



**INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF MEMORIAL MUSEUMS  
IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE VICTIMS OF PUBLIC CRIMES**

**IC MEMO 2015 CONFERENCE**

**Form-Architecture-Memory**

**Munich and Flossenbuerg, Germany**

**Sunday, November 8, 2015 – Wednesday November 11, 2015**

**Host Institutions:  
Jewish Museum Munich  
Flossenbuerg Memorial Site**

Dear colleagues and friends,

The International Committee of Memorial Museums in Remembrance of the Victims of Public Crimes (IC MEMO) invites you to participate in the 2015 Conference “Form-Architecture-Memory” to take place in Munich and Flossenbuerg, Germany, November 8-11, 2015. International speakers from countries including Mexico, Russia, Ukraine, Japan, Israel, the Netherlands, Belgium, France, Austria, Germany, Spain, the United States, Armenia, Romania and Lithuania will be sharing their expertise on topics such as “Activating Social Action in Memorial Museums” and “New Exhibitions dedicated to the 100th Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide”. The keynote speaker is Professor Barbara Holzer of Zurich.

The theme of the Conference will be further explored in various scheduled visits, including the recently-opened Munich Documentation Centre for the History of National Socialism and the site of the future Munich Olympic Park, where a new memorial commemorating the victims of the 1972 Munich Massacre is being planned. Participants will also visit the new Education Center at the Flossenbuerg Memorial Site and join in the solemn commemoration of Kristallnacht, the Night of Broken Glass (November 9/10, 1938), at the site of the former Main Synagogue of Munich.

IC MEMO is one of 31 International Committees in ICOM, the International Council of Museums with over 35,000 members, professionals and academics who represent the global museum community. Join us at IC MEMO, share your expertise and network with colleagues who excel in their fields the world over.

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**For the hosts:**

**Bernhard Purin**

(Director Jewish Museum Munich)

**Joerg Skriebeleit**

(Director Flossenbuerg Concentration Camp Memorial)

## Timetable

Sunday, November 8

### The Opening Day

#### **Registration Desk**

The registration desk in the lobby of the Jewish Museum Munich will be open from 10:00 AM till 6:30 PM.

#### **Optional Tours**

Meeting and starting point for all tours: Jewish Museum Munich (St.-Jakobs-Platz 16, 80331 Munich)  
Participants may join one tour  
Additional instructions will be posted on the IC MEMO web site before the Conference date.

#### **Dachau Memorial Site**

Start 11:00 AM

Dachau was the first concentration camp set up in the Third Reich. This camp served as a model for all later concentration camps and as a "school of violence" for the SS men. Between 1996 and 2003 a new exhibition on the history of the Dachau concentration camp was created, following the leitmotif of the "Path of the Prisoners".

#### **Munich Documentation Centre for the History of National Socialism**

Start 1:00 PM

The Munich Documentation Centre for the History of National Socialism opened public on 1 May 2015. The new centre of learning and remembrance is built on the Brienner Strasse, site once occupied by the NSDAP headquarters. The permanent exhibition in German and English, extending over several floors, forms the centrepiece of the new Documentation Centre. There is also a series of special exhibitions. In addition, one entire floor houses a Learning Centre where visitors can study Nazi history in greater depth.

#### **Munich Olympic Park**

Start 1:30 PM

On September 5, 1972 the Games of the Twentieth Olympiad, the "Happy Games" in Munich were interrupted by a terrorist attack against the Israeli Olympic Team. The Munich Massacre ended a day later leaving 11 Israeli sportsmen and a German police officer murdered. The State of Bavaria, the City of Munich and other partners including the International Olympic Committee are planning a new memorial commemorating the victims of 1972. The tour will pass by the existing monuments of 1973 and 1998 and include a presentation of the planned place of remembrance.

#### **Conference Opening at the Jewish Museum Munich**

6:30 PM

##### **Welcome speeches**

- Bernhard Purin, Director, Jewish Museum Munich
- Werner Karg, Bavarian State Ministry for Culture, Education and Science
- Dr Hans-Georg Kueppers, Head of Department of Culture of the City of Munich
- Dr. Michael Henker, President, ICOM Germany
- Karen S. Franklin, Chair IC MEMO

7:00 PM

**Keynote lecture by Philip Norman Peterson, architect (Team Holzer/Kobler-Architekturen, Zurich, Berlin)**

8:00 PM - 10:00 PM

##### **Reception**

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Monday, November 9

**The Panel Day at the Jewish Museum Munich**

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

Panel 1:

**The Social Relevance of Memorial Museums**

Moderator: Julie Higashi, Ritsumeikan University, Kyoto, Japan

*Activating social action in memory museums*

Carla Prat Perxachs, Museo Memoria y Tolerancia, Ciudad de Mexico

*The Chilean Historikerstreit, the Controversy over the Social Function of the Museum of Memory and Human Rights*

