EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION FOR HOLOCAUST STUDIES (EAHS)

Second International Conference
CURRENT RESEARCH ON AUSCHWITZ HISTORY AND MEMORY
14th-16th November 2017

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Organisers:
The European Association for Holocaust Studies (EAHS), in cooperation with the
British Association for Holocaust Studies (BAHS), the Pedagogical University of
Kraków, and the Jagiellonian University, Kraków (Centre for Holocaust Studies and the
UNESCO Chair in Education about the Holocaust)

Sponsors:
The Auschwitz-Birkenau Death Camp Victims Memorial Foundation, British Association
for Holocaust Studies, German Historical Institute in Warsaw, City of Kraków

Conference venue:
Kraków, Poland

13/11/17: Optional Study Visit to the Auschwitz Museum

14/11/17. Day One: at the Jagiellonian University
09:30-10:00 Registration and welcome coffee
10:00-10:30 Welcome remarks by the conference’s organizational partners
10:30-11:15 Opening Lecture: Professor Zdzisław Mach (UNESCO Chair of
Education about the Holocaust, Jagiellonian University)
11:15-11:45 Coffee Break
11:45-13:15

Panel 1a: The Memory of Auschwitz in Poland

1. Marek Kucia (Jagiellonian University): ‘Auschwitz: a symbol of the martyrdom of the Polish nation?’
3. Piotr Trojański (Pedagogical University of Kraków): ‘The Image of Auschwitz in Polish History Textbooks: A Historical Perspective.’

Panel 1b: Ethics and Representation: Auschwitz in the Visual and Performing Arts

2. Charlotte Mears (Kingston University): ‘Representing Auschwitz in Comic Books.’

13:15-14:15 Lunch

14:15-15:45

Panel 2a: Auschwitz and Spain

1. Marta Simó (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona): ‘Combating memories: teaching and learning about the Holocaust in Catalonia.’ [co-authored]
2. Marta Simó (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona): ‘Spanish political deportees and Spanish Jews in Auschwitz.’

Panel 2b: Writing the Holocaust

1. Kirsten A. Bartels (Louisiana Scholars' College): ‘Mirrors and lenses: Multiple views on Recognition in Holocaust Literature.’

15:45-16:15 Coffee break

16:15-17:45 Panel 3: Panel of the German Historical Institute

2. **Christhardt Henschel** (German Historical Institute, Warsaw): ‘Polish Jews in a German Cultural Landscape? German Occupation and Extermination Policy against Jews in Regierungsbezirk Zichenau.’

3. **Katrin Stoll** (German Historical Institute, Warsaw): ‘Täterforschung: Recent Trends and Tendencies in German Scholarship on the Study of Holocaust Perpetrators.’

**18:30-19:15** Wine Reception, hosted by the German Embassy, Warsaw.

**19:30** Dinner

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**15/11/17. Day Two: at the Pedagogical University**

**09:30-10:00** Registration and coffee


**10:45-12:15** Panel 4: Auschwitz Eyewitnesses Then and Now - British Association for Holocaust Studies Panel I

1. **Sue Vice** (University of Sheffield) ‘The Broad Report’: Claude Lanzmann’s Interview with Pery Broad.’

2. **Tom Lawson** (Northumbria University): ‘History Writing and the Sonderkommando.’


**12:15-12:45** Coffee break

**12:45-13:45** Panel 5: Auschwitz Eyewitnesses Then and Now - British Association for Holocaust Studies Panel II

1. **Isabel Wollaston** (University of Birmingham): ‘(Re-)Visualizing the ‘heart of hell’? The Auschwitz Sonderkommando and the limits of representation, with particular reference to David Olère and Son of Saul.’

2. **Imogen Dalziel** (Royal Holloway, University of London): Auschwitz on Social Media: Community-Building and the Shaping of Memory

**13:45-14:45** Lunch

**14:45-16:15**

Panel 6a: Testimonies of the Holocaust
1. **Jan Miklas-Frankowski** (University of Gdańsk): ‘Dr. Mengele’s Gypsies and their painter: Lidia Ostałowka’s “Water Colours.”’


**Panel 6b: Material Auschwitz**

1. **Matthew Walker** (Lancaster University): ‘Objects of Trauma: Auschwitz Representation and the Role of Metonymy.’


3. **Joanna Kabrońska** (Gdańsk University of Technology): ‘The Role of Architecture in Constructing Auschwitz.’

**16:30-18:00** EAHS business meeting

**18:30-19:15** Wine Reception, hosted by the USC Shoah Foundation

**19:30** Dinner

**16/11/17. Day Three: at the Galicia Jewish Museum**

**09:00-09:30** Registration and coffee

**09:30-10:00** Welcome talk, **Anna Wencel** (Director of Education, Galicia Jewish Museum): ‘Teaching about the Holocaust in a Museum: The Educational Programmes of the Galicia Jewish Museum.’

**10:00-11:30**

**Panel 7a: Working with Testimony: Translation and Interpretation**


2. **Peter Davies** (University of Edinburgh): ‘“I will try to speak in German”: Filip Müller’s testimony at the Frankfurt Auschwitz trial and the problem of translation.’

3. **Wojciech Owczarski** (University of Gdańsk): ‘The Auschwitz camp in the former inmates’ dreams.’

**Panel 7b: Auschwitz Today: Perspectives from the Social Sciences**
1. **Eleni Karayianni, Alice Pettigrew and Andy Pearce** (UCL Centre for Holocaust Education): ‘What do English secondary school students know and understand about Auschwitz and the Holocaust?’

2. **Alasdair Richardson** (University of Winchester): ‘Encountering Auschwitz: Visitors’ experiences of Oswiecim and Auschwitz Birkenau.’

3. **Thomas Van de Putte** (King’s College London): ‘The diverse memory of contemporary Auschwitz/Oswiecim: an interactional sociological approach.’

**11:30-12:00** Coffee break

**12:00-13:00**

**Panel 8a: The Auschwitz Museum**


2. **Jacek Lachendro** (Auschwitz Museum): ‘The First Two Exhibitions at the State Museum in Auschwitz.’

**Panel 8b: Auschwitz in Institutional Memory**

1. **Carolyn Robinson Sanzenbacher** (Parkes Institute, University of Southampton): ‘Reparation and Salvation: Conversionary Tracking of Jews Before, During, and In the Embers of the Holocaust.’

2. **Arye Schreiber** (affiliation tbc): ‘EU Data Protection Laws and the Challenge to Auschwitz Memory.’

**13:00-13:30** Closing session – **Jonathan Webber**, EAHS

**13:30-14:30** Lunch