

# Monday, 6 July Krakow

10:00-12:00

Arrive at Hotel Qubus (Nadwiślańska Street 6).

Register at Centropa desk, and store your luggage (NOTE: rooms will not be ready until 15:00)

**Hotel Qubus** 

12:00

Buffet lunch at Hotel Qubus restaurant

Restaurant @ hotel Qubus

13:15

Meet in Conference room. Welcome remarks by Centropa director Edward Serotta and introduction of Centropa staff.

Conference room

13:30

Ice breaker activity led by Marcell Kenesei from Centropa:

Participants meet in country groups in the conference room for 15 minutes. Each participant introduces themselves, and group will appoint a person who will summarize.

Appointed leader will introduce each group member, and give a three minute summary:

- three things everyone is wrong about when they speak of your country;
- three reasons why people from your country are the best partners for cross-cultural projects (this is not meant to be entirely serious)

14:15

Eight teachers, eight Centropa projects.

Think speed-dating. Eight teachers will have five minutes to present eight different Centropa projects to groups of ten participants. After five minutes, each group will move on to the next presentation. Bring something for taking notes - you'll hear a lot of creative teaching ideas!

Plenary room, Qubus

Check in to rooms and change for walking tour/dinner.

16:00

Buses take us to historic city center for walking tour of the Old Town.

Krakow is the only major city in Poland to emerge from World War II mostly undamaged. We will first visit the bustling Stare Miasto, Krakow's old town, and then tour Wawel Hill, the ancient seat of Poland's kings.

19:00

Walking tour ends at Jama Mihalika Cafe (located at Floriańska Street 45 in the old town) for our welcome dinner.

19:15

Remarks by Jakub Nowakowski, Director of the Galicia Jewish Museum, on the Jewish history of Krakow.

19:30

Katka Reszke, author of Return of the Jew: Identity Narratives of the Third Post-Holocaust Generation of Jews in Poland, will speak

19:45

Dinner

Jama Michalika does not offer buffet.

20:45

Buses return to Qubus hotel

### Tuesday, 7 July

Krakow

8:15

Show Krakow slideshow.

Brief review of the Centropa internet database: how to find Polish interviews and photographs. Presentation of Border Jumping site and screening of three short student films from Poland, Israel and Bulgaria.

Screening of the Centropa film So that memory doesn't die on Teofila Silberring from Krakow.

**Qubus** 

9:15

Brief presentations by several Polish teachers and one US teacher on how to use the Teofila Silberring story in class (Beata Gendek Barhoumi, Agnieszka Kania, Beata Skuza, Agnieszka Baginska and Anthony Ludwig). Participants are encouraged to ask the presenters details about their lessons throughout the conference.

9:45

Walking tour of Teofila Silberring's Krakow. Group A and B begin with the ghetto period of her story (Podgorze); Group C crosses the river and begins tour in Kazimierz; visit the Remuh synagogue (interior) and Jewish museum.

Coffee and bathroom break during walk tour (at Galicia Jewish Museum). Water bottles will be provided at beginning of tour.

12:45

Visit to the Galicia Jewish Museum. Introductory meeting of elective groups - sit together while eating lunch; discuss why they chose this elective, how a lesson on this topic will help their curriculum.

14:00

Return to Qubus hotel conference room.

14:30

Lecture on the Jewish history of Krakow by Dr. Edyta Gawron, Head of the Centre for the Study of the History and Culture of Krakow Jews, Jagiellonian University

15:00

Coffee break

Cross border break-out sessions to discuss how to use walking tour and film in class, in groups by subject and age:

English teachers,

History teachers,

School administrators, and ministry officials,

Literature teachers.

NOTE: EU Jewish group will meet separately

16:30

Groups present their Silberring walking tour/film lesson ideas to entire CSA, get feedback. 3 minutes each, 2 minutes reflection, each group gives 1 feedback

17:30

Marcell Kenesei of Centropa introduces the Domonkos film, The Mayor Who Worked in Hell. Followed by discussion.

18:00 Kamila Czerkawska, Michael Heitz and Fabian Rühle will meet with our group of German and Polish teachers to discuss the upcoming Polish-German workshop sessions and its goals.

# Wednesday, 8 July

8:00

Meet in Conference room of Qubus Hotel. Dr. Tomasz Cebulski will brief our group before our visit of Auschwitz Birkenau

8:45

Buses depart for Auschwitz - Birkenau

10:00

Arrive in Auschwitz; tour of the barracks starts at 10:30.

After the tour participants will have 45 minutes to visit the pavilions. Followed by guided visit of Birkenau.

Tomek hired 2 more guides; headsets will be rented on the spot, as the museum does not allow external headsets

15:00

Depart Birkenau, return to Qubus Hotel

16:30

Light snack and drinks

Qubus upstairs - confirm location to tell teachers

17:00

Conference room. Groups meet, discuss the day and reflect on what they learned and how they will share their experience with their students. NOTE: German and Polish teachers will meet separately in room G to reflect the visit to Auschwitz, and to discuss the state of Holocaust education in their countries. Our Polish teachers will take German teachers to two museums: 1) Schindler's Factory and / or the MOCAK. The MOCAK exhibition "Poland-Israel-Germany: The experience of Auschwitz".

