

**National Library of Russia**  
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**National Library of Israel**  
International Institute for Jewish Genealogy

**Joint Symposium**  
**Genealogy and Family History**  
**of Jews in Russia**

**PROGRAMME**

**St. Petersburg, 10 -12 September 2012**

**National Library of Russia**  
**Main building: Sadovaya st., 18 (in Krylov House)**

**10<sup>th</sup> of September, Monday**

**Registration of participants – at the Institute for Genealogical Research (room 3-04, third floor).**

**11.00 – Visit to Jewish cemetery, St. Petersburg**

**18.00            Opening session**

**Opening remarks – Igor SAKHAROV,  
Director, Institute for Genealogical Research  
(St. Petersburg).**

**Opening remarks – Neville LAMDAN,  
Director, International Institute for Jewish Genealogy  
(Jerusalem).**

**Greetings**

**Anton LIKHOMANOV, Director-General, National  
Library of Russia.**

**Edward SHAPIRO, Consul-General of Israel, St.  
Petersburg.**

**Mr. Alexander MAKAROV, Chairman of the Historical  
and Cultural Committee, Government of St. Petersburg.**

**Opening Presentation: Prof. Benjamin NATHANS  
University of Pennsylvania, USA):  
Jews living beyond the Pale – an overview and research  
directions.**

**Working Sessions, 11 September, Tuesday, 10.00 –**

## **SOURCES AND RESOURCES**

**Chairman: Igor SAKHAROV**

**Vladimir PALEY (Moscow). Documents on Jewish genealogy in Russian provincial archives (Orel, Nizhniy Novgorod, Kazan etc.).**

**Olga NOVIKOVA (St.Petersburg). Materials on permission for Jews to settle beyond the Pale, with particular reference to Smolensk and Pskov provinces (according to the archives of the Russian Ministry of Interior, 1906-1913).**

**Maria KUNKITE (SPb.). Pre-revolutionary Russian legislation related to medicine, dentistry and pharmaceuticals which permitted Jews to settle beyond the Pale together with their families.**

**Vladimir LEVIN (Jerusalem). The Synagogue in Imperial Russia as a Genealogical Source.**

**Coffee-break.**

**Irina ANISIMOVA (St.Petersburg). Biographic and genealogical data on Jews in materials during the period 1918-1923 (according to documents of the Central state archive of St. Petersburg).**

**Anatoly RAZUMOV (St. Petersburg). KGB archives as sources for Jewish Genealogy during Stalin's purges.**

**Benjamin Lukin (Jerusalem) – Archival collections outside Russia, relevant to Jewish Genealogy in Russia.**

**Olga Aleksejeva (Riga). Jews in Latvia and the Consolidation of the Jewish Community in Riga in the Inter-War Period.**

**15.00 – 16.00.. – Lunch.**

**Aleksander Beider (Paris) – How can onomastics and Russian Jewish genealogy be of mutual assistance?**

**Maxim MELTSIN (St. Petersburg). Russian periodicals containing materials on genealogy and biographies of Jews and published during the last twenty years.**

**Vera KNORRING, Yury VARTANOV (St. Petersburg). The Jewish collection of books and periodicals in Russian National Library as source of information on genealogy, family history and *personalia* of Russian Jews.**

**Working Sessions, 12 September, Wednesday, 10.00 –**

## **CASE STUDIES**

**Chairman: Prof. Benjamin NATHANS**

**Anatoly CHAYESH (St. Petersburg). Genealogy of Jewish women. Based on data from historical archives of SPb.**

**Alla KRASKO (St. Petersburg). Jews in the St.Petersburg merchantry. Jews among the hereditary honorary citizens (according to documents of the SPb. Historical archives).**

**Svetlana SHELYAPINA (St.Petersburg). The merchant family of Pundik in SPb. (according to documents of the Russian historical archive and Central Historical archive of St. Petersburg).**

**Efim ULITSKY (Moscow). Jewish entrepreneurs in Moscow: commerce and philanthropy as family tradition (second half of nineteenth and beginning of twentieth centuries).**

**Aleksey SHMELKIN (Moscow). The muscovite businessmen Shmelkins in their family surrounding (according to the documents of Moscow and SPb. State archives and familial papers and reminiscences).**

**Coffee-break.**

**Anatoly WOROBIEW (Moscow). The sources for genealogy of the family of tea-merchant Wulf Vysotsky.**

**Igor SAKHAROV (St. Petersburg). Outlaws among the privileged: Jews in the Russian nobility.**

**Aleksey SHMELKIN (Moscow). How a Jew could be admitted to Russian hereditary nobility: The Grinkrug case.**

**Michael Beizer (Jerusalem). Jewish Aristocracy: Rabbi David Tevel Katzenellenbogen, Chief Rabbi of St. Petersburg (1847-1930) – 16 generations “before and after”.**

**14.00 – 15.00. Lunch.**

**Maxim MELTSIN (St.Petersburg). Jews in Russian provincial towns before and shortly after 1917: medical doctor in Oepochka (Pskov province) and artisan in Kazan (according to memoirs of author’s grandmother and grandfather).**

**Igor SAKHAROV (St.Petersburg). The family of timber-merchant Ilia (Eliahu) Gitovich before 1917 (Smolensk) and afterwards (Moscow and Petrograd – Leningrad – St. Petersburg): The question of social mobility in the changed environment.**

## **Plenary Session**

**General discussion. Evaluation/Plans for future.**

## **Closing of the Symposium**

**Final remarks – Igor SAKHAROV and Neville LAMDAN**