

We ask for your registration by March 15th, 2022 to:

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Please let us know if you want to attend to the conference in person or virtually.

Due to the limited number of participants, please register as soon as possible if you would like to attend in person.

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The venue Old University is accessible from the main station with almost all bus lines, stop Rudolphsplatz.



Readings of Trauma: Hermeneutical Perspectives on Biblical and Modern Trauma Narratives

International Conference

Tuesday, April 5, 2022

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Thursday, April 7, 2022
Marburg

Old University
Lahntor 3,
35037 Marburg
and
online
(hybrid)

Tuesday, April 5, 2022

14.00 Opening and Introduction: Readings of Trauma

Alexandra Grund-Wittenberg (Marburg):
Antiquity – Hebrew Bible
Maike Schult (Marburg):
Modernity – Trauma Narratives

14.30–18.00 Part 1: Readability of Trauma – Hermeneutical Foundations

Chair / Response: Maike Schult (Marburg)
14.30–15.30 Thomas Sparr (Berlin):
Paul Celan's „A Death Fugue“ as an Expression
of Trauma: A Message in a Bottle for the
Contemporary World and Posterity

15.30–16.00 Coffee Break

16.00–17.00 Ulrich C. Baer (New York):
Reading as Trauma-Witnessing

17.00–18.00 Friedhelm Hartenstein
(München):
Hebrew Bible as Trauma Response? Historical
and Hermeneutical Reflections

18.00 Break

18.30 Evening Lecture:
Maggie Schauer (Konstanz):
Narrative Exposure Therapy: Trauma &
Testimony /

19.30 Reception

Wednesday, April 6, 2022

9.00–12.30 Part 2:

Trauma Narratives in the Hebrew Bible

Chair / Response:

Judith Gärtner (Rostock)

9.00–10.00 Ruth Poser (Marburg):

The Book of Ezekiel as Trauma-Response

10.00–11.00 Christl M. Maier
(Marburg):

Jerusalem's Demise as a Cultural Trauma in
the Book of Jeremiah

11.00–11.30 *Coffee Break*

11.30–12.30 Joel S. Baden (Yale, New
Haven):

Trauma and the Fragmentation of Theology in
Lamentations

12.30–14.00 *Lunch Break*

**14.00–18.00 Part 3: Texts and Contexts:
(Re-) Readings in Modernity**

Chair / Response:

Annette Haußmann (Heidelberg)

14.00–15.00 Andrew Mein (St.
Andrews):

Biblical Consolation and the Avoidance of
Lament: Voices from the First World War

15.00–16.00 David Carr (New York):

Opportunities and Challenges in Rereading
Post-Traumatic Biblical Narratives of Flood
and Rescue amidst the Climate
Catastrophe

16.00–16.30 *Coffee Break*

16.30–17.30 Björn Krondorfer (Flagstaff,
Arizona):

Traumatization or Implicated Subject?
Post-1945 challenges to Theological Work
in Germany

17.30–18.30 Katya Tolstaya (Amsterdam):

Theology after the Gulag: Religion in
Posttraumatic Societies

18.30–19.00 *Break*

19.00–20.00 *Public Evening Lecture*

Günter H. Seidler (Heidelberg):

A Plea for the Trauma: Reality and
Construct of the Unfathomable as a Janus-
like Sign of Destruction and the Possibility
of New Formation

20.15 *Dinner*

Reading the Vulnerable Life

Chair / Response: Alexandra Grund-
Wittenberg (Marburg)

9.00–10.00 L. Juliana Claassens
(Stellenbosch):

Vulnerable Bodies: The Rape of Dinah
(Genesis 34) and the Stalking of Middle Sister
(Milkman, Anna Burns)

10.00–11.00 Johanna Stiebert (Leeds):

Re-Reading Vulnerability: The Hebrew Bible,
Black Lives Matter and #MeToo

11.00–11.30 *Coffee Break*

11.30–12.30 Maike Schult (Marburg):

Wounds that not shall be healed: Philological
Perspectives and Pastoral Care

12.30–13.30 Trauma as a Hermeneutical
Construct: International Perspectives

Hindy Najman (Oxford)

Paul Joyce (London)

Ulrich C. Baer (New York)

13.30 Closing and Departure

Thursday, April 7, 2022

9.00–13.30 Part 4: