



EHRI SUMMER SCHOOL

15 July- 2 August 2013

Languages :	English and French
Venue	Mémorial de la Shoah
Coordinator	Laura Fontana, EHRI Coordinator for the Mémorial de la Shoah
Dates :	from 15 July to 2 August 2013

PRESENTATION

Open to scholars from a variety of disciplines (historians, sociologists, psychologists, anthropologists and other academics who are interested in the Holocaust) as well as to archivists, the first EHRI Summer School is organized by the Mémorial de la Shoah. In summer 2013 a second EHRI Summer School, organized by the Institut für die Zeitgeschichte, will be held in Munich.

These seminars (another two Summer Schools will be organized by the NIOD, Institute for War and by Yad Vashem, and held in 2014 in Amsterdam and Jerusalem respectively) are part of a wider project named ***EHRI European Holocaust Research Infrastructure*** which was launched in November 2010 in Brussels thanks to the financial contribution of the European Union. EHRI's main objective is to support the Holocaust research community by opening up a portal that will give online access to scattered sources relating to the Holocaust, and by encouraging collaborative research through the development of new tools. In order to achieve this by 2014, twenty institutions – including research institutes, libraries, archives, museums and memorial sites - from thirteen countries will join their forces and work together within a special consortium. The Mémorial de la Shoah is a member of this consortium.

The Summer School is a graduate-level seminar aimed at deepening the knowledge and comprehension of the extermination process of European Jews during World War II. It will also provide a comprehensive overview on the most relevant methodologies and sources as well as an update on the current state of research in the field of Holocaust history. The seminar will tackle the history of the Shoah from a European perspective. It will be strictly hinged on sources, the latest historiographic interpretations and the most recent research work in the field. Traditional lectures will alternate with more intensive document-based work sessions.

During the seminar the 12 participants will be offered the visit of major places related to Holocaust in France and to the history of the French Jewish community such: the ancient camp of Drancy, the Mémorial de la Shoah, the Jewish Museum MAJH (Musée d'art et d'histoire juif), the House of Yiddish Culture (La Maison de la culture Yiddish and the Medem library, the largest Yiddish language library in Europe.

Participants will also be offered the opportunity to do their own research work at the Mémorial's library and archives and also to visit the premises of the National Archives (Archives Nationales) and of the Archives of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Archives des Affaires étrangères). Lectures and presentations, mostly focusing on the Holocaust in Western Europe, will be delivered by leading specialized European historians and researchers from different institutions and associations.

During the Summer School the 12 participants will also have the unique opportunity to present and discuss the results of their own research work.

Seminar Program

Sunday, 14 July

Arrival to Paris, accommodation at the Maison Heinrich Heine, Cité internationale universitaire, 27 Boulevard Jourdan, 75014 Paris (RER B : Cité Universitaire, Métro : Porte d'Orléans)

Monday, 15 July

9 am - 10 am Registration and welcome coffee

10 am - 10.30 am Welcome Address by **Jacques Fredj**,
Director of the Mémorial de la Shoah, Paris
Introduction by **Laura Fontana**, EHRI Scientific Coordinator,
Mémorial de la Shoah, Paris

10.30 am -12 am ***Peurs archaïques, biopouvoir et regard zoologique sur l'humanité : les chemins tortueux d'Auschwitz (Ancient fears, biopower and a zoological view of mankind: the twisted paths of Auschwitz)*** **Georges Bensoussan**,
historian, editor in chief of *Revue d'Histoire de la Shoah* Mémorial de la Shoah, Paris

1.30 pm – 3 pm **Guided tour of the Mémorial de la Shoah** (the Wall of Names, the permanent exhibition, tour of the library, the photothèque, the archives), **Claude Singer**, historian, Head of the Pedagogical Department, Mémorial de la Shoah, Paris

3 pm - 5.30 pm **Confiscation of Jewish Property in Europe, 1933–1945. New Sources and Perspectives**

The Spoliation of Jews a State Policy (1940-1944) **Tal Bruttman**, historian, City of Grenoble, France,

The Economic Aspects of the Anti-Jewish Laws in Italy (1938-1945), **Ilaria Pavan**, historian, Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa, Italy

Guided tour of the exhibition *The Spoliation of Jews: State Policy (1940-1944)* by **Tal Bruttman**

Tuesday, 16 July

General Introduction – The Nazi Worldview (*Weltanschauung*)

