

Curriculum Vitae- Yossef Charvit

1. Personal Data

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2. Education

Degree	Institution	Department(s)	Date Received
B. A.	The Hebrew University of Jerusalem	Jewish History, General History, International Relations	1982
M. A.	The Hebrew University of Jerusalem	Jewish History	1990
Ph. D.	University of Paris/INALCO		1999

3. Master's Thesis: Jewish Education in Constantine in an Era of Change

Mentor: Prof. Michel Abitbol

Doctoral Dissertation: The Rabbinic Elite in Algeria Facing Modernization – 1750-1914 (predoctoral DEA); The Algerian Rabbinic Elite and *Eretz Israel* in the Nineteenth Century – Tradition and Modernity (dissertation)

Mentors: Prof. René Samuel Sirat; Prof. Joseph Tedghi

4. Scholarships and Awards

Aminoah Prize, 1999

Gaon Prize, 2013

5. Research Grants Obtained

A. IHEL Foundation, Bar-Ilan University, 2007

B. Fondation du Judaïsme Français, 1993 and 2005

C. Dahan Center Research Foundation , 2008

D. Foundation of the Van Leer Institute, 2009

E. Klein Chair in the History of Rabbinical History in Europe in Recent Generations, 2011 and 2012.

F. Chair in the Leadership in Times of Distress, Bar Ilan University, 2019

G. Efrata Academic College Research Foundation, 2019

H. The Koshitsky Foundation, Department of Jewish History and Contemporary Jewry, Bar Ilan University, 2019

6. Scientific Conferences Organized

Seminar, J. R. Elyachar Center for Studies in Sephardi Heritage, Ben-Gurion University (in cooperation with the *Gai Yinassé* Institute), 1998

Ben-Zvi Institute Research Conference (in cooperation with the *Gai Yinassé* Institute), 2000

Academic Director, World Congress of the Constantine Jewish Community, March 2005

Initiator and Organizing Committee Member, International Conference on the Philosophy of R. Yéhoua Léon Askénazi (Manitou), 2006.

Member of *Halacha as an Ongoing Process* Research Group, headed by Pr. Avinoam Rosenak, Van Leer Institute, Jerusalem, 2009.

7. Outside academic activity, Other Professional Experience (public functions)

2000 – present: Member of INALCO (Paris) Research Group on the Culture of Jews of Spain and the Maghreb (membre associé au groupe de recherche – Langues, Littératures et Civilisation des Juifs du Maghreb et d’Espagne – CEJH, INALCO, Paris, 2000)

2000 – present: Member of Aminoah Prize Panel of Judges

2006: University of the Air, *Galey Zahal* Radio Station

1985 – present: Founder and Director, *Gai Yinassé* Institute for Algerian Jewish Heritage Studies

8. Areas of Scientific Expertise

Specializing in the social and intellectual history of the history of Israel of the Mediterranean basin from the Middle Ages to modern times. Specializing in the social and intellectual history of Mediterranean Jewry. Specialization in the study of North African Jewry, France and Israel in the 18th-20th centuries - with an emphasis on the Jewish communities of Algeria, Morocco and France and their connection to the Land of Israel and the State of Israel. Specialization in the history of Israeli wisdom in France (19th-20th centuries).

9. Papers Presented at Scientific Conferences

- (1) International Jewish Studies Congress, 1994: Jewish Education in Constantine in an Era of Change– 1937-1939
- (2) Ben-Zvi Institute Research Conference, 1997: The New Status of *Eretz Israel* among Rabbinic Elites in Algeria in the Modern Era
- (3) International Research Conference, Misgav Yerushalayim, 1997: French Historiography and Hebrew Historiography in the Study of the Jews of Algeria.
- (4) International Jewish Studies Congress, 1997: The Rabbinic Elite in Algeria Facing Modernity in the Nineteenth Century
- (5) Seminar, J. R. Elyachar Center for Studies in Sephardi Heritage, Ben-Gurion University (in cooperation with the *Gai Yinassé* Institute), 1998: Clandestine Israeli Activity on Algerian Soil

