“If I confess what motivated me, a woman, to become a rabbi, two things come to mind. My belief in God’s calling and my love of humans. God planted in our heart skills and a vocation without asking about gender. Therefore, it is the duty of men and women alike to work and create according to the skills given by God.”

Regina Jonas, C.-V.-Zeitung, June 23, 1938.

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Tuesday, 17 November, 2015

Centrum Judaicum (Great Hall, 3rd floor), Oranienburger Str. 28-30, 10117 Berlin

18:00
Opening Keynote

Prof. Dr. Rachel Elior

(John and Golda Cohen Professor of Jewish Philosophy and Jewish Mystical Thought at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

"The Presence and Absence of Women in the Intellectual History of the Jewish Community."

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Wednesday, 18 November, 2015

University of Potsdam, Campus Neues Palais, Am Neuen Palais 10, 14469 Potsdam

10:00
Keynote

Prof. Dr. Pamela S. Nadell

(Patrick Clendenen Chair in Women's and Gender History at the American University, Washington D.C.)

"Women Who Would Be Rabbis. A History of Women's Ordination, 1889-2010."

Plenary Panel
"Leadership and Authority. The Resilience of Tradition and the Power of Interpretation."

14:15 – 17:45
Afternoon Sessions

Conference participants will choose from concurrent sessions in the afternoon.

18:30
Reception

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Thursday, 19 November, 2015

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10:30
Conference participants will choose from concurrent sessions in the morning.

14:00 – 17:15
ABRAHAM GEIGER KOLLEG
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Geiger Plenary Session
"Feminization of Religion? Theorizing and Analyzing Religious Change."

Introduction by Rabbi Prof Walter Homolka (Rector, Abraham Geiger College, University of Potsdam)

Frankel Plenary Session
"The Impact of Women in the Rabbinate & the Ministry Today."

Introduction by Rabbi Dr. Bradley Shavit Artson (Dean, Zacharias Frankel College, University of Potsdam)

St. Nicholas Church, Am Alten Markt, 14467 Potsdam

18:00
Regina Jonas Lecture

Rabbi Denise L. Eger, D.D.

President, Central Conference of American Rabbis:

"Women as Agents of Future Change"

20:00
Concert

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