

International
conference

**JEWS OF EAST-CENTRAL
EUROPE AFTER
THE CATASTROPHE:**

The Multiplicity of Experiences,
1945–1956

MARCH 27 – 28, 2023, LVIV

Organizer: Ukrainian Association for Jewish Studies

Venue: Center for Urban History of East Central Europe,
6 Bohomoltsia Street

MARCH 27

11:00 Registration & welcome coffee

12:00 **OPENING WORDS**

Vitaly Chernoiivanenko (*Ukrainian Association for Jewish Studies, Vernadsky National Library of Ukraine*)

Elisabeth Hollender (*European Association for Jewish Studies*)

Maryana Mazurak (*Center for Urban History of East Central Europe*)

12:30–13:30 **KEYNOTE LECTURE I**

Tamás Stark (*Institute of History, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary*)
Holocaust Memorialization at the Crossroads

13:30 Lunch

15:00–17:00 **PANEL I**

Chair: **Frank Grüner**

Natalia Aleksiu (*University of Florida, USA*)

Sex, Gratitude, and White Lies: Jewish and Non-Jewish Relationships in the Aftermath of the Holocaust

Carol Mann (*Université Paris 8, France*)

Idealism Betrayed: Communist Jewish Women Facing Post-War Antisemitism in the Eastern Bloc

Marta Havryshko (*Basel University, Switzerland*)

Rape and Justice: Female Holocaust Survivors in War Crimes Trials in Soviet Ukraine

17:00 Coffee break

17:30–19:30 **PANEL 2**

Chair: **Carol Mann**

Brian Horowitz (*Tulane University, USA*)

Saul Borovoi's Return to Odessa from Central-Asian Evacuation: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly

Jan Miklas-Frankowski (*University of Gdańsk, Poland*)

The Life of Polish Jews after the Catastrophe in Mordechai Tsanin's "Of Stones and Ruins"

Eliyana Adler (*Pennsylvania State University, USA*)

"I have come back to the place of suffering": Narratives of Return in Post-War Polish Jewish Memorial Books

19:30 Dinner

MARCH 28

10:00 KEYNOTE LECTURE II

Frank Grüner (*University of Bielefeld, Germany*)

Negotiating ‘Soviet Jewishness’ after the Holocaust: Remembrance, Reconstruction, and De-/Normalization in Times of Hope and Uncertainty

11:00 Coffee break

11:30–13:30 PANEL 3

Chair: **Tamás Stark**

Attila Novák (*National University for Public Service, Hungary*)

Smuggled to Freedom? Orthodox Jewish Rescue Networks in Communist Hungary (1949–1956)

Heléna Huhák (*Research Centre for the Humanities, Excellent Institute of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary*)

Fantasy on the Future: Representation of Post-War Hungary in the Diary of Margit Holländer

András Szécsényi (*Historical Archives of the Hungarian State Security, Hungary*)

Lost in Europe. Experiences of Hungarian Jewish Survivors of Bergen-Belsen after the Liberation (1945–1947)

13:30 Lunch

14:30–16:30 PANEL 4

Chair: **Vitaly Chernovianenko**

Serhiy Hirik (*State Research Institution “Encyclopedia Press”, National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, Ukraine*)

Ukrainian Architects in the Context of the Post-War Antisemitic Campaign

Mikhail Mitsel (*American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, USA*)

The Activity of ‘the Joint’ in Mukachevo in 1944–1945 and the Soviet Attitude Toward It in 1953

Gabriel Finder (*University of Virginia, USA*)

Honor Court: Jews in Poland Take Stock after the Holocaust

16:30 Coffee break

17:00–19:00 YOUNG RESEARCHERS’ SEMINAR

Chair: **Serhiy Hirik**

Alicja Podbielska (*Emory University, USA*)

“She rescued me; now it’s my duty to save her”: Post-Liberation Relationships Between Jewish Survivors and Their Polish Helpers

Tetiana Shyshkina (*Justus-Liebig-Universität Gießen, Germany*)

Judaica in the Newspapers “Litaratura i Mastatstvo” (BSSR), “Literatura i Mystetstvo”, “Literaturna Hazeta”, and “Radianske Mystetstvo” (UkrSSR)

Uliana Kyrchiv (*Ukrainian Catholic University, Ukraine*)

Galician Jews Between Warsaw and Paris: Dynamics of Piotr Rawicz's Relations with the PRL

Krystian Propola (*University of Rzeszów, Poland*)

Cultivating the Memory of the Fate of Soviet Jews During World War II in the First Post-War Years in Light of Contemporary Russian-Language Jewish Media

19:00–19:30

CLOSING REMARKS

Chairs:

Vitaly Chernoiivanenko, Serhiy Hirik

All participants are welcome to speak

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