- (6) Ben-Zvi Institute Research Conference (in cooperation with the *Gai Yinassé* Institute), 2000: The Cultural Heritage of R. Yéhouda Léon Askénazi (Manitou)
- (7) International Research Conference, Paris, organized by Prof. Samuel Trigano, 2000: La tradition rabbinique d'Algérie face au processus d'émancipation
- (8) International Research Conference, Bar-Ilan University: Creativity and Leadership among North African and Spanish Jewry – Tolerance, Open-Mindedness and Introversion, 2000: Rabbi Yosef Renassia – Portrait of a Spiritual Leader in French Algeria
- (9) International Jewish Studies Congress, 2001: France in Nineteenth- Century Galilee According to the Abbo Family Consular Archives
- (10) Research Conference on Algerian Jewry – Identity and Heritage, Bar-Ilan University, 2002: The Rabbinic Court of Rabbi Haïm David Shlomo Zourafa's Attitude towards the Sephardic Community in *Eretz Israel* at the end of the Ottoman Era in Algeria (1824): The Last Days of Jewish Autonomy in Algeria
- (11) Research Conference – Women in the East, Women from the East, Past and Present, Bar-Ilan University, March 7, 2002: The Unconventional Path of Colette Aboulker-Muscat: From the Jewish Underground in Algeria to her Naturopathy Practice in Israel – Between Tradition and Modernity, Between Zionism and Frenchism
- (12) Research Conference on Orientalism and Education – Oriental and Sephardic Jews in Israel and the Diaspora, May, 5, 2002: Chaired session in Spanish and Oriental Jews in the Holocaust
- (13) Identity and Tradition – 40 Years since the Exodus from Algeria, Conference held at Bar-Ilan University, December 2002: From the Land of the Islands to *Eretz Israel*: Algerian Jews and the State of Israel at its first Jubilee
- (14) Women and Migration: Conference held at Bar-Ilan University, March 2003: The Jewish Woman in Algeria in the Modern Era According to Research Literature and Rabbinic Literature – Contradictory and Complementary Trends
- (15) International Conference on Moroccan Jewry, Bar-Ilan University, May 18-19, 2004: The Charles Netter Association in Morocco as a Center for Dissemination of Torah and Hebrew Culture (1930-1956)
- (16) Conference on Algerian Jewry, Dahan Center, Bar-Ilan University, 2005: A panel analyzed the spiritual leadership of R. Yéhouda Léon Askénazi after hearing a brief biographical review
- (17) Academic Director, World Conference of the Jewish Community of Constantine, March 2005: The Contribution of the Jews of Constantine to the State of Israel
- (18) World Jewish Studies Congress, Summer 2005: The Hebrew *Maskil* R. Yitzhak Morali (1867-1952) at the Cusp of the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries in Algeria, According to a Previously Unresearched Archive (Central Archives of the History of the Jewish People, p. 55)
- (19) Fifteenth Conference of the College of Judea and Samaria, 2005: The First Floor of Beit Hadassah in Hebron – 5643: Algerian Jewry's Attachment to Hebron

- (20) International Conference on French Jewry, Bar-Ilan University, May 2006: The Special Contribution of R. Yéhoua Léon Askénazi (Manitou) to the Parisian School of Jewish Thought
- (21) The European Congress on Jewish Studies, Moscow, Summer 2006: Rabbinic Literature as a Historical Source for Modern Era Research – Algerian Jewry as a Case Study
- (22) Initiation, preparation and organization of an International Conference on the philosophy of R. Yéhoua Léon Askénazi (Manitou), 2006: Cultures Vying for Primacy in the Philosophy of R. Yéhoua Léon Askénazi (Manitou)
- (23) International Conference on Ideology and Halacha, Van Leer Institute and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, December 2006: of R. Yéhoua Léon Askénazi (Manitou)'s Overall Outlook and His Views on Conversion in Particular – Halacha and Identity
- (24) International Conference on Christianity and Judaism, Bar-Ilan University, January 2007: Jewish-Christian Dialogue According to the Philosophy of R. Yéhoua Léon Askénazi (Manitou)
- (25) Invited by Profs. Daniel Tollet and Paul Fenton to lecture about my book at the Sorbonne (Paris IV) on March 13, 2007: *La France, l'élite rabbinique d'Algérie et la Terre Sainte au XXXéme siècle – Tradition et Modernité* Honoré Champion, Sorbonne Paris IV, Paris, 2005
- (26) International Conference on the Jewish Name, Bar-Ilan University, June 2007: R. Maurice Eisenbeth, Chief Rabbi of Algeria
- (27) Conference on my book and in memory of Prof. André Chouraqui, Ben-Zvi Institute, November 2007: *La France, l'élite rabbinique d'Algérie et la Terre Sainte au XIXéme siècle – Tradition et Modernité* Honoré Champion, Sorbonne Paris IV, Paris, 2005
- (28) International conference at the Ben-Zvi Institute on the publication of Prof. Samuel Trigano's book, December 2007: 'They Will Stand Together' – Assessing the Multifaceted Leadership in the Spanish Diaspora
- (29) Research Conference on Jewish Studies, Nationalism, Leadership and the Rabbinate: In the Footsteps of the Rishon Lezion Yaakov Meir, June 2008: Postponing the Demise of Alms Collection in Algeria During the Time of R. Yaakov Meir
- (30) Fifteenth World Jewish Studies Congress, Summer 2009: The Holocaust and Rebirth in the Philosophy of R. Yéhoua Léon Askénazi (Manitou)
- (31) Research Conference on Youth Movements in North Africa, Dahan Center, Bar-Ilan University, September 2009: The Charles Netter Movement – Between the Community Establishment and the Zionist-Pioneering Establishment
- (32) Participation in a Research Group – *Halacha as an Ongoing Process* –headed by Dr. Avinoam Rosenak, at the Van Leer Institute in Jerusalem throughout 2009
- (33) Conference Marking 40 Years of Aliyah from France, Dahan Center, Bar-Ilan University, December 28, 2009: Chaired session on the world of literature and spirituality.

