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2025 BERNARD LEWIS PRIZE

The **2025 Bernard Lewis Prize** will be awarded to scholars or practitioners engaged in the study of antisemitism, a subject of great importance to our founding chairman, Prof. Bernard Lewis. While Christian antisemitism is well-studied, a stigma remains around addressing antisemitism in the Muslim world. Beyond this, relatively few scholars focus on the Middle Eastern dimensions of Christian antisemitism in religious and cultural terms, much less the political impacts in the West.

The **2025 Bernard Lewis Prize** will award published or unpublished work that addresses the aforementioned issues in the form of an article, book or book chapter. Recipients of the \$2,500 prize will be announced and awarded at the **Eighteenth Annual ASMEA Conference** in Washington, D.C. on November 1-3, 2025. Additionally, all finalists will present and discuss their work during the Conference.



There has been quite a lot of argument of late about whether or not there is a tradition of anti-Semitism

in the Islamic Middle East. Some say it is there, right from the beginnings of Islam; others say that it is a modern innovation introduced from the West, more specifically from Christendom.

Prof. Bernard Lewis

(Notes on a Century: Reflections of a Middle East Historian, 2012)

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY JULY 1, 2025.

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