9.30 am – 11 am *Les fondements de l'idéologie nazie (The Roots of Nazism)*, **Georges Bensoussan**, historian, editor in chief of *Revue d'Histoire de la Shoah* Mémorial de la Shoah, Paris

11.30 am -1 pm *La langue nazie (Nazi Language Policy)*, **Laura Fontana**, EHRI Scientific Coordinator and Head of the Italian Department of the Mémorial de la Shoah, Paris

3 pm - 6.30 pm ***Presenting New Research on the Holocaust***

Presentations and Discussion of the research projects of the twelve participants

Wednesday, 17 July

New approaches to Nazi ideology

- 9.30 am – 11 am ***Le nazisme (I) Une vision de l'histoire (Nazism (I) A Vision of History)***
Johann Chapoutot, University of Grenoble, France
- 11.30 am - 1 pm ***Racines et spécificités de l'antisémitisme nazi: le débat historiographique***
Roots and Specificities of Nazi anti-Semitism: the Historiographical Debate
Joël Kotek, Free University of Bruxelles, Belgium
- 2.30 pm – 4 pm ***Le nazisme (II) Y-a-t-il une 'culture' nazie ?,***
Nazism (II) Is there a nazi «Culture » ?
Johann Chapoutot, University of Grenoble, France
- 4.30 pm -6 pm ***"The 'Banality of Evil' reconsidered: Structural Conditions and Motivational Bases of Perpetrator Behavior and Complicity during the Holocaust".*** **Wolfgang Seibel**, University of Konstanz, Germany

Thursday, 18 July

Persecution and Deportation in Western Europe – General Introduction and Comparative Approach

- 9 am - 12 am ***The Holocaust in Western Europe***, **Wolfgang Seibel**, University of Konstanz, Germany
- 1.45 pm - 3.15 pm ***France in War-Time period, an example of the Holocaust in Western Europe: Occupation, Collaboration, Persecutions"***, –**Tal Bruttman**, historian, City of Grenoble, France
- 3.30 pm – 5 pm ***The Emergence of Jewish Ghettos during the Holocaust – New Perspectives"***
Dan Michman, Head of the International Institute of Holocaust Research and the Incumbent of the John Najmann Chair of Holocaust Studies at Yad Vashem; and Professor of Modern Jewish History and Chair, the Arnold and Leona Finkler Institute of Holocaust Research at Bar-Ilan University, Israel.

Friday, 19 July

Persecution and Deportation in Western Europe

9.30 am – 11 am

Persecution and Deportation of the Jews in the Netherlands, France and Belgium – Methodology and Structure of the Comparative Research,
Pim Griffioen, Ron Zeller, University of Konstanz, Germany

1.45 pm - 4.45 pm

The Role of the Jewish Councils in Western Europe, **Dan Michman**,
Head of the International Institute of Holocaust Research and the Incumbent
of the John Najmann Chair of Holocaust Studies at Yad Vashem; and Professor
of Modern Jewish History and Chair, the Arnold and Leona Finkler Institute of
Holocaust Research at Bar-Ilan University, Israel

Saturday, 20 July

Free

Sunday, 21 July

Jewish Civilisation in Historical Perspective

9.30 am -12.30 am

A visit of the Jewish Art and History Museum (MAHJ), and a brief tour of the
Jewish past of the Marais quarter, by **Philippe Boukara**, historian, teacher
training coordinator, Mémorial de la Shoah, Paris

3 pm – 6 pm

Auschwitz between History and Representations

Lecture by **Annette Wieviorka**, historian, research director at the CNRS
(Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique), Paris, France
Discussion with **Tal Bruttman**, historian, City of Grenoble, France,

Monday, 22 July

Persecution and Deportation in Western Europe: Focus on the Sources and on the Netherlands, Italy and Luxembourg

- 9.30 am - 12.30 am *How to Find and Interpret Documents on the Holocaust in Western Europe - The Document Collection on "The Persecution and Extermination of the European Jews by Nazi Germany 1933-1945"*, Katja Happe, University of Freiburg, Germany
- 2.30 pm – 4 pm **Persecution and Deportation of the Jews from Italy 1943-45**
Lutz Klinkhammer, historian, German Historical Institute of Rome, Italy
- 4.30 pm – 6 pm *Persecution and Deportation of the Jews from Luxembourg*, Paul Dostert, Centre de Documentation et de Recherche sur la Résistance, Luxembourg

