

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF MEMORIAL MUSEUMS IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE VICTIMS OF PUBLIC CRIMES

IC MEMO 2015 CONFERENCE

Form-Architecture-Memory

Munich and Flossenbuerg, Germany
Sunday, November 8, 2015 – Wednesday November 11, 2015

Host Institutions: Jewish Museum Munich Flossenbuerg Memorial Site

Dear colleagues and friends,

The International Committee of Memorial Museums in Remembrance of the Victims of Public Crimes (IC MEMO) invites you to participate in the 2015 Conference "Form-Architecture-Memory" to take place in Munich and Flossenbuerg, Germany, November 8-11, 2015. International speakers from countries including Mexico, Russia, Ukraine, Japan, Israel, the Netherlands, Belgium, France, Austria, Germany, Spain, the United States, Armenia, Romania and Lithuania will be sharing their expertise on topics such as "Activating Social Action in Memorial Museums" and "New Exhibitions dedicated to the 100th Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide". The keynote speaker is Professor Barbara Holzer of Zurich.

The theme of the Conference will be further explored in various scheduled visits, including the recently-opened Munich Documentation Centre for the History of National Socialism and the site of the future Munich Olympic Park, where a new memorial commemorating the victims of the 1972 Munich Massacre is being planned. Participants will also visit the new Education Center at the Flossenbuerg Memorial Site and join in the solemn commemoration of Kristalllnacht, the Night of Broken Glass (November 9/10, 1938), at the site of the former Main Synagogue of Munich.

IC MEMO is one of 31 International Committees in ICOM, the International Council of Museums with over 35,000 members, professionals and academics who represent the global museum community. Join us at IC MEMO, share your expertise and network with colleagues who excel in their fields the world over.

For the Board of IC MEMO: For the hosts:
Karen Franklin Bernhard Purin

(Chair) (Director Jewish Museum Munich)

As Conference Chairs: Joerg Skriebeleit

Ophelia Leon (Director Flossenbuerg Concentration Camp Memorial) (Treasurer)

Markus Moors (Secretary)

Timetable

Sunday, November 8

The Opening Day

Registration Desk

The registration desk in the lobby of the Jewish Museum Munich will be open from 10:00 AM till 6:30 PM

Optional Tours

Meeting and starting point for all tours: Jewish Museum Munich (St.-Jakobs-Platz 16, 80331 Munich) Participants may join one tour

Additional instructions will be posted on the IC MEMO web site before the Conference date.

Dachau Memorial Site

Start 11:00 AM

Dachau was the first concentration camp set up in the Third Reich. This camp served as a model for all later concentration camps and as a "school of violence" for the SS men. Between 1996 and 2003 a new exhibition on the history of the Dachau concentration camp was created, following the leitmotif of the "Path of the Prisoners".

Munich Documentation Centre for the History of National Socialism

Start 1:00 PM

The Munich Documentation Centre for the History of National Socialism opened public on 1 May 2015. The new centre of learning and remembrance is built on the Brienner Strasse, site once occupied by the NSDAP headquarters. The permanent exhibition in German and English, extending over several floors, forms the centrepiece of the new Documentation Centre. There is also a series of special exhibitions. In addition, one entire floor houses a Learning Centre where visitors can study Nazi history in greater depth.

Munich Olympic Park

Start 1:30 PM

On September 5, 1972 the Games of the Twentieth Olympiad, the "Happy Games" in Munich were interrupted by a terrorist attack against the Israeli Olympic Team. The Munich Massacre ended a day later leaving 11 Israeli sportsmen and a German police officer murdered. The State of Bavaria, the City of Munich and other partners including the International Olympic Committee are planning a new memorial commemorating the victims of 1972. The tour will pass by the existing monuments of 1973 and 1998 and include a presentation of the planned place of remembrance.

Conference Opening at the Jewish Museum Munich

6:30 PM

Welcome speeches

- Bernhard Purin, Director, Jewish Museum Munich
- Werner Karg, Bavarian State Ministry for Culture, Education and Science
- Dr Hans-Georg Kueppers, Head of Department of Culture of the City of Munich
- Dr. Michael Henker, President, ICOM Germany
- Karen S. Franklin, Chair IC MEMO

7:00 PM

Keynote lecture by Philip Norman Peterson, architect (Team Holzer/Kobler-Architekturen, Zurich, Berlin)

8:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Reception

Monday, November 9

The Panel Day at the Jewish Museum Munich

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Panel 1:

