The Faculty of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and the Columbia Law School cordially invite you to an international conference:

**Legalities and Legacies:**
The Past, Present, and Future of the Palestine Mandate in International Law
21-22 June 2015
Beit Maiersdorf, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

**Sunday, 21 June 2015**

**09:00** Gathering and Registration

**09:30** Greetings
Yuval Shany, Dean, Hebrew University Faculty of Law
David Schizer, Dean Emeritus, Columbia Law School
Mr. Charles Knapp, The Knapp Family Foundation

**10:00-11:15 Panel I: The Rights of Peoples**
Chair: Yael Ronen, Sha’arei Mishpat Academic Center
Robert Barnidge, Webster University
• The Evolution of Palestinian Arab Proto-Self-Determination and 'Peoplehood' During the Mandate for Palestine
Wallace Edward Brand, US Department of Justice, ret.
• Claim of the Jewish People Under International Law to the Right of Collective Political Self-determination in Palestine

**11:45-13:30 Panel II: A Matter of Perspective**
Chair: Binyamin Blum, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Matthijs De Blois, Utrecht University
• The Unique Character of the Mandate for Palestine
Karin Loeyt, New York University
• Reinventing a Region (1915-1922): Images of the Middle East in Legal and Diplomatic Documents Leading to the Palestine Mandate

**15:00-16:20 Panel III: Discontents and Refugees**
Chair: Tomer Broude, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Amos Israel-Vleeschhouwer, Bar Ilan University
• A Jewish Ultra-Religious Critique of Nationalism, Individualism and Rights-Based Regimes: The Mandate System as a Messianic Alternative
Shoshana Barri (Ishoni), Hebrew University of Jerusalem
• “A Sacred Trust of Civilization”: The Mandate on Palestine (1922–1947) and The Jewish Refugee Problem

**17:00-18:30 Keynote Speech:**
Professor Malcolm Shaw, QC
Senior Fellow at the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, University of Cambridge, and Barrister at Essex Court Chambers, London
*The Palestine Mandate: What Did and Does It Say About International Law and What Did and Does It Say About Palestine?*

**Monday, 22 June 2015**

**09:30** Gathering

**10:00-11:15 Panel IV: Land and Water**
Chair: Robbie Sabel, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
David Schorr, Tel Aviv University
• The Urta Springs Case: The Palestine Mandate, International Law, and Imperial Constitutionalism
Eugene Kontorovich, Northwestern University & Avi Bell, Bar Ilan University
• Uti Possidetis and the Boundaries of Palestine

**11:45-13:00 Panel V: Transitions and Legacies**
Chair: Ron Dudai, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Ralph Wilde, University College London
• The Enduring Relevance of the Palestine Mandate for Ideas Concerning the Termination of Foreign Territorial Administration
Rotem Giladi, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
• Transition and Continuity: International Law and the Jewish Question at the End of the Mandate

**14:30-16:30 Roundtable Discussion:**
The Palestine Mandate: Law, History, Politics
Moderator: David Kretzmer, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Discussants: Malcolm Shaw, Yuval Shany, Ralph Wilde

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