

# PROGRAMME FOR OTSSA MEETING

Wednesday 10 September 2008

08:00-09:00	Registration and Coffee <i>Venue: Reception and Foyer</i>			
09:00-09:30	Plenary Session Chair: Jannie Hunter Opening and welcome On behalf of Univ. Namibia: Prof. Oswald Mwandemele (Pro-Vice Chancellor) On behalf of OTSSA: Jurie le Roux <i>Venue: Zambesi</i>			
09:30-10:30	Plenary lecture 1 (45 min + 15 min discussion)			
	Chair: Jannie Hunter <b>Jörg Jeremias</b> <i>The wrath of YHWH in Israel's historiography</i> <i>Venue: Zambesi</i>			
10:30-11:00	Refreshments <i>Venue: Foyer</i>			
11:00-12:00	Plenary lecture 2 (45 min + 15 min discussion)			
	Chair: Hendrik Bosman <b>David Tuesday Adamo</b> <i>A Reconstruction of the History of Ancient Israel from an African Perspective</i> <i>Venue: Zambesi</i>			
12:00-13:00	Plenary lecture 3 (45 min + 15 min discussion)			
	Chair: Hermann-Josef Stipp <b>Christoph Levin</b> <i>Israel and Canaan. The Origin of a Fictitious Antagonism</i> <i>Venue: Zambesi</i>			
13:00-14:00	Buffet Lunch <i>Venue: Dining Room</i>			
14:00-15:20	Parallel Session 1			
	Chair: Phillip Venter <i>Venue: Zambesi</i>	Chair: Hans v Deventer <i>Venue: Ruacana</i>	Chair: Yolande Steenkamp <i>Venue: Kunene</i>	Chair: Marius Nel <i>Venue: Sesriem</i>
	Parallel lecture 1.1 (30 min + 10 min discussion) <b>Ephraim Baloyi</b> <i>Genesis 1-11 as selective "historiography"</i>	Parallel lecture 2.1 (30 min + 10 min discussion) <b>Hendrik Bosman</b> <i>A Nama "Exodus"? Assimilation and resistance according to a postcolonial reading of the diaries of Hendrik Witbooi</i>	Parallel lecture 3.1 (30 min + 10 min discussion) <b>Phil Botha</b> <i>Annotated History – The implications of reading Psalm 34 in conjunction with 1 Samuel 21-24 and vice versa</i>	Parallel lecture 4.1 (30 min + 10 min discussion) <b>Gudrun Lier</b> <i>Who was Ezra? – A critical overview</i>

