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1. Overview:

I am happy to present herewith the annual report of activities of the Cohn Institute for the year 2006-07, as well as some of our plans for the upcoming academic year, 2007-08.

Unlike most other "institutes" at Tel Aviv University, the Cohn Institute functions as both a research and a graduate teaching unit. This unique double status has both advantages and disadvantages that we have come to realize over the years and have become part of our academic routine. As in past years, we present this report to the academic committee of the institute, and like the reports of the University's other institutes, it pertains mainly to activities related with our being a research unit and to the financial aspects associated with this side of our charter. At the same time, it also relates to some aspects of our teaching, inasmuch as the two components of the institute's identity cannot be separated in a clear-cut manner.

Compared to previous years, the academic year 2006-07 was one of relative stability for TAU at large and for the Faculty of Humanities in particular, though at the same one of continued restraint. Because of the many changes that were imposed upon us in previous years, we spent most of our energy trying to make sense of the new situation faced by the university and the unending reforms that affected all aspects of our activity (but mainly those related to teaching and study programs). At some point, however, we started to work within well-defined administrative and teaching frameworks that, for better or worse, define our routine and allow us to pursue the academic aims of the institute in the given circumstances to the best of our abilities.

As described below in greater detail, in the academic year of 2006-7 we continued to develop most of our standard activities, such as seminars and workshops. For a variety of reasons, the person appointed as Silverman Visiting Professor cancelled his trip after committing himself to it, leaving us insufficient time to find an appropriate replacement. Likewise, the Annual International Workshop had to be cancelled as well. On the other hand, members of the staff published a considerable amount of academic work in leading venues, and, as can be seen in the list below, also did several of our students. We had two post-doctoral fellows whose stays in Israel came at their own initiative and was totally covered by foreign funds.

For the coming year we plan to continue in similar fashion. The Silverman Chair will be occupied by Professor Henk Bos (University of Utrecht, Emeritus), whose is one of the world's leading experts in the history of mathematics in the early modern period. The Annual International Workshop will be devoted to New Approaches to the Philosophical Foundations of Quantum Mechanics. In addition, the Institute will celebrate its 25th anniversary this year with a special three-day academic event. The lineup of invited speakers will comprise about 20 of the institute's alumni who have gone on to pursue academic careers in Israel and abroad. As part of the event we also plan to organize discussion panels devoted to the current state and the future of our discipline and of the humanities at large.

This year we shall be enjoying the presence of two Post-Doctoral Fellows whose fellowships are funded by a special grant the Institute received from outgoing president, Professor Itamar Rabinovitch. The two fellows were selected after an open call for candidates was issued to which twenty three applicants responded. This was followed by a very long and detailed process of evaluation and vetting that involved the entire staff of the institute. This, we sincerely hope, will prove to be a first step in a process to which we intend to give all of our attention in the future, which is aimed at adding younger members to our staff. By and large, the greatest problem and most urgent problem we face today is the pressing need to renew and refresh our ageing ranks. Failure to do so is liable to be fatal to all we have accomplished.

The Cohn Institute is able to maintain a very high level of academic activity thanks to its endowment that has grown healthily over the last few years. We think that we are using these resources in a very appropriate way, and that we are fulfilling our academic mission. Nevertheless, we sincerely fear that the most important motivation for a continued level of activity is the feeling that these efforts will be continued by a future generation of scholars that will eventually take over from us. The quantity and quality of PhD graduates that we have produced could easily provide the added forces we are need of. Moreover, the many applicants for our Post-Doctoral Fellowships, the vast majority of which were not institute graduates, made us further aware of the enormous potential for good scholars that could join us at any moment. As we are aware of the scant additions of young faculty at our university in general, and the faculty of humanities in particular, we will need to put enormous pressure and try to find out ways to fulfill this top priority concern of the Cohn Institute.

The present report was prepared with great care by the Institute's secretary, Mrs. Anat Zion, and by myself, and we hope that it helps providing a clear picture of our past activities and our plans for the upcoming academic year.



Professor Leo Corry
Director, The Cohn Institute

2. Academic Activities: Colloquia and Conferences

2.1. The Bar Hillel Colloquium

FOR THE HISTORY, PHILOSOPHY AND SOCIOLOGY OF SCIENCE (26th ANNUAL SERIES, 2006-2007).

Jointly sponsored by The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute, The Cohn Institute for the History and Philosophy of Science and Ideas, Tel Aviv University, and, The Edelstein Center for the History and Philosophy of Science, Technology and Medicine, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

