

Conferences

Every two years, a general meeting is held, which is connected with a colloquium whose subject is defined by the DPV members. Due to the academic lectures and discussions as to various opportunities to exchange, these meetings can be seen as a forum conducting mutual information.

“Zeitschrift des Deutschen Palästina-Vereins” ZDPV – the DPV’s journal

The ZDPV is released twice a year and each DPV member gets a copy for free. Essays sent for publication are peer-reviewed. They can be written in German, English or French and treat one of the following subjects of Ancient Palestine’s history and culture:

- Archaeology
- History of Religion
- Topography
- Ethnology
- Iconography
- Philology and Literature

„Abhandlungen des Deutschen Palästina Vereins” ADPV – the DPV’s treatises

Since 1969, the DPV has been promoting and taking care of a number of monographs, which are published at irregular intervals. They treat the same topics as the essays published in the ZDPV.

The library

Due to close contacts with other associations and institutions having similar interests, the DPV has been able to establish a library, which contains journals dealing with the exploration of Ancient Palestine and associated subjects.

The Society’s aims

According to the purpose of its original members, the DPV endeavours to promote and spread the knowledge of Ancient Palestine’s history and culture. Due to this, we apply to every person and institution that is interested in our activities and ask them to support our association by applying for membership.

Subsidies

Subject to its financial situation, the DPV promotes scientific research projects exploring Ancient Palestine. The subsidies are tendered in the ZDPV and on the Society’s homepage.

Homepage

Our homepage contains current information, details about the Society’s history, its goals, the board members and various publications. Additionally, it provides the possibility of searching essays and authors of the ZDPV and of joining the DPV.

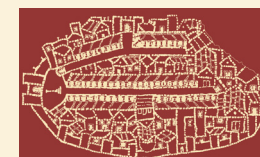
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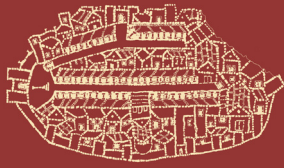
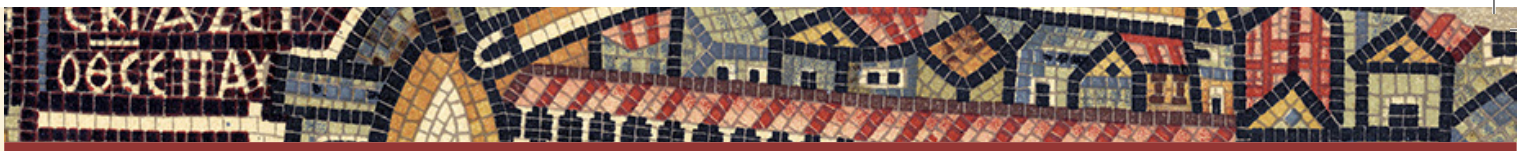
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GERMAN SOCIETY FOR THE EXPLORATION OF ANCIENT PALESTINE (DPV)

Since its constitution in 1877, the scientific exploration of the history and culture of Ancient Palestine – especially of its biblical history – has been the Society's main goal. For this purpose, the DPV brings together people who are interested in this field of study, additionally making the research results accessible to a wide public.

The constitution of the DPV

On September 28, 1877, the German Society for the Exploration of Ancient Palestine was founded on the initiative of C. Zimmermann (Basel), A. Socin (Tübingen) and E. Kautzsch (Basel). The number of members grew rapidly, as the membership was neither limited by political borders nor by religious differences.

The Society's development after its constitution

Thanks to its positive development, the DPV was able to establish a library with books focusing on the exploration of ancient Palestine, additionally to its publishing activities. Furthermore, an expedition fund was established to promote various projects in Palestine, e.g., the recovery of the Shiloa-Inscription (C. Schick) and excavations in Jerusalem (H. Guthe) and Megiddo (G. Schumacher and C. Watzinger). Supported by this fund, many topographical and ethnological research projects could be conducted and their results published.

Dissolution and re-constitution

Ethnological and archaeological collections gathered in the course of these projects were destroyed, when on December 4, 1943, an air raid hit Leipzig and annihilated the Society's library. Under difficult circumstances, M. Noth was able to publish volume 67 of the ZDPV in 1944/45, but after this, its publication was stopped. The year 1949 saw the dissolution of the DPV. The gap until its re-constitution on July 31, 1952, could not be fully closed by the publication of the "Beiträge zur biblischen Landes- und Altertumskunde" (1949-1951), which were counted as volume 68 of the ZDPV.

Development since the re-constitution of the DPV

Since 1953, when volume 69 was published, the ZDPV has been published regularly and under its original name. It maintained the strong links to its German-language tradition, but is supplemented by English and French articles today and therefore has gained international character. This reflects the Society's development which won many national as well as international members during the time it was chaired by M. Noth, O. Plöger, H. Donner, H. Weippert and U. Hübner.

Literature concerning the Society's history

U. Hübner (Ed.):

Palaestina exploranda. Studien zur Erforschung Palästinas im 19. und 20. Jahrhundert anlässlich des 125jährigen Bestehens des Deutschen Vereins zur Erforschung Palästinas, Abhandlungen des Deutschen Palästina Vereins 34, 2006.



ACCESSION TO THE GERMAN SOCIETY FOR THE EXPLORATION OF ANCIENT PALESTINE (DPV)

I hereby declare my application for membership of the Deutscher Verein zur Erforschung Palästinas e.V. starting from January 1th _____ (Please fill in the year).

Membership in the German Society for the Exploration of Ancient Palestine begins with the calendar year. The membership fee – including the subscription of the journal (ZDPV) – is € 40.00 regular and € 20.00 for students (please hand in your certificate of enrollment).

Admission to the DPV is also possible via the homepage: www.palaestina-verein.de

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