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## Annual Conference of the Association of European Jewish Museums

Athens November 21<sup>st</sup> – November 24<sup>th</sup> 2009

Hosted by the Jewish Museum of Greece

Saturday 21 November 2009

**18:00** *Arrival at the Jewish Museum of Greece (JMG)*  
Registration – Receipt of conference material  
Guided tour of the exhibitions  
Reception  
Programme

Sunday 22 November

**9:00** *Meeting at Electra Pallas Hotel (conference venue)*

**9:15** Sightseeing tour by bus: Athens Synagogue  
Athens Cemeteries

**11:00** *Leave for Chalkis*

**12:00** Visit to the Castle of Karambamba

**13:00** Lunch offered by the Chalkis Community

**14:15** Visit to the Chalkis Synagogue and Cemetery: Brief presentation

**16:00** *Return to Athens*

**17:30** Meeting at the Jewish Museum of Greece to board the bus

**18:00** Tour of the new Acropolis Museum

**19:30** Reception by Athens Jewish Community at the Cultural Centre (Kosher)

**21:30** *Bus back to Syntagma Square*

Monday 23 November 2009

**9:00** Meeting at the *Electra Pallas Hotel* (conference venue)

**9:15** Keynote lecture by Prof. Euridice Antzoulidou-Retsila  
“**Museums, Bodies of Memory**”

**10:15 – 10:45** Session on Looted Judaica

**10:45 – 11:15** Coffee/tea break

**11:15-13:00** Keynote session and panel discussion: „*Building Bridges*“

Zanet Battinou: <i>Keynote introduction „Building Bridges“</i>	Jewish Museum of Greece
Jeremy Michelson	Manchester Jewish Museum
Lou Levine	Museum of Jewish Heritage, NYC
Yvonne Jacobsson	Jewish Museum Stockholm
Rickie Burman	Jewish Museum London
Daniela Eisenstein	Jewish Museum of Franconia Fürth, Schnaittach & Schwabach
Ann-Hélène Hoog	Museum of Art and History of Judaism, Paris
Discussion	

**13:00 – 14:00** Lunch break

**14:00 – 15:30** First round of workshops:

- *Greek Jewish Religious Art: unique features and common characteristics.* This will be presented by Christina Meri, illustrated with actual artifacts.
- *Museum storage and preventive conservation policies: issues and solutions for small spaces.* This will be presented by Mary Kapotsi, our staff conservator.
- *Corpus of Jewish Inscriptions of Greece: a JMG project of European and International interest.* This will be presented by Anastasia Loudarou, archaeologist, who is in charge of the project.
- *Educational programs and products: choices and challenges.* This will be presented by Orietta Treveza, JMG education officer.
- *Designing exhibitions on a small budget: in-house solutions.* This will be presented by Hayia Cohen, JMG graphic designer.

**15:30 – 16:00** Coffee/tea break

**16:00 – 18:00** Annual General Meeting

**18:30** Special tour: “Highlights of the Benaki Museum”  
by senior curator Mrs. Lila de Chavez

**20:00** Reception at the Benaki Museum terrace

Tuesday 24 November 2009

**9:00 – 10:30** Panel Discussion on New Projects

Speakers:

Michal Friedlander (Jewish Museum Berlin) & Daniela Eisenstein (Jewish Museum of Franconia Fürth, Schnaittach & Schwabach)	Exhibitions „Kosher&Co“ and “Du Darfst”
Ann-Hélène Hoog (Museum of Art and History of Judaism, Paris) & Hetty Berg (Jewish Historical Museum, Amsterdam)	Exhibition: „Superheroes and Schlemiels“
Nadia Guth Biasini (Jewish Museum of Switzerland)	Exhibition: “ Strange Objects stepping out of line”
Gabriele Kohlbauer Fritz (Jewish Museum of Vienna)	Exhibition : „typisch!“
Jack Arbib (Museum of Libyan Jews)	Presentation of the Museum of Libyan Jews
Diego de Ojeda (Casa Sefarad Israel)	Presentation of the organization Casa Sefarad Israel

**10:30 – 11:00** *Coffee/tea break*

**11:00 – 12:30** Second round of workshops

**12:30 – 13:00** Workshop feedback and discussion of future priorities for AEJM

**13:00 – 13:15** Conference Conclusions