

Forum "Future of Remembrance" 2018

National Socialism and the Second World War in a Global Historical Perspective

Tuesday, May 1, 2018; 14:00–17:15

Wednesday, May 2, 2018; 09:00–16:00

During the fourth Forum "Future of Remembrance" 2018 we will broaden the discussion on National Socialism and the Second World War by introducing a global historical perspective and addressing the question of how memorial sites can open themselves to it. We will argue that the situation in the European countries occupied by Germany during the Second World War as well as the experiences of groups of Nazi victims from non-European countries should be included. Moreover, we will examine the role National Socialism plays in different cultures of remembrance and how crimes committed under other dictatorships have been dealt with as well as talk about how significant dealing with historical events is for establishing a culture of remembrance beyond borders. Participants, among them the representatives of survivors' associations and descendants of former prisoners, memorial staff and associated organizations, young people and other interested individuals will discuss the following questions and initiate new projects:

1. We will analyze the situation in the countries occupied by Nazi Germany, focusing on Eastern European countries, the impact of Nazi rule on non-European countries and discuss the way the crimes committed under other dictatorships have been dealt with.
2. The stories of persecutees from non-European countries are considered exemplary for the global scale of Nazi crimes. We will examine how their children and grandchildren have dealt with the consequences of persecution.
3. Students from Hamburg will present the results of their analysis of National Socialism and the Second World War through a stage play.
4. The participants will reflect on a possibility of having a more nuanced view of National Socialism by taking the previously marginalized experiences of persecution and co-perpetratorship into consideration. Also, the experiences of dealing with crimes committed under other dictatorships can be included

Location: Neuengamme Concentration Camp Memorial, Center for Historical Studies

The event will be simultaneously translated into German, English and Polish.

All participants are required to register. Registration fee is 60€ (30€ reduced). In order to register please contact Sophia Annweiler, Neuengamme Concentration Camp Memorial, Center for Historical Studies, Tel.: +49 (0)40 428 131 543, Email: Studienzentrum@bkm.hamburg.de

Program

Tuesday, May 1, 2018; 14:00–17:15 (Neuengamme Concentration Camp Memorial, Center for Historical Studies)

- 13:00–14:00 *Lunch (Registration required)*
- 14:00–14:30 Introduction, looking back on last year's Forum (Dr. Oliver von Wrochem & Swenja Granzow-Rauwald, Neuengamme Concentration Camp Memorial)
- 14:30–15:00 Opening lecture: National Socialism in a Global Historical Perspective (Dr. Oliver von Wrochem, Neuengamme Concentration Camp Memorial)
- 15:00–16:00 Presentations: Projects with the Eastern European countries occupied by Germany during the Second World War (Moderation: Hanno Billerbeck, Neuengamme Concentration Camp Memorial: Working Group for Ecclesiastical Memorial Work; Gisela Ewe, Neuengamme Concentration Camp Memorial: Project for young people visiting from Minsk; Daniel Tonn, Bergen-Belsen Memorial: Trinational project "History starts within the Family")
- 16:00–16:15 Coffee break
- 16:15–17:15 Discussion: Experiences in the German-occupied countries of Europe – the persecuted, followers, collaborators and perpetrators: descendants' perspectives (Moderation: Swenja Granzow-Rauwald, Neuengamme Concentration Camp Memorial; Yvonne Cossu-Alba, French Association of former Prisoners of Neuengamme France; Urszula Derengowska-Spinkiewicz, Polish Association of former Prisoners of Neuengamme Poland; Nicole Duijkers, Dutch Association of former Prisoners of Neuengamme Netherlands)
- 17:15 Snacks
- 17:30 Shuttle bus back to the hotel
- 19:00 *Evening event "60 Years of the Amicale Internationale KZ Neuengamme"*
(Location: Curiohaus, Rotherbaumchaussee 13, 20148 Hamburg, Raum A; Registration required)

Wednesday, May 2, 2018; 09:00 – 16:00 (Neuengamme Concentration Camp Memorial, Center for Historical Studies)

- 09:00–09:30 Overview of the program for the second day (Dr. Oliver von Wrochem & Swenja Granzow-Rauwald, Neuengamme Concentration Camp Memorial)
- 09:30–11:00 Presentations and discussions: The inclusion of the experiences of migrants from non-European countries who were persecuted during National Socialism within the European culture of remembrance (Moderation: Dr. Oliver von Wrochem, Neuengamme Concentration Camp Memorial; Dr. Susann Lewerenz, Neuengamme Concentration Camp Memorial, & Philipp Bernhard, University of Augsburg: Cooperational Project "Colonial and racist thinking and acting during

- National Socialism: Preconditions, forms, consequences", Kathrin Herold & Appolinaire Apetor-Koffi, Denkort Bunker Valentin: Project "Multi-peRSPEKTif")
- 11:00–11:15 Coffee break
- 11:15–12:30 Discussion: Dealing with experiences of violence in other dictatorships – differences and similarities (Moderation: Dr. Ulrich Gantz, Friends of the Neuengamme Concentration Camp Memorial; Dr. Gerd Hankel, Hamburger Stiftung zur Förderung von Wissenschaft und Kultur, Stanislava Jević, Schauspielhaus Hamburg, Jordi Palou-Loverdos, „Audiencias Memoriales" in Catalonia)
- 12:30–13:15 Lunch break
- 13:15–14:00 Youth project: "Changing Perspective. Global Dimensions of the Second World War. Theater Project" (Moderation: Lisa Herbst, Neuengamme Concentration Camp Memorial)
- 14:00–14:15 Coffee break
- 14:15–15:15 Panel discussion: What is the significance of the various European and non-European experiences for the work of memorial sites today and what is their impact on the historico-political alignment of societies. (Moderation: Swenja Granzow-Rauwald & Dr. Susann Lewerenz, Neuengamme Concentration Camp Memorial; Aischa Ahmed, Historian and Cultural Scientist, Berlin, Dr. Elke Gryglewski, Memorial and Educational Site House of the Wannsee Conference, Dr. Martine Letterie, Association of former Prisoners of Neuengamme Netherlands)
- 15:15–16:00 Closing remarks
- 16:15 Shuttle bus back to the hotel
- 19:00 *Evening event "Conversation with survivors of the Neuengamme concentration camp and their relatives" (Location: Baseler Hof Säle, Esplanade 15, 20354 Hamburg; Registration required)*