



International Colloquium on Polish Jewish History as Reflected in Education in Poland and Israel

25–27 February 2017
POLIN Museum
Anielewicza 6, Warsaw

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PROGRAM

Saturday, 25 February 2017; 18:30-20:00

17:00 | Participant Registration

(Free access for conference participants to the permanent and temporary exhibitions)

18:30 | Greetings and Opening Remarks

Dariusz Stola, Director of the POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews

Arieh J. Kochavi, Jewish Galicia and Bukovina Project; Head of the Strochlitz Institute
for Holocaust Research, University of Haifa

Keynote Speech: Why We Should Teach about the Holocaust (in Poland and in Europe)
Zdzisław Mach, UNESCO Chair for Holocaust Education, Jagiellonian University, Kraków

20:00 | Dinner

9:00–10:30

Guided tour of the Jewish Ghetto in Warsaw (optional, registration required)

10:30–11:45 | Session 1a:

Jews in Poland, Poles in Israel, 1264–2016

Chair: Jolanta Żyndul, Jewish Historical Institute, Warsaw

- **Israel Bartal**, The Hebrew University, Jerusalem
Polani, Galitsianer, Litvak, Yeke, Ashkenazi? Changing Narratives in Israeli Collective Memory, 1882-2017
- **Eyal Naveh**, Tel Aviv University
Poland as a Topic in Israeli History Studies: Curriculum, Textbooks, Extracurricular Activities
- **Hanna Węgrzynek**, POLIN Museum
Coincidence or Intentional Policy? How the Holocaust Became Part of Polish Curricula

11:45–12:15 | Coffee Break



12:15–13:15 | Session 1b:

Jews in Poland, Poles in Israel, 1264–2016

Chair: Zdzisław Mach, UNESCO Chair for Holocaust Education, Jagiellonian University, Kraków

- **Benjamin Brown**, The Hebrew University, Jerusalem
Poland of Yesterday in the Eyes of the Hasidim of Today
- **Kamila Dąbrowska**, POLIN Museum
Narratives of Expulsion: Polish Jews in Israel After the Polish Anti-Semitic Campaign of 1968

13:15–14:15 | Lunch Break

14:15–15:30 | Session 2a:

Regional and Local History: A Comparative Discussion

Chair: Israel Bartal, The Hebrew University, Jerusalem

- **Anthony Polonsky**, Brandeis University
The History of Galician Jews in the General Polish Context
- **Moti Zalkin**, Ben Gurion University of the Negev
East European (Jewry)? What do they have in common?
- **Sam Kassow**, Trinity College
Regional Aspects of Polish Jewish History: The Case of Vilna and Galicia

15:30 – 16:30 | POLIN Educational Programs

- **Guided tour of the educational spaces of the museum by Piotr Kowalik**, Deputy Head of Education Department, POLIN Museum
or
- **Concert by the POLIN Choir**
The POLIN Choir is a community-based, experimental choir consisting of both professionals and amateurs.

16:30 – 16:45 | Coffee Break

16:45–18:00 | Session 2b:

Regional and Local History: A Comparative Discussion

Chair: Jolanta Ambrosewicz – Jacobs, Jagiellonian University, Krakow

- **Michał Bilewicz**, University of Warsaw
Teaching Polish Students About Jewish History and the Holocaust: Chances and Risks
- **Maya Pinchas Shabbat**, Jewish Galicia and Bukovina Project, University of Haifa
From Within and Without; Local vs. Regional – Criticism of the Polish Rabbinic Educational System: The Views of Rabbi Dr. Samuel Abraham Poznański and Rabbi Dr. Simon Bernfeld
- **Marta Kubiszyn**, Center for Jewish Studies, Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, Lublin
Memory – Place – Participation: Holocaust Education in Selected Projects of The State Museum in Majdanek in Lublin

9:00–10:00 | Session 3:

Embedded Poland: Signs, Views and Memory in Ultra-Orthodox Israeli Jewry

Chair: Piotr Kowalik, POLIN Museum

- Rabbi Yehuda Horowitz 'Ad Hena': The Institute for the Rabbinic Heritage of Galician and Bukovinian Jewry (RGB), Herzog Academic College
Relics of Polish Jewry in Israeli Life – Symbols and Customs
- Yisrael Malkiel Ad Hena': The Institute for the Rabbinic Heritage of Galician and Bukovinian Jewry (RGB), Herzog Academic College
In These (Polish) Regions: The Blurred Geographical Borders of Contemporary Israeli Halakhic Writing

10:00–10:30 | Coffee Break

10:30–11:30 | Session 4:

Memory of the Jewish Past in Poland and in Israel

Chair: Eyal Naveh, Tel Aviv University

- Jolanta Ambrosewicz-Jacobs, Jagiellonian University, Krakow
Memory Conflicts in Poland Related to Jewish Past and the Holocaust
- Idit Gil, The Open University of Israel
The Burning Shtetl in the Israeli Collective Memory

11:30–12:00 | Coffee Break

12:00–14:00 | Session 5:

Museums and Educational Initiatives and the Presentation of Jewish and Polish History

Round Table 1: Educational Initiatives:

Chair: Eyal Naveh, Tel Aviv University

- Shtetl Portal of POLIN Museum – Krzysztof Bielawski
- City Gate Theater NN in Lublin – Joanna Zętar
- Borderlands from Sejny – Weronika Czyżewska
- The Polish Institute in Tel Aviv – Tadeusz Woleński
- Ariel University – Nitza Davidovich
- Polish-Israeli programs of POLIN Museum – Nili Amit

Academic Committee:

Israel Bartal, The Hebrew University, Jerusalem; Jolanta Ambrosewicz-Jacobs, Jagiellonian University, Krakow; Havi Dreifuss, Tel Aviv University; Lucja Koch, POLIN Museum; Hanna Wegrzynek, POLIN Museum.

14:00–15:00 | Lunch Break

15:00–17:00 | Round Table 2:

Museum Representatives:

Chair: Antony Polonsky

- Beit Hatfusot – Orit Shaham Gover
- USHMM – Krista Hegburg
- Yad Vashem – Orit Margaliot
- Ghetto Fighters' House – Anat Bratman
- POLIN Museum – Łucja Koch / Sonia Ruszkowska
- Institute of Jewish Studies, Jagiellonian University – Edyta Gawron

17:00–17:30 | Coffee Break

17:30–18:00 | Closing Session

