

**Sunday, 8th June 2014**

09.00 – 17.30	Registration of Delegates
14.00	Meeting Finance Commission
15.00	Meeting Executive Committee
18.30	Cocktail
19.30	OPENING CEREMONY
	Moderators: Lali Leviashwili, Member of the Frankfurt Schönstädt Lodge (BBFSL) Dr. Adrian Strack, Member of the BBFSL
	Flag Presentation
	Countries: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Monaco, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, The Netherlands, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States, Israel.
	Opening of the 7th Convention of B'nai B'rith Europe By: Ralph Hofmann, President B'nai B'rith Europe
	Menorah Lightin
	Video of the Bestowal Ceremony of the Lifetime Award of Merit on Shimon Peres, President of the State of Israel
	Greetings Allan J. Jacobs, President B'nai Brith International Mr. Uwe Becker, Treasure of the City of Frankfurt Kevin Milas, General Counsellor USA Consulate in Frankfurt Dr. Dan Shaham, General Counsellor of the Israeli Consulate in Munich
	Music Intermezzo Shalom Singers,
	Introduction of the guest speaker by Ralph Hofmann
	Speech of our guest of honour Dr. H.C. Charlotte Knobloch, President of the Jewish Community of Munich and Upper Bavaria, former President of the Central Council of Jews in Germany
	Vote of Thanks – Ralph Hofmann
	Closing of the Opening Ceremony

Monday, 9th June 2014

09.00	D'var Torah – Professor Simon Lauer Memorial Service for deceased members of B'nai B'rith Led by John Reeves – Graham Weinberg
09.15 – 09.30	PLENARY I – PART I Chair: René Trau, Vice-President B'nai B'rith Europe Report by Ralph Hofmann, President B'nai B'rith Europe
09.30 – 09.40	Debate
09.40 - 09.50	Report by Harvey Josephs, Treasurer of B'nai B'rith Europe
09.50 – 10.10	Debate
10.15 – 13.30	PLENARY I – PART II Chairman: Derrick Smouha ELECTIONS: President, 2 Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary General, Members of the Executive Committee, Court of Appeal, Constitution Commission, Electoral Commission, Auditors - Presentation of the Candidates - Voting
13.30	Lunch
14.30	PLENARY I – PART III
14.30 - 15.30	Commission Meetings Chairs: Antisemitism – Israel – F.A.N. Reinold Simon / Daniel Citone Balkans, Central & Eastern Europe Erika van Gelder / Alex Faiman Culture – Jewish Heritage Claude Bloch / François Moysse Youth John Reeves
15.30	Presentation Political Work
15.30 – 15.45	Daniel S. Mariaschin, Executive Vice President B'nai B'rith International B'nai B'rith Political Work at large
15.45 - 15.55	Alan Schneider, Director World Center B'nai B'rith in Jerusalem Political Work in Israel
15.55 – 16.05	Witold Zyss, Report on the work at UNESCO
16.05 – 16.15	Richard Sotnick, Report on work by the London Bureau of International Affairs
16.15 – 16.30	Jacques Jacobert, Report on the work by of Paris Bureau of International Affairs
16.30 – 16.40	Gilbert Nerson, Report on the work at the Council of Europe in Strasbourg
16.45 – 17.00	Elections: Announcement of Results Derrick Smouha, President of the Electoral Commission
19.30	Installation of the Newly Elected President and Executive Committee Chaired by: Allan Jacobs, President B'nai B'rith International Response by the newly elected President of B'nai B'rith Europe
	Festive Dinner

Tuesday, 10th June 2014

- 09.00 D'var Torah – Professor Simon Lauer
- 09.15 PLENARY II – PART I
- 09.15 – 09.30 Report on the European Day of Jewish Heritage by
Claude Bloch, Honorary President of AEPJ
- 09.30 – 12.30 “The Future of B'nai B'rith”
Debate Co-Chaired by:
Ralph Hofmann, President of B'nai B'rith Europe and
Erika van Gelder, Senior-Vice President B'nai B'rith Europe
- 12.30 – 13.45 Lunch
- 14.00 – 15.00 PLENARY II – PART II
ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION
“Is there a Future for Jews in Europe?”
Moderator:
Bent Melchior, Chief Rabbi Emeritus of Denmark
Prof. Barbara John, Vice-Chair Bureau of the EU Commission
against Racism and Intolerance
Daniel S. Mariaschin, Executive Vice-President B'nai B'rith International
An Expert on Middle East Affairs
Prof. Dr. Alfred Bodenheimer, Director for Jewish Studies and former Doyen of the
Protestant Faculty at the University of Basel
- 17.15 *Delegates are requested to be in the lobby promptly at 17.45
for transfer to the Hotel*
- Reception Gala Dinner
- 18.00 GALA DINNER - AWARD OF MERIT – (Black Tie)
- 18.45 – 20.00 Evening chaired by: **Ralph Hofmann**
Welcome by **Dr. Dr. Michel Friedman**
Former President of the Europ. Jewish Congress, Lawyer, Publicist
Presentation of the Award of Merit to Dr. Doepfner,
Chairman of the management board of the Axel Springer Stock Corporation
Laudation by Dr. Wolfgang Schaeuble,
Minister of Finance of the Federal Republic of Germany
Dinner
David D'or, world known singer from Israel
Dance

Wednesday, 11th June 2014

- 09.00 D'var Torah – Professor Simon Lauer
- 09.20 – 11.45 PLENARY III – PART I
Chairman: Derrick Smouha
Reports from the Commissions and Resolutions
Debate
- 11.45 – 12.00 PLENARY III – Part II
Chairman: Ralph Hofmann, President B'nai B'rith Europe
Location of the next Convention of B'nai B'rith Europe
- 12.00 – 12.10 Closing of the Convention
- 12.15 – 13.45 Lunch
- 14.00 – 15.00 Meeting of the new Executive Committee

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