- Ruth Garrett Millikan, University of Connecticut: “Let Me Count the Ways to Tell a Weasel; Extensional Terms and Nature’s Clumps”. Commentator: Ohad Nachtom, Bar-Ilan University
- Alban Bouvier, Université de Provence (Aix) and Institut Jean Nicod (Paris) - **Lecture in Memory of Professor Mara Beller**: “Collective Belief, Acceptance and Commitment in Science.”
- Robert Brandom, University of Pittsburgh: “Kantian Lessons about Mind, Meaning, and Rationality”. Commentator: Menachem Fisch, Tel Aviv University
- Lorraine Daston, Max Planck Institute for the History of Science (Berlin): “Moral and Natural Orders”. Commentator: Yaron Ezrahi, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
- Ruth Glasner, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem: “Gersonides and the Historiography of the Scientific Revolution.” Commentator: Gad Prudovsky, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Mandel Institute
- Leonard Susskind, Stanford University: “The Cosmic Landscape: String Theory and the Illusion of Intelligent Design.” Commentator: Alon Drory, Afeka - The Academic College of Engineering in Tel Aviv
- Elliott Sober, University of Wisconsin: “Evolution and the Logic of Evidence.” Commentator: Eva Jablonka, Tel Aviv University

2.2. Workshops and Conferences

- **International Workshop**: “Power, Rule and Governmentality in Zones of Emergency: The Israeli Occupation in a Global Perspective.” June 3-5, 2007 (In collaboration with the Van Leer Institute). Organizers: Adi Ophir, Michal Givoni.
- **Gilman International Conference**: “Philosophy’s Moods”, May 27-30, 2007. Organized by the Department of Philosophy, TAU (Support and participation by the Cohn Institute).

- **International Research Workshop:** “Newton in Pursuit of the Secrets of God and Nature”. June 17-20, 2007”. Organized by Yemima Ben Menachem (Hebrew University) and Moti Feingold (Caltech), in collaboration with the Van Leer Institute and the Israeli Academy of Sciences (Support and participation by the Cohn Institute).
- **Conference:** “Pierre Bayle: Religion, Politics, Philosophy and the Art of Writing.” January 01, 2007. In collaboration with the Dept. of French and the Dept. of History.

2.3. Research Seminar 2006-07

- Gideon Freudenthal, The Cohn Institute: “Moses Mendelsohn: Mitzvoth Fulfillment as a Solution to the problem of Theological Skepticism.”
- Snait Gissis, The Cohn Institute: “Visual Representation and ‘Race’ as a Scientific Topic in the Eighteenth Century”.
- Leo Corry, The Cohn Institute: “Mathematical Modernism and Cultural Modernism in the Early Twentieth Century”.
- Jose Brunner, The Cohn Institute: “How Does an Acute Post-Traumatic Affection Becomes a Chronic Disease, and why is this a Moral Issue”.
- Ido Yavetz, The Cohn Institute: “On Two Hipparchian Problems and the Spirit of Greek Astronomy”.
- Yosef Schwartz, The Cohn Institute: “How Does an Angel Move in its Place? Addressing the Problem of Motion of non-Material Bodies in Late Scholastics.”
- Yosef Stern, The University of Chicago: “Skepticism, Intellect and Unity in Maimonides.”
- Miran Epstein, Queen Mary's School of Medicine: “Professional Legal Representatives, Opt-out Consents, and Other Bizarre Creatures in Contemporary British and EU Human Research Ethics.”
- Idan Landau, Ben-Gurion University: “On the Nature of Man: Neither Tabula Rasa, Nor Written on the Stone.”
- Hanswalter Stäubli, Post-Doctoral Fellow, The Cohn Institute: “Europe in the Second Century after Nietzsche: The Contours of a New Religious Landscape.”
- Vasileios Syros, University of Helsinki: “Political versus Natural Philosophy in the Middle Ages and the Renaissance.”
- Ursula Woecock, Tel Aviv University: “The History of a Discipline as History of a Profession: Oriental Studies at German Universities in the Nineteenth Century.”
- Gideon Freudenthal, The Cohn Institute: “Why Does a Triangle Have Three Angles: On the Debate between Kant and his Critics.”
- Yael Hashiloni-Dolev, Tel Hashomer Medical Center: “Genetic Counseling for Sex Chromosome Anomalies (SCAs) in Israel and Germany: Assessing Medical Risks According to the Importance of Fertility in Two Cultures”.
- Hosni Al-hateeb Schadah, Tel-Aviv University: “Animal Care and Veterinary in the Mammelukh Period.”

- Avner Benzaken, Harvard University: “Scientific Interchanges Between Europe and Islamic Cultures in the Early Modern Period.”
- Ehud Lamm, The Cohn Institute: “Evolution of Language and Pragmatism.”
- Simon Cook, Duke University: “Alfred Marshall’s Social Philosophy and the Origins of Modern Economics.”

2.4. Medicine, Culture and Society Forum

In collaboration with the Sackler School of Medicine, Tel-Aviv University.

Coordinator: Dr. Mical Raz.