Break-out rooms

17:45

Free evening

Although it is a museum on the German occupation of Krakow, not very much on Schindler, we recommend a visit of Schindler's Factory (Lipowa Street 4). Staff will walk you to the museum at 17:45 (10 minutes from Qubus Hotel); last admission at museum at 6:30, museum will close at 8pm. Note: Since this is not part of the official CSA program, participants have to pay the entrance free (19 PLN, which equals around 4.50€).

# Thursday, 9 July, Krakow

7:00-8:15

Finish breakfast, check out of your room and leave luggage at reception.

Be sure to keep your computers, etc. for work session.

8:30

Lecture on New Developments in Coming to Terms with Collective Memory of the Shoah in Post-1989 Poland in the Context of Global Education about the Holocaust by

Dr. Jolanta Ambrosewicz-Jacobs, Director of the Center for Holocaust Studies at the Jagiellonian University in Cracow. Followed by discussion.

9:15

Two teachers present cross-cultural projects inspired by Centropa

10:15

Coffee break

10:45

Elective group work. NOTE: At 11:30, German-Polish workshop will meet in lobby and view the Centropa exhibition on 20th century Jewish life in Poland. Followed by group photo.

12:00

**Buffet lunch** 

12:45

Participants load bags onto buses

13:00

Buses depart from hotel for Warsaw

18:00

Check in at Mercure Warsaw Grand Hotel (28 Krucza Street). Dress code for evening event: business casual.

19:00

Group meets in hotel lobby. Buses will take us to ODIHR (Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights) on Miodowa Street 1.

Buffet reception hosted by ODIHR. Screening of the Centropa film Survival in Sarajevo.

Speakers include:

Cristina Finch, Head of the Tolerance and Non-Discrimination Department; Mirjam Karoly, Senior Adviser on Roma and Sinti Issues; David Mark, Human Rights Adviser and Capacity Building Coordinator; and Peter Mossop, Democratic Governance Officer

21:00

Buses return to hotel.

# Friday 10 July

8:30

Buses depart from hotel to conference venue: the head office of Gazeta Wyborcza, one of Poland's major newspapers. Gazeta was first published on 8 May 1989, under the motto, "Nie ma wolności bez Solidarności" ("There's no freedom without Solidarity".)

The first legal newspaper not controlled by Poland's Communist government, Gazeta became the voice of Solidarity during the run-up to elections in June 1989 (hence its name, which translates as "Electoral Gazette").

9:00

Opening words by Edward Serotta, Director of Centropa.

Panel 1: When Civil society changed our world

- --the Civil Rights movement in the USA, Professor Bohdan Szklarski (American Studies Center, University of Warsaw). Response by Professor Jon Hale (Civil Rights historian at the College of Charleston)
- --Solidarity in Poland: Ewa Kulik-Bielińska, who worked as a Solidarity activist and then a journalist for The Independent (UK) in 1989, will speak on the 1980s in Poland, and how civil society, through Solidarity, brought down Communist rule.

Piotr Stasinski, deputy editor-in-chief at Gazeta Wyborcza, an activist in Solidarity throughout the 1980s, will also speak on civil society, underground publications and police harassment.

Shana Penn, (Taube Foundation for Jewish Life and Culture), author of Solidarity's Secret: The Women Who Defeated Communism in Poland, will shed light on the hidden leadership role of Polish women in the 1980s.

Adam Musial, Polish teacher from Krakow, will give remarks on how the Solidarity Movement is being taught in Polish schools. 10:30

Coffee break

- --The fall of the Berlin Wall: Peter Schneider (Author of The Wall Jumper). Alan Götz (Jewish Life Kraichgau e.V) will respond and talk about how this historic event is being taught in German schools
- --EuroMaidan in Ukraine: Natalia Otrishchenko (Center for Urban History in East Central Europe, Lviv). Ukrainian teachers will respond.

13:00

Lunch

13:30

Panel Two: Germans, Poles and Israelis: Remembering, Mis-Remembering, Obfuscating and Instrumentalizing the Past

- --Knut Dethlefsen (Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Germany) on the Ebert Foundation's work in Israel and in Poland
- --Jerzy Wojcik (Izropa think tank, Warsaw) on Polish-Israeli relations
- --Peter Schneider on Germany's complex views on the Solidarity movement

### Moderated by:

Edward Serotta (Director of Centropa and author of Jews, Germans, Memory: A Contemporary Portrait)

14:30

Reflection on day's learning: what will you bring to your students from today's sessions?

15:15

Elective group work

16:15

Board bus for German Embassy

16:30

Reception at German Embassy

17:30

Walk from German Embassy to hotel.