(34) Colloque international: Judaïsmes du Maghreb et la France, traditions et transformations 27-30 juin 2010: 'L'attitude plurivoque des Juifs d'Algérie à l'égard de la Puissance française, 1830-1962'.

(35) Fourth International Conference on the Philosophy of Halakhah: *Halakhah as an Event*, 28-29 December 2010, The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem: 'Halakhah as an Ongoing Process – Humor as a Leitmotif in the career of R. Yéhouda Léon Askénazi (Manitou) as a Rabbi and Spiritual Leader'.

(36) International Conference. *The Jews in Italy: Their contribution to the Development and Spread of Jewish Heritage*, University of Bologna (Ravenna) & University of Florence, Italy, 5-9.9.2011: 'The influence of Rabbi Eliyahu Benamozegh of Livorno on Rabbi Yéhouda Léon Askénazi (Manitou)'s aspiration towards the Construction of an optimal Jewish Wisdom'.

(37) International Academic Conference: *That Terrible Summer - 70 Years of the Extermination of Jewish Communities in the Field Cities of Lithuania*, 27 March 2011 (24.11.11), Efrata Academic College, Holocaust and Commemoration Center, Research and Education Center "From Jerusalem to Lithuania", Jerusalem: Chairman of the session: "Lithuanian Jews in the shadow of the decrees."

(38) Seminar on the occasion of the appearance of the volume "Algeria" in the series "Communities of Israel in the East in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries": *A Look at Algeria and its Jews, on the 50th Anniversary of Algeria's Independence* 23.2.2012, Ben Zvi Institute, Jerusalem: 'What did Algerian Jews really think about power and French culture? Algerian-style war and peace.'

(39) Seminar: *Figures and Leaders in the Algerian Jewish Community*. 4.6.2012. Dahan Center, Bar Ilan University: 'Rabbi Yehuda Leon Ashkenazi, in the face of the achievements of the wisdom of Israel - Paris, Berlin and Jerusalem'.

(40) International Conference: *Fifty Years of Algerian Independence*. Bar Ilan University, March 17, 2012: Chairman: Algeria: Indoor and Foreign Characteristics Since Independence.

(41) International Conference: *Interfaith Contacts in Cultural Work: Jews, Christians, Muslims*, 13-24 Tevet 5733 (26-27.12.12). The Open University: 'The intercultural discourse committed between the members of the Avraham family - an essay and deed by Rabbi Yehuda Leon Ashkenazi (Manitou)'.

(42) The Second Annual International Conference of the Department of Israeli History Bar Ilan University, 5-6.6.2013: *Economic History of the Jews for Generations: Sources, Methodology, Narratives: 'Economics and Art in Colonial Frameworks: The Jews of Constantine (Algeria), 1934'*.

(43) Seminar on *Midrash and Education*, Efrata College, 9.6.2013: 'The historical code of the Midrash and the prophetic tradition'.

(44) The Sixteenth World Congress of Jewish Studies, 28.7-1.8.2013: 'The Wisdom of Israel in France in the Twentieth Century - Between Berlin and Jerusalem.'