- Judd Neeman, Tel Aviv University: “The Broken Hearth and the Destroyed House.”
- Daphan Hirsch, Tel-Aviv University: “Hygiene, Dirt and Laborers’ Masculinity in Mandatory Palestine.”
- Nadav Davidovitch, From Biological Terror to Deviant Biological Event: On Infectious Disease and Public Health Ethics
- Ido Israelowitch, Wadham College: Medicine, Society and Disease in the Writings of Elios Aristides.”
- Sherwin Nuland, Clinical Professor of Surgery, Yale University School of Medicine: “The Artist Looks at the Doctor: Half a Millennium of Clinical Observation.”
- Danny File, Ben Gurion Univeristy: “Expressions of Power in the Clinical Encounter.”
- Moshe Feinsod, The Technion Medical School: “Attempts to Improve Mental Abilities in Microcephalic Children.”
- Naama Cohen-Hanegbi, The Hebrew University: “Post-Partum Depression and its Treatment in the Late Middle Ages.”
- Maia Amitai, Geha Medical Center and TAU: “Feminine Identity and Feeding Dysfunction in Tony Morrison’s Books.”
- Snait Gissis, Tel Aviv University: “When is ‘Race’ Race? The Use of Race in Genetics, Epidemiology, and Medicine in the Last Decades.”
- Gaby Admon-Rick: “Birth, Control and the Women Body: the Medicalization of Birth in the Yishuv in Mandatory Palestine.”

2.5. Other Activities

2.5.1. Funkenstein Prize

Eran Tal for his MA Thesis: "How scientists share instruments: the limits of social explanation." Advisor: Gideon Freudenthal.

2.5.2. Elkana Fellowship

Itai Snir; PhD Student.

2.5.3. BU exchange Program

2006-07: Prof. Anat Biletzki (Dept. of Philosophy); MA students: Rami Kaplan, Tal Arbel.

2007-08: Dr. Eli Dresner (Dept. of Philosophy); Dr. Roy Wagner (Post-Doctoral Fellow); PhD candidate: Einav Katan.

2.5.4. Silverman Professorship

Cancelled for 2006-07.

2.5.5. Post-Doctoral Fellows 2006-07

- Dr. Andreas Blank – Funded by the Humboldt Stiftung, Berlin
- Dr. Hanswalter Stäubli – Funded by the Swiss Federal Government
- Dr. Maya Katsir – Funded by the Ministry of Absorption

3. Publications 2006-07

The following lists of publications comprise academic works published in the years 2006 and 2007 by the institute's staff, post-doctoral fellows, and students.

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4. Research Grants from External Competitive Funds

4.1. Approved (2):

Main TAU Researcher: Rivka Feldhay

Granting Fund: GIF

Main Collaborator: Jürgen Renn (Max Planck Institute for History of Science, Berlin).

Title: “The Jesuit and Scientific Research between Galileo and Newton: Statics, Dynamics, Mathematics and Astronomy”; “Before Copernicus”.

Total Amount: EUR 225,000 + 225,000.

Grant Periods: (1) 2005 to 2007; (2) 2008-2010 (extension)

Main TAU Researcher: José Brunner

Granting Fund: GIF

Main Collaborators: Norbert Frei (Friedrich Schiller-Universität Jena), and Constantin Goschler (Ruhr-Universität Bochum).

Title: “The Globalization of Wiedergutmachung”.

Total Amount: USD 168,070.

Grant Period: 2008 to 2011

4.2. Submitted (2)

Main TAU Researcher: Yossef Schwartz

Granting Fund: ISF

Title: “Hebraism as a central component in the shaping of Modern European Mind - the case of Christian Kabbala in the 14th-17th Centuries”.

Total Amount: USD 40,000 * 3 years.

Grant Period: 2009 to 2012

Remarks: An amount of 20,000 NIS granted by the faculty of humanities, TAU, as intermediate funding.

Main TAU Researcher: Leo Corry

Granting Fund: GIF

Main Collaborator: Moritz Epple (Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität, Frankfurt).

Title: “Between modernism and application: A comparative approach to mathematical research culture in the early 1900’s”.

Total Amount: EUR 225,000.

Grant Period: 2009 to 2012

5. Teaching

5.1. Student Population (as of October 2007)

MA Registered Students

Preparatory year: 40

MA with Thesis: 32

MA no Thesis: 50

Total MA Registered Students: 122

MA Graduates 2006-07: With Thesis: 18 No Thesis: 7

PhD Registered Students

Special Status: 17

School of History – Approved Proposal: 11

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School of Philosophy – Approved Proposal: 12

School of Philosophy – Preliminary Stage: 11

School of Cultural Studies – Approved Proposal: 2

School of Cultural Studies – Preliminary Stage: 1

Total Registered PhD Students: 42

PhD Graduates 2006-07: 4

5.2. PhD Dissertations Approved, 2006-2007

Student's Name	Supervisor	Subject
Yizhak Benyamini	Feldhay + Dr. Michael Mach	Jacques Lacan and the Jewish-Christian Discourse
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Amos Edelheit	Feldhay	The discourse of love in Firenze: 1460-1500
Abed Azzam	Ophir	Nietsche and the legitimizing of the Anti-Christ

5.3. MA Theses Approved, 2006-2007

Student's Name	Supervisor	Subject
Eyal Aviv	Zuckermann	Between Representation and Production
Ram Arad	Fisch	In therapy - a comparative study in the philosophical tales of Richard Rorty and Robert Brandom
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David Gilad	Schwartz	Hegel's critique on Newton's mechanics
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Shir Hever	Ophir + Dr. Yuval Yonay	Competing economic theories pertaining to the occupation
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Ziv Shachar	Schwartz	The political theology of Gershom Scholem

