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All sessions will take place in Hebrew.

10:30-11:15 Greetings

Prof. Moshe Bar-Asher, President, the Academy of the Hebrew Language
Prof. Doron Bar, President, Schechter Institute for Jewish Studies,
Prof. Eliahu Assis, Dean, Faculty of Jewish Studies, Bar Ilan University

11:15-13:15 First Session
The Babylonian Talmud
Chair: Prof. Yeshayahu Gafni, Hebrew University

Prof. Menachem Kahana, *Hebrew University*
Bavli Sanhedrin 3b: A Proposal for Uncovering a Hidden Agenda in a Talmudic Sugya

Prof. Judith Hauptman, *The Jewish Theological Seminary of America:*'La Savar Lah Mar': Questioning Halakhic Behavior in Amoraic Discourse in the Bavli

Prof. David Golinkin, *Schechter Institute for Jewish Studies*
"These Ten are for What?" (Bavli Rosh Hashanah 32a) Another Look at a 'Simple' Sugya

Prof. Matthew Morgenstern, *Tel-Aviv University*
The Textual Development of the Bavli: The Linguistic Evidence

13:15 – 14:00 Lunch Break

14:00 - 16:00 Second Session
Tannaitic Halakha
Chair: Prof. Mordechai Akiva Friedman, Tel Aviv University

Prof. David Henshke, *Bar-Ilan University*
"Behold I Am Like One who is Eighty Years Old": Thoughts on the Development of Keriat Shema

Prof. Moshe Benovitz, *Schechter Institute for Jewish Studies*
The Purim Collection

Dr. Moti Arad, *Schechter Institute for Jewish Studies*
'Matsilin oto benafsho': On the History of a Tannaitic Phrase

Dr. Aaron Amit, *Bar-Ilan University*
The Validity of Divorce according to the House of Shammai in Light of Early Christian Sources

16:00 – 16:30 Coffee Break

16:30 - 18:30 Third Session
Eretz Israel and Babylonia: Geographical and Cultural Context
Chair: Prof. Daniel Sperber, Bar-Ilan University

Dr. Amram Tropper, *Ben Gurion University in the Negev*
On Hyrcanus, Aristobulus and Greek Wisdom in the Babylonian Talmud

Dr. Yair Furstenberg, *Ben Gurion University in the Negev*
From Competition to Integration: "Laws of the Nations" in Rabbinic Halakhah and the Status of Local Law in Roman Jurisdiction

Prof. Jonathan Milgram, *Jewish Theological Seminary of America:* From Mesopotamia to the Mishnah: Tannaitic Inheritance Law in its Legal and Social Contexts

Dr. Geoffrey Herman, *Hebrew University*
"Babylonia is Healthy" – On the Limits of Lineage

18:30 - 19:15 Closing remarks
Prof. Shamma Friedman

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