(45) Faculty of Law, Bar Ilan University, *Rabbi Uziel Conference*, 20-22.10.2013: 'To the question of the fasting of destruction after Israel's independence: Rabbi Uziel and the sages of Turkey and Algeria (1949).'

(46) The Third Annual International Conference of the Department of Israeli History and Contemporary Jewry, Bar Ilan University - *Chief Rabbis: Between Religious Leadership and Political Leadership. To mark the 75th anniversary of the death of Rishon LeZion Rabbi Yaakov Meir*. 8.6.2014: 'Eastern European Jews in Algeria - Pattern of Rabbi Avraham Moshe Fingerhut's Rabbinical Activities (1909-1962), in French Algeria (1936-1962).'

(47) International Conference *Jewish Solidarity during the Holocaust*, Yad Vashem, 15-18.12.2014: 'Identity and Solidarity: Shades and Trends of Solidarity among Algerian Jews'.

(48) "A world is turning upside down." *World War I and its Implications for the Jewish World*, Efrat College, February 26, 2015: 'Algerian Jews at the forefront of Dardanelles in World War I - the pinnacle of French emancipation and patriotism'.

(49) Institute for the Study of Zionism and Israel, Tel Aviv University *Pioneering Zionism in the Diaspora: Youth Movements Abroad After the Establishment of the State*, January 25, 2016: Charles Netter Youth Movement, Morocco - Social and Cultural Activities: Between the Community and Zionist-Pioneers.

(50) Pardes Conference. Annual academic Conference at Jerusalem College. *Jewish Work for Generations: Thought and Art, Halacha and Life - A Trip in the Orchard and Cultural Discourse*, Jerusalem College, 11.2.2016: 'Yeshivas and Jewish Scholarship in an Age of Transformation - French Algeria, 1830-1962'.

(51) *Zionism between realization and redemption*. Efrata College. 1-2.3.2017: 'The Sabbatean Syndrome and its seal on the study of the Messianic idea and Zionism'.

(52) 120 years of the Zionist Congress. *Zionist activity in Arab and Eastern countries*. Dahan Center Bar Ilan University. 21.3.2017: 'Community and pioneering youth movements in Algeria.

(53) My heart is in the East. International Conference - *Sages of the East in Recent Generations*. Orot Israel College. 10.5.2017: 'The Historical Partnership between the Sages of Algeria and the Sages of the Land of Israel, in an Age of Transformation'.

(54) 17th World Congress of Jewish Studies. The Hebrew University Jerusalem, 9.8.2017: Chairman of the session - Paths in Early Zionism Part II; Lecturer: "'You were born Zionists' (Nahum Sokolov): A study of the roots of Zionism built into the Spanish diaspora."

(55) Center Dahan Conference: *Religious Zionism and the Jews of the Islamic Lands*, December 25, 2017: "Rabbi YL Ashkenazi (Manitou) and His Attitude to the Rabbi's Center and the NRP: Between 'Laws of the State' and 'Authentic Sephardism'."

(56) Efrat College, *70 years of state - education, Judaism and society*. Academic Conference, 22.2.2018: 'A Re-Examination of Algerian Jewish Public Law (1963) in the Face of the Great Migrations from Islamic Lands (1948-1970)'.

(57) Ben Zvi Institute, Jerusalem, *Boys and girls in the Jewish communities in the Islamic countries and the Spanish diaspora*. 22.3.2018: "Few are the books on Jewish youth movements in the Jewish world in general and in North Africa in particular." (The late Dr. David Cohen).

(58) My heart is in the East. International Conference - Judaism in Islamic Lands - *Return to the State of Israel*. Orot Israel College. 9.5.2018: "Between the normative and chaotic messianic idea - the historiographical implications, in the study of Zionism and the rebirth of Israel."

(59) International Conference in Portugal. *Portuguese Jews and the Spanish-Portuguese Jewish Diaspora*, 27-28.6.19, 2.7.2018 Dahan Center and the Universities of Lisbon and Porto: 'Since Donna Gracia to Marco Yosef Baruch: From the Normative Messianic Idea to Its Reflection, Zionism'.

(60) Bar Ilan University Dahan Center and Ben Zvi Institute, *A conference marking the day of the departure and deportation of Jews from Arab countries*. 27.11.2018: 'Immigration and Settlement of the Jews of the Arab Lands'.

