

Roma Genocide Remembrance Initiative 2014
„Education for Remembrance of the Roma Genocide“
Krakow, Poland: July 31-August 1, 2014

Thursday, July 31st, 2014

09:00 - 09:30 Opening speeches

Prof. Michał Śliwa, Rector of Pedagogical University
Plenipotentiary for Equal Treatment, Republic of Poland (tbc)
Jacek Majchrowski, President of Krakow City (tbc)
Lina Papamichalopoulou, Head of Unit Non-discrimination Policies
and Roma Coordination, DG Justice, European Commission
Lera Savchenkova, Advisory Council on Youth, Council of Europe
Aurora Ailincăi, Head of Strategic Partnerships Unit, Roma Team,
Council of Europe
Soraya Post, MEP (tbc)
Karolina Mirga, ternYpe International Roma Youth Network

**09:30 - 10:00 Introduction: Key-note speeches: Importance of Roma Holocaust
education and remembrance**

Prof. Sławomir Kapralski, Pedagogical University of Krakow; Senior
Fellow, Vienna Wiesenthal Institute for Holocaust Studies.
Andrzej Mirga, independent expert

**10:00 - 11:15 PANEL 1: Awareness and research about the Roma Genocide in the
World War II**

Mikhail Tyaglyy, *Ukrainian Center for Holocaust Studies*, The
persecution of Roma in Ukraine and other former Soviet countries,
Patrice Bensimone and Costel Nastasie, *Yahad in Unum*, Research in
Romania and Transnistria
Dr. Piotr Trojański, *Pedagogical University in Krakow*, IHRA Project
“Multi-year work plan on killing sites”
Michał Kalisz, *Branch Office of Public Education of the Institute of
National Remembrance in Rzeszów (IPN)*, The extermination of the Roma
population in the Rzeszów region in the years 1939 - 1944
Zdzisław Jurkowski, *Institute of National Remembrance (IPN)*,
Investigation of the Committee of Prosecutors of Nazi crimes against
Roma
Dagmara Mrozowska, *Jagiellonian University in Krakow*, Roma and Sinti
in the Auschwitz II – Birkenau concentration camp

Moderation: Anna Mirga, PhD candidate – Autonomous University of
Barcelona, ternYpe International Roma Youth Network



11.15 – 11.30 **COFFEE BREAK**

11.30 – 13.00 **WORKSHOPS 1: Awareness and research about the Roma Genocide in the World War II**

Please note that the topics of the workshops may be subject of change.

Group 1: Roma Genocide in Serbia and Croatia/ camps where Roma were killed, Dragoljub Acković

Group 2: Local historical research with testimonies and archives, Mikhail Tyaglyy, Ukrainian Center for Holocaust Studies

Group 3: Collecting testimonies in Roma communities, Andrej Umansky and Costel Nastasie, Yahad in Unum

Group 4: The Significance of the Roma genocide for young people in today's Europe, dr. Piotr Trojański

Group 5: Learning about the genocide of Roma through biographies and photo documents, Karen Polak

13:00 – 15:00 **LUNCH BREAK**

15:00 – 16:30 **PANEL 2: Memorial days, commemoration and recognition. How to bring meaning into memorial days?**

Prof. Ethel Brooks, *Rutgers University*, International recognition and commemoration

Dragoljub Acković, *Deputy Director, Office for Human and Minority Rights, Government of Republic of Serbia*, Impact of Roma genocide in literary production

Miroslav Broz, *Konexe*, Lety concentration camp

Adam Bartosz, *Regional Ethnographic Museum in Tarnów*, International Roma Caravan of Memory

Jane Braden-Golay, European Union of Jewish Students

Karolina Mirga, ternYpe International Roma Youth Network

Moderator: Adriatik Hasantari, Phiren Amenca Network / Roma Active Albania

16:30 – 16:45 **COFFEE BREAK**

16.45 – 18.00 **WORKSHOPS 2: Memorial days, commemoration and recognition**

Please note that the topics of the workshops may be subject of change.

Group 1: Roma genocide education for remembrance. The potential role of European Roma Institute (ERI), Prof. Ethel Brooks

Group 2: 16th of May - Romani Resistance Day : The danger of being a victim, La Voix des Roms / ERGO Network

Group 3: "Caravan of Memory" and other educational and archival activities of the Regional Ethnographic Museum in Tarnów, Adam Bartosz and Natalia Gancarz

Group 4: Memorial days, remembrance and identity, Dr. Sławomir Kapralski, Pedagogical University

Group 5: Memorial days and commemoration - sharing from the Jewish perspective, European Union of Jewish Students



Friday, August 1st, 2014

09:00 – 09:30 Introduction of the day

Karolina Mirga, ternYpe International Roma Youth Network
Report of the observers of the working groups

09:30 – 11:00 PANEL 3: Roma genocide and Holocaust education. Experiences, methodologies and educational tools

Tatjana Peric, Deputy Chief of the OSCE ODIHR Contact Point on Roma and Sinti Issues

Ellie Keen, trainer, author of the Council of Europe handbook “Right to Remember: A handbook for education with young people on the Roma Genocide”

Prof. Gerhard Baumgartner, researcher and author of the teaching materials “The Fate of European Roma and Sinti during the Holocaust”

Karen Polak, IHRA, Best practices and new strategies through online tools

Teresa Wontor-Cichy, Auschwitz Museum – Holocaust education in historical places and museums

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Moderator: Esteban Acuña, Freiburg University

11.00-11.30 Coffee Break

11.30-13.00 WORKSHOPS 3: Roma genocide and Holocaust education. Experiences, methodologies and educational tools

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Group 1: Consultation on ternYpe interactive, educational online platform, Karolina Mirga

Group 2: Holocaust education in historic places and museums, Auschwitz Museum, Teresa Wontor-Cichy

Group 3: Teaching materials “The Fate of European Roma and Sinti during the Holocaust”, Prof. Gerhard Baumgartner

Group 4: Handbook “Right to Remember: A handbook for education with young people on the Roma Genocide”, Ellie Keen

Group 5: Video testimonies in Education - using testimonies of the USC Shoah Foundation, Narcisz Vida, Zachor Foundation

13.00-15.00 Lunch Break

15.00-16.00 CLOSING SESSION: Education for remembrance

Closing plenary with observers and participants of the meeting



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