The Social Relevance of Memorial Museums

Moderator: Julie Higashi, Ritsumeikan University, Kyoto, Japan

Activating social action in memory museums

Carla Prat Perxachs, Museo Memoria y Tolerancia, Ciudad de Mexico

The Museum of Maidan: ideals and reality of civil society in Ukraine Kateryna Chuyeva (ICOM Young Professionals Grantee), Kiev, Ukraine

World War II in Museums, Memory and Representation

Erik Somers, NIOD Institute for War, Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Amsterdam, Netherlands

10:30 AM - 11:00 AM

Coffee break

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Panel 2:

Public Commemoration, Memorial Museums and their Influence on Urban Development

Moderator: Iratxe Momoitio Astorkia, Director of the Peace Museum Gernika, Spain

Remembering the Siege of Sarajevo in the City's Museums
Emily Gunzburger Makas, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, USA

Processes of Commemoration in the City of Wolgograd during the Soviet and the Post-Soviet Period Alexander Tsygankow, University of Wolgograd, Russia

The Didactic Potential of Historic Locations of National Socialist History in Nuremberg Florian Dierl, Documentation Centre Nazi Party Rally Grounds and the Memorium Nuremberg Trials, Nuremberg, Germany

12:30 PM - 2:00 PM

Lunch break

2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Panel 3:

Memorials at Historical Sites of Public Violence and Crimes: Recent Experiences

Moderator: Kirsten John-Stucke, Director of the District Museum Wewelsburg, Germany

The Memorial des Milles in Aix-en-Provence – An Experiment of Reflection Max Polonovski, French Ministry of Culture, Paris, France

Women Prison of Les Corts future Memorial Núria Ricart, University of Barcelona, Spain

Turning Sites of Public Crimes into Memorials. Russian examples Olga Cherkaeva, Russian State University for the Humanities, Moscow

3:30 PM - 4:00 PM

Coffee break

4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

Panel 4:

Current Conditions and Developments of Public Commemoration of Crimes of States

Moderator: Jordi Guixe Coromines, Director of the European Observatory on Memories, University of Barcelona, Spain

New Exhibitions dedicated to the 100th Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide Varsik Sargsyan, Museum of Matenadaran, Yerewan, Armenia

The development of the Memorial and Information Centre at "The Prison of Silence", former Communist political prison in Râmnicu Sărat, Romania

Irina Hasnas Hubbard, The Institute of the Investigation of Communist Crimes and the Memory of the Romanian Exile (IICCMRE), Bucharest, Romania

"The State Israel vs. Adolf Eichmann" — Permanent Exhibition and Interactive Multimedia Center Aya Ben-Naftali, Massuah Institute for Holocaust Studies, Kibbutz Tel Itzhak, Israel

7:00 PM

Occasion to join and observe the commemoration of the "Kristallnacht" (nationwide anti-Jewish pogrom 1938) in Munich

Tuesday, November 10

The Day at the Flossenbuerg Memorial Site

8:00 AM

Meeting point: Jewish Museum Munich Bus transfer from Munich to Flossenbuerg

10:30 AM

Welcome by Joerg Skriebeleit director of the Flossenbuerg Memorial Site Guided tour of the Site

1:00 PM

Lunch break

2:00 PM - 5:30 PM

Workshop on Flossenbuerg themes (tbc)

Coffee break

Panel 5:

New approaches to the commemoration of the Holocaust

Moderator: Daniel Dratwa, Former Curator of the Jewish Museum of Belgium

Far Removed. Austria in Auschwitz. The new Austrian national exhibition at the Museum Auschwitz-Birkenau

Hannes Sulzenbacher, Vienna, Austria

Vilnius Ghetto Library and Paneriai Memorial: Urgent need for a new concept of the Holocaust Museum in Lithuania

Neringa Latvytė-Gustaitienė, Vilna Gaon Jewish State Museum, Vilnius, Lithuania

5:30 PM

IC MEMO Membership Meeting

6:30 PM

Buffet Dinner (included in the Registration fee)

8:30 PM

Departure to hotel in Weiden (hotel included in the Registration fee)

Wednesday, November 11

The Final Day

9:00 AM

Bus transfer from Weiden to Regensburg

10:15 AM

Visit to the Document Neupfarrplatz, Synagogue Excavation and the Memorial by Dani Karavan 12:00 (noon)

Independent sightseeing tour in Regensburg Old City

1:00 PM

Bus Transfer to Munich Airport (arrival 3:00 PM) and City of Munich Centre (Arrival 3:45 PM)

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