



# Austrian, Jewish, German, Czech: Reframing Max Brod and Prague Zionism

Max Brod

May 25-26, 2014  
Jerusalem – Beer Sheva

## Sunday, 25.5.2014

National Library of Israel, Givat Ram, Jerusalem

16:00 – 18:30 **Session I**

Chair: **Dov Kulka** (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

**Mark H. Gelber** (Ben-Gurion University of the Negev),  
*Max Brod and Prague Circles*

**Hillel Kieval** (Washington University in St. Louis, USA),  
*Language, Gender, and National Rapprochement: Max  
Brod's "A Czech Servant Girl" Revisited*

**Nurit Pagi** (University of Haifa), *From Indifferentism to  
Zionism: Revolution or Evolution?*

20:00 – 21:30 Official Opening at National Library  
(in Hebrew)

Greetings: **Haggai Ben Shammai**  
(National Library of Israel)

**Mark H. Gelber** (Ben-Gurion University of the Negev)

Chair: **Stefan Litt**  
(National Library and Leo Baeck Institute)

**Judge ret. Talia Kopelman-Pardo** (Tel-Aviv),  
*"The Trial" of Max Brod*

**Dimitry Shumsky** (The Hebrew University of  
Jerusalem), *Brod's Humanist Zionism: The Historical  
Background*

## Monday 26.5.2014

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beer Sheva,  
(Ayrton University Center, Room-136)

10:15 – 12:15 **Session II**

Chair: **Michael Elm** (Ben-Gurion University of the  
Negev)

**Stefan Vogt** (Goethe University, Frankfurt a. Main)  
*Max Brod and Socialism*

**Lina Barouch** (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem),  
*Max Brod's Writings in Hebrew*

14:30 – 17:30 **Session III**

Chair: **Kobi Kabalek** (Ben-Gurion University of the  
Negev)

**Abraham Rubin** (City University New York),  
*"An Aesthetic Judenfrage: Max Brod and the Quest for  
a Jewish-National Literature"*

**David Dessin** (University of Antwerp),  
*Secularization as Universalism: The Discussion  
between Max Brod and Hans-Joachim Schoeps*

**Jan Schröder** (University of Cologne),  
*"Heimat" in Max Brod's Unambo*

17:30 – 18:00 Coffee break

18:00 – 19:15 **Session IV**

Chair: **Eitan Bar Yosef** (Ben-Gurion University of the  
Negev)

**Scott Spector** (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor),  
*Brod's Homelands*