17:45

Arrival at hotel.

Dress code for evening: business casual, no short skirts for women.

19:30

Buses leave for Nożyk Synagogue (6 Twarda Street)

20:00

Shabbat service at synagogue and dinner with Rabbi Schudrich

22:00

Participants return to hotel

### Saturday 11 July

Morning off. Explore the city and have lunch on your own. Religious services for Jewish participants upon prior request; kosher lunch for Shabbat observant participants in the Jewish Community upon prior request

NOTE: All German and Polish teachers will meet at 11:45 in the conference hotel room for a working lunch. Presentations on How to teach German-Jewish history and Polish-Jewish history (Andreas Breunig, Mannheim; Michael Heitz et al, Jewish Life Kraichgau; Beata Skuza, Joanna Zimnowoda, Wroclaw, Jacek Jaros, Kielce). We will also view and discuss student films and a short Centropa movie about Erna Goldmann, a Jewish Holocaust survivor from Frankfurt am Main. German and Polish participants will then discuss ways how to implement the expert lectures from Friday as well from our days in Krakow in their classrooms.

Meet at conference room Hotel Mercure Warsaw Grand for discussions of If this is a man? / Survival in Auschwitz by Primo Levi (meet in national groups)

14:00

Everyone meets to share comments. Discussion led by Alan Goetz, history teacher from Eppingen (Germany).

14:30

Elective group work

15:30

Coffee break

16:00

The following groups meet to have a roundtable discussion on cross-cultural cooperation: 1) EU Jewish / US Jewish / Israelis

2) US public and European public schools (4 groups)

17:00

Walk to Palace of Culture

17:30

Screening of the Polish film "Ida" at Kinoteka (inside Warsaw's landmark Palace of Culture).

19:00

Karen Auerbach, author of The House at Ujazdowskie 16: Jewish Families in Warsaw after the Holocaust, will speak on Ida and its reception in Poland. Polish teachers will respond.

19:45

Participants can explore Warsaw's nightlife or return to hotel on their own.

# **Sunday 12 July**

8:30

Buses leave for POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews.

9:00

Conference room. Screening of Centropa film about Mieczyslaw Weinryb, followed by presentation about the museum by Barbara Kirshenblatt Gimblett.

10:00

Coffee break

10:30/10:40/10:50

Participants will tour the museum in three groups, and our museum tour guides will concentrate on 1648 through September 1939.

12:00/12:10/12:20

Participants explore museum on their own

12:45-13:30

Buffet lunch in museum

13:40

Meet in Conference room. Helise Liebermann will introduce the Taube Foundation, the Taube Center and the guides, the role of the walking workshops (in four groups) within the program. Prepare for tour of Warsaw ghetto and Jewish cemetery.

14:00

Group A I and II: Bus will depart for the Jewish Cemetery on Okopowa Street. The visit focuses on transmitting 200 years of Warsaw's Jewish history through specific personalities, matzevot (tombstones) and several sections of the cemetery.

Group B I and II: Group I will begin the walking tour on the Museum Plaza and follow the Memorial Route of Martyrdom and Struggle to the Umschlagplatz and then back to the Museum; Group II will begin the walking workshop at the Willy Brandt memorial in front of the Polin, walk to the Umschlagplatz and return to Museum Plaza via Memorial Route of Martyrdom and Struggle.

15:15

Bus return from the Cemetery and meet Group II on Zamenhof Street near Rappaport's Monument to the Ghetto Heroes.

15:30

Walking Tours as Above.

16:45

All groups return to POLIN Museum. Coffee break.

17:15

Group work in electives. Every group needs to email a detailed description of the lesson by Sunday 6:30pm. (NOTE: Centropa staff will select one lesson per elective topic and one video to be presented to the entire CSA on Monday. The rest of the groups will present in a speed-learning format, as we did on the first day. You will be notified Monday morning which kind of presentation your small group will do.)

18:30

Buses return to hotel

19:30

Final dinner at hotel

# Monday 13 July 8:45 Buses take us to Polin Museum 9:00 Introduction to A City in Three Acts, three interlinked stories about Rovno/Rivne -- by our German, Polish and American teachers who have just returned from Ukraine 9:15 Screening of Surviving Stalin's Gulag, the story of Haya Lea Detinko. Then after a short discussion, we screen Return to Rivne 10:00 Teachers meet in elective group to finalize their presentations 10:30 Coffee break

Dr. Beth Holmgren (Duke University), will speak about Why Understanding Polish History and Jewish History on Polish Territory is so Damned Important.

11:45

11:00

Presentations of five lessons and one video, chosen by Centropa staff.

13:00

Buffet lunch in museum

14:00

The rest of the elective groups present their lessons and videos in speed presentation format.

15:45

Coffee break

16:15

Wrap up discussion

17:00

# **End of program**

# Tuesday 14 July

9:00

Participants check out of hotel, return home