







# The University of Barcelona welcomes a delegation from the Srebrenica Memorial Center to formalize a collaboration with the UB Solidarity Foundation

**Barcelona, October 10, 2024** – On **Tuesday, October 15**, the University of Barcelona will host a delegation from the **Srebrenica Memorial Center** (Bosnia and Herzegovina) to formalize a collaboration agreement with the **UB Solidarity Foundation**, within the framework of the **European Observatory on Memories (EUROM)** network. This partnership aims to promote joint activities focused on historical memory, coinciding with the commemoration of the **30th anniversary of the Srebrenica genocide** in 2025.

The delegation, composed of **Mirela Osmanović**, Liaison for International Cooperation, and **Hasan Hasanović**, Head of the Department of Oral History and a survivor of the Srebrenica massacre, will follow a three-day agenda in Catalonia. Their visit seeks to establish academic and cultural collaborations in support of ongoing remembrance efforts.

During their stay at the University of Barcelona, they will also meet with members of the **International Association of Genocide Scholars (IAGS)** from the Faculty of Law, and engage in discussions with secondary school teachers and faculty members from the Faculty of Education about the inclusion of genocide education in the classroom.









## Agenda at the University of Barcelona

Tuesday, October 15, 2024 Location: Historic Building, Gran Via de les Corts Catalanes, 585

- Morning (10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m.): Meeting with members of the International Association of Genocide Scholars (IAGS), Faculty of Law, University of Barcelona Meeting with representatives of the UB Solidarity Foundation, within the framework of the European Observatory on Memories (EUROM) <u>network</u>
- Afternoon (5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.): Meeting with secondary school teachers and faculty members from the Faculty of Education. Registration is required at observatori.memories@ub.edu. More information at <u>europeanmemories.net.</u>

## **About the Delegates**

### Mirela Osmanović

Liaison for International Cooperation at the Srebrenica Memorial Center. Born in Sarajevo with roots in Srebrenica, she holds a Law degree from the International University of Sarajevo. Osmanović has been instrumental in advocating for the truth about the Srebrenica genocide.

"Talking about the genocide in Srebrenica and spreading the truth about what happened in Bosnia and Herzegovina is not just my job; it is my obligation and mission."

#### Hasan Hasanović

Head of the Department of Oral History at the Srebrenica Memorial Center and a survivor of the genocide. He is the author of *Surviving Srebrenica* and co-author of *Voices from Srebrenica: Survivor Narratives of the Bosnian Genocide*. Hasanović's powerful testimony can be found on <u>srebrenica.uk</u> and <u>Holocaust Memorial Day Trust.</u>

"They didn't care that we were unarmed. Their main concern was that we were Muslims, and they wanted us dead."









## About the Srebrenica Genocide

The Srebrenica massacre, carried out in July 1995 by Bosnian Serb forces, led to the deaths of over 8,000 Bosnian Muslim men and boys, making it the largest mass killing in Europe since World War II. The International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia declared this atrocity an act of genocide. The Srebrenica Memorial Center is dedicated to researching, preserving, and commemorating the memory of this tragic event, managing the Memorial, cemetery, and associated museum spaces.

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