

International Conference #RememberanceResponsibilityFuture

November 9th, 2017, Vilnius Novotel Vilnius Centre, Gedimino pr. 16

PROGRAMM

9.00 - 9.30Participants registration

9.30 - 10.45 Opening session.

Moderator: Renaldas Vaisbrodas, Executive Director, Lithuanian (Litvak)

Jewish Community

Welcome words:

Faina Kukliansky, Chairwoman of Lithuanian (Litvak) Jewish Community

Ambassador Anne Hall, U.S. Embassy Efrat Hochstetler, Israel Embassy

Ambassador Angelika Viets, German Embassy

10.45 - 11.30Keynote speech

A warning from history: the origins and evolution of

anti-Semitism in Lithuania

Saulius Sužiedelis, Professor Emeritus of History, Millersville

University of Pennsylvania

11.30-11.45 Coffee break

11.45-13.00 First session.

Fundamental questions about historical memory in Eastern Europe

Moderator – Arnoldas Pranckevicius, head of EU Commission's

mission in Vilnius

Legacy of WW2 In Lithuania today: Bridging the Archipelago of

Memory

Violeta Davoliūtė, Vilnius University













Anti-Semitism in Europe: from blood legends to World Zionists Conspiracy

Vygantas Vareikis, Klaipeda University

From Philosemitism to Anti-Semitism: Jonas Sliupas, Refugees, and the Holocaust

Charles Perrin, Ph.D., Visiting Fulbright Scholar, Vytautas Magnus University

Lithuanian Antisemitism in 1930s

Linas Venclauskas, Vytautas Magnus University, Sugihara Diplomats for Life foundation

13.00-13.45 Lunch

13.45-15.00 **Second session.**

Tackling issue of anti-Semitic, roma-fobic and xenophobic manifestations

Moderator: Dovilė Masalskienė, Women issues Information Center

European Commission against Racism and Intolerance actions against antisemitism is a fight for equality, non-discrimination, and social inclusion

Sarunas Liekis, the Dean of the Political Science and Diplomacy Faculty at VDU

Analysis of the results of the Roma and Jewish community group discussions (focus groups)

Rūta Reches, Jewish Community of Lithuania Romofobia. Analysis of existing sources

Svetlana Novopolskaja, Roma Community Center

15.00-15.15 Coffee break

15.15-17.00 Third session.

Panel discussion with representatives from communities Moderator - Rūta Kupetytė, journalist, Lithuanian National radio

Opening speech

Jewish life and anti-Semitism manifestations in Finland

Rony Smolar, writer, Board member of Jewish Community in Finland **Panel discussion participants:**

Vida Montvydaitė, Director, Department of Ethnic Minorities Ruth Reches, researcher, Jewish Community of Lithuania Svetlana Novopolskaja, Director, Roma Community Center Istvanas Kvik, member of Roma Community Center

17.00-18.00 Informal discussion























