcberg, SDU-TAU Joint Institute, Tel Aviv University

A Study of Post-Soviet Jewish Immigrants and Sacred-Secular Relations in Israel

Ms. Wu Sijia, Ph.D. Candidate, Shandong University

Religion and Identity among Post-Soviet Russian Olim (Migrants) to Israel

Dr. Evgeni Klauber, The Frances Brody Institute for Applied Diplomacy, Tel Aviv University

Religious Debates on Women's Rights in Contemporary Israel

Dr. Sima Zalcberg, Ariel University

The Religious Kibbutz: Its Relation to Judaism and Modern Development

Dr. Chen Yanyan, SDU-TAU Joint Institute, Shandong University

American Zionism and the Rise of Cultural Pluralism in the Early 20th Century

Ms. Li Ciyi, Ph.D. Candidate, Northeast Normal University

10-Minute Break

Session Four – Religion, Culture, and Interfaith Relations in Israel

Moderator: Prof. Wang Yu, Institute of Israel and Jewish Studies, Peking University

The Abrahamic Tradition and the Three Monotheistic Religions

Prof. Tian Haihua, Institute of Taoism and Religious Culture, Sichuan University

The Realities of Interfaith Families in Israel

Dr. Carl Yonker, SDU-TAU Joint Institute, Tel Aviv University

The Influence of Cultural Religion on Israeli Fertility and Its Implications for China

Prof. Fu Xiaowei, Center of Judaic and Chinese Studies, Sichuan International Studies University

Religious Elements in Amos Oz's Judas

Prof. Zhong Zhiqing, Institute of Foreign Literature, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences

Catholic "Contempt Teaching" and Its Impact on Vatican-Israeli Relations

Mr. Wang Zhehui, Ph.D. Candidate, Shandong University

Three Dimensions of Israel's Public Opinion Towards China

Prof. Chen Guangmeng, Center for Israel Studies, Sichuan International Studies University

15:40-16:00 | Closing Ceremony

Prof. Racheli Haliva, Center for Judaic and Inter-Religious Studies, Shandong University

Prof. Uriya Shavit, Co-Head of SDU-TAU Joint Institute, Tel Aviv University