(61) My heart is in the East. International Conference - *The Relationships between Sephardic Jewry and Ashkenazi Jewry in Modern Times*. Orot Israel Academic College, 29.5.2019: 'Inter Diaspora meeting at the Orsay Beit Midrash in Paris 1946-1970'.

(62) Ben Zvi Institute, Jerusalem, *The women of the book: intellectual activity and writing among Jewish women in Islamic countries. International Research Workshop*, 24.6.2019: 'Colette Aboulker - The High Priestess of Guided Imagery. Family Traditions and Sources of Suction from Jewish Scholarship'.

(63) The first international conference on *the study of the Hassidic Experience - Book, Story and Melody*, The Chair of the Study of Hasidism, Bar Ilan University, in collaboration with research Centers around the world, 8.7.2019: 'Eli Wiesel's unique contribution to the Hassidic story - between Holocaust and revival, between Jewish scholarship and 'excess soul'.

(64) Bar Ilan University, Department of Jewish Thought, *International Conference in Honor of Prof. Eliane Amado Levy Valensi - Philosophy, Psychoanalysis and Jewish Studies*, 11.2.2020: 'Etre Juive Séfaraite en France face à la Shoah et la Tekouma – Réflexions historiographiques'.

(65) International Conference Ben Gurion University and Ben Zvi Institute - "*Because I Was There I Live*": *Rabbi Chaim Vital and His World to Mark the 400th Anniversary of His Death (1620-2020)*, 26-27 Elul 5715 (15-16.9.20): 'Controversy between the students of Rabbi I.L. Ashkenazi (Ari) and their settlement in the beit midrash of Rabbi Y.L. Ashkenazi-Manitou. "

**Charvit Yossef brief Academic profile,
Academic Fields of Specialization
and research exposure:**

Dr. Yossef Charvit lectures on the history of Israel in the Department of Israeli History at Bar Ilan University and at the Efrata Academic College. From the Middle Ages to the Modern Age and in Bar Ilan he teaches the history of Israel from the early modern period to the history of contemporary Judaism.

Specializing in the social and intellectual history of Mediterranean Jewry. Specialization in the study of North African Jewry, France and Israel in the 18th-20th centuries - with an emphasis on the Jewish communities of Algeria, Morocco and France and their connection to the Land of Israel and the State of Israel. Specialization in the history of Israeli wisdom in France (19th-20th centuries). Specializing in the social and intellectual history of the history of Israel and the peoples of the Mediterranean basin from the Middle Ages to modern times.

Dr. Charvit specializes in the history of the wisdom of Israel in France and delved into the history of the Parisian School of Wisdom of Israel. Dr. Charvit has published a comprehensive historical study of Rabbi Yehuda Leon Ashkenazi - Manitou: *Hebrew and beyond - an intellectual portrait of Rabbi I.L. Ashkenazi-Manitou* (Idra, 2019). He is the author of 11 books and dozens of articles dealing with these issues. The most prominent of them, deals with the sages of Algeria and Israel in the nineteenth century - tradition and modernity, which was published in the scientific publication of the Sorbonne (Honoré Champion, Paris):

- Charvit Yossef, *La France, l'élite rabbinique d'Algérie et la Terre Sainte au XIXème siècle - Tradition et Modernité*, Honoré Champion – Sorbonne Paris IV, Paris, 2005

In March 2007, Dr. Sharvit was invited to the Sorbonne to give a lecture following the publication of his book; in November 2007, a one-day research conference was held at the Ben Zvi Institute in honor of this book.

Dr. Sharvit began writing a new study that discusses the roots of the Holocaust and the revival and their occurrence in the lands of Christianity and Islam, while comparing the Diaspora of Israel (16th-20th centuries). He has discussed this at six international conferences in the last decade (World Congress of Jewish Studies 2009, Efrat College 2017, World Congress of Jewish Studies 2017, Orot College 2018, Portugal 2019, Ben Gurion University and Ben Zvi Institute, 2020).

Following his lectures on IDF waves (2006), he published his book, *Algerian Jews in the French Era*, The Broadcasting University (Ministry of Defense, 2009), which summarizes his research in French, English and Hebrew. Dr. Charvit is the recipient of the Aminoah Prize (1999) and the Gaon Prize (2013), for research and creation.

Research exposure: 361 followers in Academia.edu. Thousands of followers in many lectures on YouTube. Thousands of readers in his articles on the Manitou Institute website. Coming soon a Wikipedia entry.