



International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance

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IHRA Publication: "Killing Sites. Research and Remembrance"

The first relatively comprehensive and up-to-date anthology on killing sites during the Holocaust

More than 2,000,000 Jews were killed by shooting during the Holocaust in several thousand mass killing sites throughout Europe and yet these killing sites remain relatively unknown. The new publication issued by the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) aims to raise awareness of this centrally important aspect of the Holocaust by bringing together organizations and individuals dealing with the subject.

This publication, the first relatively comprehensive and up-to-date anthology, reflects both research and fieldwork on killing sites. The publication was coordinated by the Multi-Year Work Plan Steering Committee on Killing Sites and follows a very successful academic conference on killing sites held in Krakow, Poland on 22-23 January 2014.



2014 IHRA Chair Sir Andrew Burns, UK Envoy for Post-Holocaust Issues said “In many cases, victims of the Holocaust died not in camps and gas chambers but in the towns and cities where they lived. Entire communities were annihilated within view of their neighbours. This publication puts a spotlight on these killing sites, many of which remain unmarked to this day. In this publication, IHRA has brought together an impressive range of organisations, scholars and academics to examine complex national and religious legal issues, the use of forensic archaeology, and regional efforts to integrate killing sites into educational curricula to name but a few aspects.”

The full version can be downloaded free of charge on the IHRA website.

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<https://www.holocaustremembrance.com/focus/killing-sites>

The International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) is an intergovernmental body whose purpose is to place political and social leaders' support behind the need for Holocaust education, remembrance and research both nationally and internationally.

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