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Symposium “Venice and the Hebrew Book”
Venice, Libreria Sansoviniana, Piazzetta S. Marco n. 13/a
Thursday 28 July 2016, 3.00 – 6.30 p.m.

The National Marciana Library, in collaboration with the National Library of Israel, will be hosting an international Symposium on the social and cultural history of the printing of Hebrew books in Venice. The event will take place in the spectacular venue of the Libreria Sansoviniana, Piazzetta San Marco 13/a. Entrance is free, based on seat availability .

In the context of the events marking the 500th anniversary of the Ghetto, the Symposium will explore the developments that made Venice of the 15th and the 16th century the centre for the production of Hebrew books. Venice was also an important cultural meeting point, generating the ideas that found their way into these books. Wonderful achievements, like the first printed complete edition of the Talmud by Daniel Bomberg, interchanged with moments of persecutions, like the burning of this same book in San Marco Square.

Leading scholars of the History of Books, will come together from Europe, Canada and Israel, to discuss the place of Venice in the long history of Jewish printing which influenced Jewish history and Jewish - Christian relations.

The Symposium will be in English

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