	Parallel lecture 1.2 (30 min + 10 min discussion)	Parallel lecture 2.2 (30 min + 10 min discussion)	Parallel lecture 3.2 (30 min + 10 min discussion)	Parallel lecture 4.2 (30 min + 10 min discussion)
	<b>Edouard Kitoko-Nsiku</b> <i>Was Cheikh Anta Diop wrong? Daring to revisit Genesis 1-11 from Oral, Written and Historical Perspectives of Ancient Near Eastern, Mediterranean and African people</i>	<b>Bernard Fansaka Biniama</b> <i>Translation as hermeneutic mark of dialogue between Judaism and the African cultures. An exegetical analysis of Ex 20:19</i>	<b>Jo-Mari Schäder</b> <i>Historical references in some non-historical Psalms? Biblical historiography versus modern historiography</i>	<b>Emmanuel O Usue</b> <i>Ezra and Nehemiah historiographical traditions: an overview</i>
15:20-15:45	Refreshments Venue: Foyer			
15:45-17:45	<b>Parallel Session 2</b>			
	Chair: Johann Cook Venue: Zambesi	Chair: Gudrun Lier Venue: Ruacana	Chair: Gert Prinsloo Venue: Kunene	Chair: Hendrik Bosman Venue: Sesriem
	Parallel lecture 5.1 (30 min + 10 min discussion)	Parallel lecture 6.1 (30 min + 10 min discussion)	Parallel lecture 7.1 (30 min + 10 min discussion)	Parallel lecture 8.1 (30 min + 10 min discussion)
	<b>Jurie le Roux</b> <i>To dream the impossible dream</i>	<b>Krüger, Paul (PP)</b> <i>Recapitulating history: A closer look at deuteronomistic passages claiming to be a review of past events</i>	<b>Yolande Steenkamp</b> <i>Past reinvented: the use of Israelite narratives of origin in the literary strategy of the historical Psalm 106</i>	<b>Fanie Cronjé</b> <i>Kores Silinder en Deutero-Jesaja se "Herder, Messias": Implikasies vir lidmate in die kerkbank</i>
	Parallel lecture 5.2 (30 min + 10 min discussion)	Parallel lecture 6.2 (30 min + 10 min discussion)	Parallel lecture 7.2 (30 min + 10 min discussion)	Parallel lecture 8.2 (30 min + 10 min discussion)
	<b>Yehoshua Gitay</b> <i>Orality and Biblical literature</i>	<b>Gerrie Snyman</b> <i>David and Shimei: innocent victim and perpetrator?</i>	<b>Johan Coetzee</b> <i>Psalm 104: A bodily interpretation of 'Yahweh's history'</i>	<b>Joseph Mavinga</b> <i>The historiography of Jeremiah's book: A twofold aspect applied to the royal oracle (23:1-8; 33:14-26)</i>
	Parallel lecture 5.3 (30 min + 10 min discussion)	Parallel lecture 6.3 (30 min + 10 min discussion)	Parallel lecture 7.3 (30 min + 10 min discussion)	Parallel lecture 8.3 (30 min + 10 min discussion)
	<b>Tzefira Gitay</b> <i>Orality and the Arts</i>	<b>Willem Boshoff</b> <i>Taking control of nature: Royal centralizations of rural cults. A comparison of unrelated events</i>	<b>Dirk Human</b> <i>Wisdom motifs in Book V: How the Psalter contributes to the ethics of the Torah</i>	<b>Marius Nel</b> <i>Deconstruction of Violence in the Daniel tales of Children's Bibles</i>

17:45-19:00	Plenary Session Business meeting <i>Venue: Zambesi</i>
19:30-Late	Dinner (on own cost) at Joe's Beer house (only for those who have made a reservation at registration) <i>Venue: Joe's Beer House</i>

### **Thursday 11 September 2008**

09:00-10:00	Plenary lecture 4 (45 min + 15 min discussion)			
	Chair: Jurie le Roux <b>Frances Klopper</b> <i>'Feminist historians recreate women in Ancient Israel in their own image.'</i> <i>Social location as a way of exposing the myth of objective biblical history</i> <i>Venue: Zambesi</i>			
10:00-11:00	Plenary lecture 5 (45 min + 15 min discussion)			
	Chair: Alphonso Groenewald <b>Theodore Seidl</b> <i>Carchemish in the Near Eastern Historiography and in the Old Testament</i> <i>Venue: Zambesi</i>			
11:00-11:30	Refreshments <i>Venue: Foyer</i>			
11:30-12:50	Parallel Session 3			
	Chair: Ephraim Baloyi <i>Venue: Zambesi</i>	Chair: Gerrie Snyman <i>Venue: Ruacana</i>	Chair: Edouard Kitoko-Nsiki <i>Venue: Kunene</i>	Chair: Herrie van Rooy <i>Venue: Sesriem</i>
	Parallel lecture 9.1 (30 min + 10 min discussion)	Parallel lecture 10.1 (30 min + 10 min discussion)	Parallel lecture 11.1 (30 min + 10 min discussion)	Parallel lecture 12.1 (30 min + 10 min discussion)
	<b>Phillip Venter</b> <i>History or His Story? Ideology of the Body in the First Creation Narrative</i>	<b>Jaco Gericke</b> <i>What is history? Contemporary analytical philosophy of history and the metaphysical assumptions of ancient Israelite historiography</i>	<b>Lesley Deysel</b> <i>King lists and genealogies in the Hebrew Bible and in Southern Africa</i>	<b>Johann Cook</b> <i>Interpreting the Septuagint: Exegesis, Theology and/or Religions-geschichte?</i>
	Parallel lecture 9.2 (30 min + 10 min discussion)	Parallel lecture 10.2 (30 min + 10 min discussion)	Parallel lecture 11.2 (30 min + 10 min discussion)	Parallel lecture 12.2 (30 min + 10 min discussion)
	<b>Niel T Oosthuizen</b> <i>"Who moved the tower?!" Genesis 11:1-9 and the dating of P – it could only have been a late-Exilic theologian</i>	<b>Hans van Deventer</b> <i>Did someone say "history"? In Africa we say "His story"!</i>	<b>Magdel le Roux</b> <i>The ngoma lungundu: An African 'Ark of the Covenant'</i>	<b>John Lübbe</b> <i>The importance of Hebrew syntax in the reading of Old Testament texts</i>