Tuesday, 23 July

Nazi camps in Western Europe: the example of Drancy in France

- 9 am - 9.45 am Departure by bus from the Mémorial de la Shoah to Drancy
- 9.45 am - 11.15 am **Visit of the Drancy internment camp** and guided tour of the **new museum**, the **Mémorial de la Shoah of Drancy, Paris**
- 11.30 am - 1 pm **Drancy, from Internment Camp to Antechamber of Death**
Denis Peschanski, historian, Director of research at the CNRS (Centre national de la recherche scientifique), Paris, France
- 3 pm - 4.30 pm *The Labor Camps in the Nazi Concentration System*
Brunello Mantelli, historian, University of Turin, Italy
- 5 pm - 6.30 pm *The French Internment Camps 1938-1946*,
Denis Peschanski, historian, Director of research at the CNRS (Centre national de la recherche scientifique), Paris, France

Wednesday, 24 July

The Holocaust in Eastern Europe

- 9.30 am - 11 am *L'Union Soviétique et le génocide des Juifs,*
(*The Soviet Union and the genocide of the Jews*) **Antonella Salomoni**,
historian, University of Calabria and University of Bologna, Italy
- 2.30 pm - 5.30 pm *The Holocaust in Ukraine*, **Karel Berkhoff**, NIOD Institut for War, Holocaust
and Genocide, Netherlands

Thursday, 25 July

Visiting the National Archives in Paris

- 9 am Departure by bus from the Mémorial de la Shoah to the National Archives
- 10 am – 12 am Visit and guided tour of the *Archives Nationales*.
- 3 pm - 6 pm *New Interpretations of the Holocaust*
The Role of the Perpetrators in the genocide of the Jews
Dieter Pohl, historian, University of Klagenfurt, Germany

Friday, 26 July

Focus on new media and Holocaust research

- 9.30 am – 11 am *Digital Humanities and Holocaust research*
Change of Perspective and the New Role of the Archivist
Peter Horsman, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands
- 11.30 am -1 pm *Overcoming the Fragmentation of Holocaust-related Sources.*
The Example of the Terezín/Theresienstadt Research Guide.
Michal Frankl, Jewish Museum Prague, Czech Republic

Transfert by public transport to the Maison de la Culture yiddish

Visit of the Maison de la culture yiddish

La Maison de la culture Yiddish-bibliothèque Medem is the largest yiddish language library in Europe. **Philippe Boukara**, historian, teacher training coordinator, Mémorial de la Shoah.

Saturday, 27 July

Free

Sunday, 28 July

Free time for own research in the archives of the Mémorial de la Shoah

Monday, 29 July

Focus on Eastern Europe: the Ghettos

9.30 am - 12.30 am *Life and Death in the Ghettos*, **Andrea Löw**, Institut für Zeitgeschichte
Munich, Germany

3 pm - 6 pm *Daily Life in Ghettos in Lithuania 1941-1944. Hunger, Forced Labour, Culture.*
Cristoph Dieckmann, Keele University, United Kingdom

Tuesday, 30 July

About Reactions to the Nazi's Persecution of the Jews

9.30 am - 12.30 am *Jewish Resistance, Jews in the Resistance - a European Overview*
Philippe Boukara, historian, teacher training coordinator, Mémorial de la
Shoah

2.30 pm - 4 pm *The Press in Nazi Germany and the "Jewish question".*
Wolf Kaiser, Deputy Director of the House of the Wannsee Conference and
Head of its Educational Department, Berlin, Germany

4.30 pm – 6 pm *The November Pogrom 1938. Ordinary Germans and the Persecution
of the Jews*, **Alan E. Steinweis**, historian, University of Vermont, Usa

Wednesday, 31 July

Visiting the Archives of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Paris

- 9 am Departure by bus from the Mémorial de la Shoah
- 10 am - 12.30 am Visit and guided tour of the **Archives of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs**
- 2.30 pm Return by bus to the Mémorial de la Shoah
Free time for own research in the archives of the Mémorial de la Shoah

Thursday, 1 August

Doing Research at the Mémorial

Free time for own research in the archives of the Mémorial de la Shoah
(Morning and Afternoon)

- 12.30 am - 1.30 pm Lunch at the Mémorial

Friday, 2 August

- 9.30 am - 11.30 am Sum-up and Feedback , Closing Remarks

- 11.30 am - 12.30 am Light buffet at the Mémorial

Then departure from Paris