Sigal Meirovich, Universidad Alberto Hurtado, Santiago de Chile (TBC)

*World War II in Museums, Memory and Representation*

Erik Somers, NIOD Institute for War, Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Amsterdam, Netherlands

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10:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Coffee break

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11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Panel 2:

**Public Commemoration, Memorial Museums and their Influence on Urban Development**

Moderator: Iratxe Momoitio Astorkia, Director of the Peace Museum Gernika, Spain

*The Didactic Potential of Historic Locations of National Socialist History in Nuremberg*

Florian Dierl, Documentation Centre Nazi Party Rally Grounds and the Memorium Nuremberg Trials, Nuremberg, Germany

*Remembering the Siege of Sarajevo in the City's Museums*

Emily Gunzburger Makas, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, USA

*Processes of Commemoration in the City of Volgograd during the Soviet and the Post-Soviet Period*

Alexander Tsygankow, University of Volgograd, Russia

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12:30 PM – 2:00 PM

Lunch break

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2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Panel 3:

**Memorials at Historical Sites of Public Violence and Crimes: Recent Experiences**

Moderator: Kirsten John-Stucke, Director of the District Museum Wewelsburg, Germany

*The Memorial des Milles in Aix-en-Provence – An Experiment of Reflection*

Max Polonovski, French Ministry of Culture, Paris, France

*Women Prison of Les Corts future Memorial*

Núria Ricart, University of Barcelona, Spain

*Turning Sites of Public Crimes into Memorials. Russian examples*

Olga Cherkaeva, Russian State University for the Humanities, Moscow

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3:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Coffee break

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4:00 PM – 5:30 PM

Panel 4:

**Current Conditions and Developments of Public Commemoration of Crimes of States**

Moderator: Jordi Guixé Coromines, Director of the European Observatory on Memories, University of Barcelona, Spain

*New Exhibitions dedicated to the 100th Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide*

Varsik Sargsyan, Museum of Matenadaran, Yerevan, Armenia

*The development of the Memorial and Information Centre at "The Prison of Silence", former Communist political prison in Râmnicu Sărat, Romania*

Irina Hasnas Hubbard, The Institute of the Investigation of Communist Crimes and the Memory of the Romanian Exile (IICCMRE), Bucharest, Romania

*"The State Israel vs. Adolf Eichmann" — Permanent Exhibition and Interactive Multimedia Center Aya Ben-Naftali, Massuah Institute for Holocaust Studies, Kibbutz Tel Itzhak, Israel*

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7:00 PM

Occasion to join and observe the commemoration of the "Kristallnacht" (nationwide anti-Jewish pogrom 1938) in Munich

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**Tuesday, November 10**

**The Day at the Flossenbuerg Memorial Site**

8:00 AM

Meeting point: Jewish Museum Munich  
Bus transfer from Munich to Flossenbuerg

10:30 AM

Welcome by Joerg Skriebeleit director of the Flossenbuerg Memorial Site  
Guided tour of the Site

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1:00 PM

Lunch break

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2:00 PM - 5:30 PM

Workshop on Flossenbuerg themes (tbc)  
Coffee break

Panel 5:

**New approaches to the commemoration of the Holocaust**

Moderator: Daniel Dratwa, Former Curator of the Jewish Museum of Belgium

*Far Removed. Austria in Auschwitz. The new Austrian national exhibition at the Museum Auschwitz-Birkenau*

Hannes Sulzenbacher, Vienna, Austria

*Vilnius Ghetto Library and Paneriai Memorial: Urgent need for a new concept of the Holocaust Museum in Lithuania*

Neringa Latvytė-Gustaitienė, Vilna Gaon Jewish State Museum, Vilnius, Lithuania

*Special presentation:*

*Kateryna Chuyeva (ICOM Young Professionals Grantee):*

*The Bohdan and Varvara Khanenko National Museum of Arts in Kiev (Ukraine)*

5:30 PM  
IC MEMO Membership Meeting

6:30 PM  
Buffet Dinner (included in the Registration fee)  
8:30 PM  
Departure to hotel in Weiden (hotel included in the Registration fee)

Wednesday, November 11

**The Final Day**

9:00 AM  
Bus transfer from Weiden to Regensburg  
10:15 AM  
Visit to the Document Neupfarrplatz, Synagogue Excavation and the Memorial by Dani Karavan  
12:00 (noon)  
Independent sightseeing tour in Regensburg Old City

1:00 PM  
Bus Transfer to Munich Airport (arrival 3:00 PM) and City of Munich Centre (Arrival 3:45 PM)

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