Ethnic Minorities and Holocaust Memory A Global Perspective

Holocaust memory undoubtedly constitutes a central component of historical consciousness and political culture in unified Germany, Israel, and the United States. Yet can we make the same claim about other parts of the world? The study group »Global Holocaust? Memories of the Destruction of European Jews in Global Context« (Augsburg University, University of Vermont, University of Haifa, Jena Center) has been exploring this and related questions since 2011. Two past conferences have focused, for example, on the development of Holocaust memory in Israel, Eastern Europe, and Asia, as well as on its impact on international relations. The third and final event, a symposium at the Jena Center, will now explore how ethnic minorities and immigrants have engaged with the development of Holocaust memory in a variety of national and regional contexts in Western societies. We will ask, for example, how minority groups with their own experience of violence and/or persecution have responded to manifestations of Holocaust memory. Beyond exploring Western memorial cultures in a transnational context, we will investigate the implications of demographic change for Holocaust memory. How have immigrants engaged with the crucial role that Holocaust history plays in Western political culture, the media, and educational systems? We will thus seek to locate and discuss contradictions within, and challenges to, a development that scholars have come to refer to as the »globalization« or »universalization« of Holocaust memory.

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Welcome Norbert Frei (Jena)

Greetings

Klaus Dicke (Rector, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena)

Opening Lecture

Jacob S. Eder (Jena) | Ethnic Minorities and Holocaust Memory: Perspectives, Dimensions, Questions



I Germany and Austria

Chair: Kristina Meyer (Jena)

Angela Kühner (Frankfurt am Main) | Immigrants and Immigration in German Holocaust Educational Discourse

Gilad Margalit (Haifa) | German Turks and the Holocaust

Bill Niven (Nottingham) | Expellee Reactions to Holocaust Memory

Oliver Rathkolb (Wien) | Holocaust Perceptions of Young Immigrants in Austria

Comment: Philipp Gassert (Augsburg)

II Western Europe

Chair: Annette Weinke (Jena)

Annemarike Stremmelaar (Amsterdam) | Turkish and Dutch Memorial Cultures in Contact

Tony Kushner (Southampton) | Situating Racism between the Post-Colonial and the Holocaust in Britain

Joëlle Allouche-Benayoun (Paris) | French Muslim Communities and Shoah Memory

Arnd Bauerkämper (Berlin) | Holocaust Memory and the Experiences of Migrants in Europe after 1945

Comment: Alan E. Steinweis (Burlington, VT)

III The Americas and South Africa

Chair: Susanna Schrafstetter (Burlington, VT)

Clarence Taylor (New York, NY) | African American Memories of the Holocaust

Donald Fixico (Phoenix, AZ) | The Jewish Holocaust and the Indian Experience in the U.S.

Shirli Gilbert (Southampton) | Holocaust Memory in Post-Apartheid South Africa

Daniel Stahl (Jena) | Jewish Discourses about the Crimes of the Argentinian Junta

Comment: Atina Grossmann (New York, NY)

Final Comments and Conference Closure

