





EDJC 2023: Memory project conference

When Memory meets Dialogue – Role of remembrance sites and contemporary challenges

This conference reflects the international and multifaceted character of the European Days of Jewish Culture 2023: Memory project, with a central focus on promoting dialogue, recognition and the exchange of Jewish heritage through various activities. It weaves a comprehensive narrative that appeals to both global and local audiences.

The event is designed to provide a meaningful platform for idea exchange, fostering cross-cultural understanding, and promoting international discourse on historical memory and contemporary challenges, especially those related to the Holocaust and World War II. By bringing together esteem experts and representatives of cultural institutions from different European countries, this conference seeks to facilitate meaningful discussions and knowledge sharing. The inclusion of diverse perspectives from various cultural backgrounds ensures a comprehensive and enriching exploration of the conference themes.

Conference programme

Schindler's Factory, Lipowa 4 street, 30-702 Krakow, Poland

11 December 2023

11:30-12:00

Refreshments, networking

12:00-12:15

Conference opening

Panel 1 - Sites of memory as spaces of dialogue

This panel highlights the universal tension between history and the modern utility of memorial sites, emphasizing how such sites can shape historical sensitivity through education. It will also explore the role of memorial sites in conveying historical narratives and engaging the younger generation, ensuring that history remains relevant and accessible.

12:15-12:45

Presentation 1

12:45-13:15

Presentation 2

13:15-13:45

Presentation 3









14:00-15:00

Lunch Break

Panel 2 - How to remember?

Focusing on the international dimension, this panel will examine the connection between contemporary history and heritage, with particular attention to regions affected by recent conflicts, such as situations in Ukraine and Israel. It also delves into heritage rehabilitation in post-conflict settings, showcasing examples of education and outreach initiatives that help preserve and disseminate heritage.

15:00-16:30

Discussion: "Contemporary challenges and historical memory" (Moderator + representatives of cultural institutions)

16:30-17:30

Guided tour of Schindler's Factory

19:00

Dinner

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Panel 3 - Lessons from the past today

This panel addresses the contemporary challenges of dealing with alternative narratives and the rise of post-truth tendencies. It emphasizes the legacy of the Holocaust in the context of present-day memory, discussing how we can combat misinformation and uphold the historical truth.

10:00-10:30

Presentation 4

10:30-11:00

Presentation 5

11:00-12:00

Conference and project summary (AEPJ Team)

12:00-13:00

Light lunch

13:00-15:00

Educational activities for students

Thematic city tours (for all participants)

