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Academic Workshop

Life in the aftermath – Displaced Persons, Displaced Children and Child Survivors on the move.

New approaches in education and research

A joint event organized by Max Mannheimer Studienzentrum (MMSZ),

Dachau, International Tracing Service (ITS), Bad Arolsen, with consultance by
the Holocaust Studies Program of the Western Galilee College, Akko, Israel

30 May - 1 June 2016 in Dachau (near Munich), Germany

Monday First workshop day May, 30th

9.00 - 12.00 a.m. Facultative offer before the start of the conference (if required/requested, in English):

- Guided tours of the memorial site in Dachau
- Workshop in the archives of the Dachau Memorial
- Presentation of the International Tracing Service
- Presentation of the Max Mannheimer Studienzentrum

1.30 - 2.00 p.m. Welcome and introduction

2.00 - 5.30 p.m. **Keynote Lectures:**

Jewish Survivors in Occupied Germany: Entangled Stories and Lost Memories Atina Grossmann, Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art, New York, USA

Questions and discussion

Coffee break (30 min.)

Goals and Challenges of the Research into Holocaust Survivor and DP children Boaz Cohen, Western Galilee College, Akko, Israel

The Files and Collections of the Child Search Branch of the International Tracing Service and its Implications for today

Verena Buser, Alice Salomon University of Applied Sciences Berlin and Center for Jewish Studies Berlin-Brandenburg, Germany

Questions and discussion

Short break (15 min.)

5.30 – 6.00 p.m. An exhibition about DPs: aims, challenges - and early testimonies

Short introduction to the DP exhibition (in the hall) Susanne Urban, SchUM-Städte e.V., Germany Subsequently "Opening of the exhibition"

6.00 - 7.00 p.m. Dinner

7.00 – 7.30 p.m. Seeing the exhibition (individually)

7.30 p.m. **Panel discussion** with

Susanne Urban (Curator of the DP exhibition)

Steffen Jost (Educational assistant MMSZ)

Esther Alexander-Ihme, witness (Second generation DPs)

Tuesday Second workshop day May, 31st

9.00 - 1.00 p.m. Workshop phase focusing on "Educational offers regarding the subject of DPs"

Workshop I	Workshop II	Workshop III	Excursion I	Excursion II
The Story of the Displaced Persons as a topic for educational programmes Nicola Schlichting, Bergen-Belsen Memorial	Expanding Discussions of the Holocaust Jenny Carson, Holocaust Educational Trust, UK	Children as Displaced Persons. Historical education based on documents of the ITS Elisabeth Schwabauer/ Akim Jah, International Tracing Service	Foehrenwald. One of the largest and long-lasting DP-camps in Germany Sybille Krafft, Icking; Bürger fürs Badehaus Waldram-Foehrenwald e.V.	Kloster Indersdorf. The first international DP- Children's Centre in the American zone of Germany Anna Andlauer, Markt Indersdorf
1.00 - 2.00 p.m.	Lunch break			
2.00 - 3.30 p.m.	Reports and Results from the workshops Including coffee break			
3.30 - 5.30 p.m.	Roundtables of witnesses regarding their experiences as DPs			
	Including coffee break			
5.30 - 6.30 p.m.	Conclusion of the first part of the workshop and transition to the part focusing on research of young DPs: Child survivors of the Holocaust and of Forced Labor and Concentration Camps			
6.30 - 7.00 p.m.	Phenomenon of DP baby boom: Children who were born in DP camps in the documents of Yad Vashem archives Serafima Velkovich, Yad Vashem, Israel			
7.00 p.m.	Dinner			
8.00 p.m.	Public Lecture: Polish and Soviet child forced labourers in Nazi Germany and German occupied Eastern Europe Dieter Steinert, University of Wolverhampton, UK			
	Questions and discussion			

Wednesday Third workshop day

June, 1st

9.00 - 12.00 a.m. Young DPs: Child Survivors of Forced Labor and Concentration Camps

<u>Panel I: Social work and care concepts for minor DPs</u>

International Families? Concepts of Community Living in the IRO Children's Village Bad Aibling, 1948-1951

Christian Höschler, LMU München, Germany

"lack of respect" – Care-givers approaches to surviving children in the DP Children's Centers Ina Schulz, FU Berlin

"Shattered by mental and physical Strain": The Treatment and Assimilation of "Defective" Child Survivors

Maggie Fraser Kirsh, William & Mary Virginia, USA

12.00 - 1.00 p.m. Lunch break

<u>Panel II: The situation of forced laborers after liberation</u>

Soviet Displaced Persons and the Politics of Family Reunification

Kelsey Norris, University of Pennsylvania, USA

Undetermined nationality: Displaced children of Ukrainian origin under the IRO care.

Olga Gnydiuk, European University Florence, Italy

"The long way home": Displaced children from Poland in postwar Austria

Kamila Uzarczyk, University of Wroclaw, Poland

1.00 - 3.00 p.m. **Continuation of the panels**

<u>Panel III: Jewish Life in the Aftermath of the war in Poland</u>

"They did not want any more Jews there".
The fate of Jewish orphans in Podhale between
1945 and 1946

Karolina Panz, The University of Warsaw, Poland

"The questionnaire for children" of the Central Jewish Historical Commission in Poland (CŻKH): a methodological work in line with Polish Jewish prewar practices on childhood

Judith Lindenberg, Écoles des Hautes Études Paris, France

3.30 – 4.00 p.m. Conclusion of the workshop

4.00 p.m. Departure

Panel IV: Post-Shoah identity

"Interdisciplinary Analysis of the Rehabilitation Paths of Hungarian Jewish Displaced Children within a Digital Humanities Framework using the ITS Digital Archive"

Ildiko Barna, University of Budapest, Hungary

"Emotional Challenges and Identity Formation as they appear in Children's Testimonies from the Bergen-Belsen DP Camp, 1946"

Noam Rachmilevitch, Ghetto Fighters' House, Israel