12:50-14:00	Buffet Lunch <i>Venue: Dining Room</i>
14:00-18:30	Excursion to Okapuka Lodge (incl. game drive) for those who have made a reservation with registration (travel arrangements will be announced)
19:00-Late	Barbecue dinner for all participants <i>Venue: Wanderers Sports Club (travel arrangements will be announced)</i>

**Friday 12 September 2008**

08:00-10:00	Parallel Session 4		
	Chair: Emmuanuel Usue <i>Venue: Zambesi</i>	Chair: Phil Botha <i>Venue: Ruacana</i>	Chair: Dirk Human <i>Venue: Kunene</i>
	Parallel lecture 13.1	Parallel lecture 14.1	Parallel lecture 15.1
	(30 min + 10 min discussion)	(30 min + 10 min discussion)	(30 min + 10 min discussion)
	<b>Willie van Heerden</b> <i>Retelling history in the Old Testament: The case of the books of Chronicles</i>	<b>Gert Prinsloo</b> <i>Voices from the margins: the (re)application and (re)interpretation of Israel's historical traditions in Psalms 135-136 in the context of Book V of the Psalter</i>	<b>Gerlinde Baumann</b> <i>„Laziness“ in the Old Testament – and What It Can Teach Us</i>
	Parallel lecture 13.2	Parallel lecture 14.2	Parallel lecture 15.2
	(30 min + 10 min discussion)	(30 min + 10 min discussion)	(30 min + 10 min discussion)
	<b>Louis Jonker</b> <i>Solomon in an international arena: The significance of the King of Peace for Yehud in the Persian era</i>	<b>David T Adamo &amp; Solomon Ademiluka</b> <i>The Psalms as a vehicle for historiography</i>	
	Parallel lecture 13.3	Parallel lecture 14.3	Parallel lecture 15.3
	(30 min + 10 min discussion)	(30 min + 10 min discussion)	(30 min + 10 min discussion)
	<b>Herrie van Rooy</b> <i>Reading the Psalms historically. Antiochene exegesis and a historical reading of the Psalms</i>		
10:00-10:30	Refreshments <i>Venue: Foyer</i>		

10:30-11:30	Plenary lecture 6 (45 min + 15 min discussion)
	Chair: Magdel le Roux <b>David Firth</b> <i>David and Uriah with an occasional appearance by Uriah's wife:  Reading and Re-reading 2 Samuel 11</i> Venue: Zambesi
11:30-12:30	Plenary lecture 7 (45 min + 15 min discussion)
	Chair: Louis Jonker <b>Hermann-Josef Stipp</b> <i>The Concept of the Empty Land in Jeremiah 43</i> Venue: Zambesi
12:30-13:00	Plenary Session Closing by Chairperson: Jurie le Roux Venue: Zambesi
13:00-14:00	Buffet Lunch Venue: Dining Room