

**The Second International Conference on the Genocide of the Roma:  
 Countering Holocaust Distortion and Anti-Roma Discrimination through Research and  
 Education**

**Zagreb, 11 – 12 September 2023**

<b>Monday, 11 September 2023</b>	
<b>9:00-9:30</b>	<p><b>Welcome address</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Terezija Gras, <i>Co-Chair of the IHRA</i></li> <li>• Anna Mišková, <i>Chair of the IHRA Committee on the Genocide of the Roma</i></li> <li>• Veljko Kajtazi, <i>Member of Croatian Parliament representing the Roma minority</i></li> </ul>
<b>9:40-11:00</b>	<p><b>Session I, Part 1: Development of national and international mechanisms to counter Holocaust distortion in the context of the Genocide of the Roma – Research perspectives</b></p> <p><i>The opening session will analyse the issue of how national and international institutions in develop mechanisms for countering distortion of the Genocide of the Roma. Part of the presentations will be focused on the role of academic research, as an important component of the national and international mechanisms in countering distortion.</i></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Karola Fings (<i>IHRA Expert, Heidelberg University, Germany</i>)</p> <p><b>Presentations by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stephane Laederich (<i>IHRA Expert, Roma Foundation Zurich, Switzerland</i>)</li> <li>• Hanna Abakunova (<i>Uppsala University, Sweden/Ukraine</i>)</li> <li>• Gerhard Baumgartner (<i>IHRA Expert, Documentation Centre of Austrian Resistance, Austria</i>)</li> </ul>
<b>11:00-11:15</b>	<i>Coffee break</i>
<b>11:15-13:00</b>	<p><b>Session I, Part 2</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Karola Fings (<i>IHRA Expert, Heidelberg University, Germany</i>)</p> <p><b>Presentations by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Danijel Vojak (<i>IHRA Expert, Institute of Social Sciences Ivo Pilar, Croatia</i>)</li> <li>• Sanja Gladanac-Petrović (<i>Institute of History, University of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Hezegovina</i>)</li> <li>• Daniel Petrovski (<i>PhD student, Institute of Folklore "Marko Cepenkov", North Macedonia</i>)</li> <li>• Milovan Pissari (<i>Institute of Philosophy and Social Theory, Italy/Serbia</i>)</li> </ul>
<b>13:00-14:00</b>	<i>Lunch break</i>

<p><b>14:00-15:00</b></p>	<p><b>Session II: Culture of remembrance and memorialization – terminology</b>  <i>The development of the culture of remembrance of the victims of the Genocide of the Roma, which includes memorialization, indicates the ways in which government authorities relate their policy to the Genocide of the Roma. The session will consist of the presentations of two Croatian memorial institutions for memorialization of the victims of the Genocide of the Roma in Croatia during the Second World War.</i></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Emir Grbić (<i>IHRA Expert, Croatian Romani Union "Kali Sara", Croatia</i>)</p> <p><b>Presentations by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ivo Pejaković (<i>IHRA Expert, Jasenovac Memorial Site, Croatia</i>)</li> <li>• Robert Korenić (<i>Roma Memorial Center Uštica, Croatia</i>)</li> </ul>
<p><b>15:00-15:20</b></p>	<p><i>Coffee break</i></p>
<p><b>15:20-17:30</b></p>	<p><b>Session III: Academic and cultural projects on the Genocide of the Roma in Southeast Europe</b>  <i>In the past two decades, there has been noticeable increase of projects that encourage the academic community to conduct deeper and more systematic research on this topic. The session will discuss the academic research of the Genocide of the Roma, based on the example of the international project Encyclopaedia of the Nazi Genocide of the Sinti and Roma in Europe. The session will include the presentation of an example of cooperation between museology experts and academics in researching the installation of the exhibition on the Genocide of the Roma in the Croatian History Museum in Zagreb.</i></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Gerhard Baumgartner (<i>IHRA Expert, Documentation Centre of Austrian Resistance, Austria</i>)</p> <p><b>Presentations by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Karola Fings (<i>IHRA Expert, Heidelberg University, Germany</i>), Sarah Kleinmann (<i>Heidelberg University, Germany</i>), Danijel Vojak (<i>IHRA Expert, Institute of Social Science Ivo Pilar, Croatia</i>), Milovan Pisarri (<i>Institute of Philosophy and Social Theory, Italy/Serbia</i>), Daniel Petrovski (<i>PhD student at the Institute of Folklore "Marko Cepenkov", North Macedonia</i>), Paula Simon (<i>Heidelberg University, Germany</i>), and Martin Holler (<i>Heidelberg University, Germany</i>)</li> <li>• Matea Brstilo Rešetar (<i>Croatian History Museum</i>), Danijel Vojak (<i>IHRA-Expert, Institute of Social science Ivo Pilar, Croatia</i>), Petra Braun (<i>Croatian History Museum</i>)</li> </ul>

Evening event	
18:00-19:30	<p><b>Opening of the exhibition “19 May 1942: Genocide of the Roma in the Independent State of Croatia/Samudaripen”</b></p> <p><i>The exhibition “19 May 1942: Genocide of the Roma in the Independent State of Croatia/Samudaripen” (author Danijel Vojak, associates: Sunčica Nagradić Habus, Robert Korenić), will be opened at the Croatian Romani Union “Kali Sara”. The exhibition focuses on the suffering of the Roma in the Independent State of Croatia, with the emphasis on the decree on systematic deportation of all Roma to the Jasenovac extermination camp.</i></p>

Tuesday, 12 September 2023	
10:00-11:00	<p><b>Session IV: Education on the Genocide of the Roma – The IHRA Recommendations for Teaching and Learning about the Genocide of the Roma</b></p> <p><i>One of the key areas in understanding the Genocide of the Roma is education. This Session will focus on the presentation of the IHRA project draft “Recommendations for Teaching and Learning about the Persecution and Genocide of the Roma during the Nazi Era”. The adoption of these Recommendations will be an invaluable tool for further enhancement of education about the Genocide of the Roma.</i></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Stephane Laederich (<i>IHRA Expert, Roma Foundation in Zurich, Switzerland</i>)</p> <p><b>Presentations by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Miško Stanišić (<i>IHRA Expert, Terraforming, Serbia</i>) and Nina Krieger (<i>IHRA Expert, Vancouver Holocaust Education Centre, Canada</i>)</li> </ul>
11:00-11:20	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:20-13:00	<p><b>Session V: Future of Remembrance – a discussion on perspectives of research, education, and remembrance</b></p> <p><i>The final session of the Conference will discuss outcomes of the Conference and future perspectives of the development of academic research, education, and the culture of remembrance of the victims of the Genocide of the Roma.</i></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Sara Lustig, <i>Co-Chair of the IHRA</i></p> <p><i>Panel discussion with IHRA experts.</i></p>
13:00-13:15	<p><b>Closing of the conference, remarks by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sara Lustig, <i>Co-Chair of the IHRA</i></li> <li>• Tena Šimonović Einwalter, <i>Ombudswoman of the Republic of Croatia</i></li> </ul>
13:15-15:00	<i>Lunch</i>