U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington, D.C. Topography of Terror Foundation, Berlin

The Eichmann Trial in International Perspective: Impact, Developments, and Challenges

Date: Tuesday, May 24 to Thursday, May 26, 2011

Venue: Topography of Terror Documentation Center

Niederkirchnerstraße 8

10963 Berlin Germany

Fee: 30 Euros

(Students and teachers with identification free)

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Tuesday, May 24

18h00 Welcoming Address

Andreas Nachama, Topography of Terror Foundation, Berlin

Uwe Neumärker, Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe Foundation, Berlin

Norbert Kampe, House of the Wannsee Conference Memorial and Educational Site, Berlin

Welcoming Speech

Walter Momper, Chairman of the Berlin House of Representatives

Keynote Lecture: "The Eichmann Trial: A Perspective after 50 Years"

Deborah E. Lipstadt, Emory University, Atlanta

Chair: Paul A. Shapiro, U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington, DC

Wednesday, May 25

9h00 Registration

9h30 Welcome remarks

Andreas Nachama, Topography of Terror Foundation, Berlin

Paul A. Shapiro, U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington, DC

10h00 Lecture: "Reflections on the Glass Booth"

Lawrence Douglas, Amherst College, Amherst

Chair: Andreas Nachama, Topography of Terror Foundation, Berlin

11h00 Coffee break

11h30 Panel: Legal Implications of the Trial

- Valerie Hébert, Lakehead University at Orillia, "Justice in Transition from Nuremberg to Kigali: Turning Points in the Legal Responses to Genocide"

- Leora Bilsky, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, "The Eichmann Trial and the Legacy of Jurisdiction"
- Jürgen Matthäus, U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington, DC, "The Eichmann Trial and the Prosecution of Nazi Crimes in West Germany"
- Gerd Hankel, Hamburg Institute for Social Research, Hamburg: "The Implications of Eichmann's Conviction for Contemporary Criminals against the State"
- Chair: Lawrence Douglas

13h00 Lunch

14h00 Panel: International Reception of the Trial in the 1960s

- Annette Weinke, Friedrich Schiller University of Jena, "Between dealing-with and cover-up. The Eichmann-Trial and the Adenauer-Government"
- Hanna Yablonka, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, "A trauma unfolded- Nazi era trials and the Israelis"
- Gilbert Achcar, University of London, "Reception of the Eichmann Trial in Arab Countries"
- Chair: Michael Wildt, Humboldt University, Berlin

16h30 Coffee break

17h00 Introduction to and Tour of the Exhibition: "Facing Justice: Adolf Eichmann on Trial" at the Topography of Terror Documentation Center

Ulrich Baumann, Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe Foundation, Berlin Lisa Hauff, Topography of Terror Foundation, Berlin

19h00 Speakers' dinner hosted by the German Foreign Office

Thursday, May 26

9h00 Lecture: "Eichmann and Zionism: From Acquaintance to Opportunism, Vengeance to Justice"

Michael Berkowitz, University College London

Chair: Jürgen Matthäus

9h45 Panel: The Eichmann Trial as Media Event

- Klaus Bölling, ARD correspondent at the Eichmann Trial in Jerusalem, "The Eichmann Trial in Contemporary German Media"
- Steven Alan Carr, Indiana University Purdue University Fort Wayne, "Eichmann TV and the Globalization of Holocaust Memory"
- Peter Krause, University of Konstanz: "The Eichmann Trial and the Cold War Press Coverage in East and West Germany"

Chair: Thomas Lutz, Topography of Terror Foundation, Berlin

11h15 Coffee break

11h45 Roundtable Discussion: The Eichmann Trial in Contemporary Perspective

- Hans Mommsen, Ruhr University Bochum (Emeritus)
- Hanna Yablonka, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
- David Tolbert, International Center for Transitional Justice, New York [invited]
- David Cesarani, University of London
- Chair: Wolf Kaiser, House of the Wannsee Conference Memorial and Educational Site, Berlin

13h15 End of conference