



EHRI Newsletter - January 2021

Dear readers,

Despite the upheaval caused by Covid-19, EHRI's two projects have advanced well over the past year. A lot of credit for maintaining the momentum in both EHRI-Preparatory Phase and EHRI-3 is due to the dedication of all involved. We give special thanks to colleagues who began working for EHRI shortly before, or even during lockdowns.

EHRI will remain very active in 2021. We look forward, for example, to the inaugural meeting of EHRI's Board of Governmental Representatives - a committee of distinguished representatives from national ministries and funding bodies that will play a key role in developing the permanent EHRI organisation. In EHRI as elsewhere, the repetitive lockdowns have stimulated a can-do approach to activities that ordinarily would involve travel. Most prominent at this moment is our call for applications to the Conny Kristel Fellowships, which offer international access to an unprecedented range of key archives and collections, as well as to archival and digital humanities expertise. If possible and needed, remote access is now part of the equation. We also wish to highlight our Document Blog, our ever-growing podium for brief, innovative interpretations and presentations of vivid primary sources.

On 27 January, EHRI, and its partners will mark Holocaust Memorial Day. Recent events and developments show that this day more important than ever. To truly honour the victims of the Holocaust, all of us need to redouble our efforts to erect barriers against the rapid spread of hate speech, lies and misinformation, and to push back against the rising tide of antisemitism, racism and xenophobia. By providing access to reliable and properly contextualised sources from across the world, and by supporting new research into the origins, mechanics and legacy of the Holocaust, EHRI critically contributes to this mission.

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Call | EHRI Conny Kristel Fellowship Programme 2021



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Deadline for applications: 15 March 2021

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Conny Kristel Fellowships support and stimulate Holocaust research conducted by researchers, archivists, librarians, curators, and junior scholars, especially PhD candidates with limited resources.

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Partners | Holocaust Memorial Day 2021

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In 2005, the United Nations General Assembly designated 27 January as the International Day of Commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust, the day upon which every year the world would mark and remember the Holocaust and its victims. On 27 January 1945, the Auschwitz-Birkenau extermination camp complex was liberated.



Holocaust Memorial Day or Holocaust Remembrance Day is worldwide marked by local, national and international events.

The majority of EHRI's partners also organise events on or around 27 January to commemorate the Holocaust, to learn and to never forget. Several of the events organised by our partners are listed below. Given the COVID-19 situation, most of them are online. This list is updated until 27 January.

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EHRI Survey | Please Give Us Your Opinion on Our Services



21/01/2021

Over the years EHRI has developed a broad range of services which have been delivered to a growing number of users of different backgrounds and disciplines. These services include those accessible online such as the EHRI Portal, the Documents Blog, The Online Editions, and Online

<u>Courses</u>. In addition, various training services have been provided, and include a <u>Fellowship Programme</u>, workshops, seminars and conferences.

As we prepare to transform the EHRI project into a permanent research infrastructure, we aim to assess whether the existing EHRI services fulfill the current and future needs of EHRI's user community. For this purpose, we have prepared a survey intended for current and potential future users of various EHRI services. The "EHRI Survey: User, Access and Training Strategies" has been prepared on an online platform through SurveyMonkey. The survey should take approximately 15-20 minutes to fill out.

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EHRI Partner | the Elie Wiesel Institute Launches Digital Platform 'Holocaust in Romania'

25/01/2021

EHRI partner, the 'Elie Wiesel' National Institute for the Study of the Holocaust in Romania, is launching a digital project, the Holocaust in Romania platform, meant to promote the remembrance of Holocaust victims and encourage the discovery of the past.



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EHRI Blog | Parcels from Axis-allied Finland to the Ghettos of Nazi Occupied Poland

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This new EHRI Document Blog post by Simo Muir describes the unknown story of parcel-sending campaigns led by Jewish families in Finland to the ghettos in Nazi-occupied Poland. By looking at the private parcel campaigns of the Blaugrund family, the post shows the significant impact that these

parcels - containing used clothes, money and food - had on the lives of family members in ghettos, labour camps and in hiding.

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EHRI partners

KNAW – NIOD Institute for War, Holocaust and Genocide Studies (NL)

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Belgian State Archives/CegeSoma (BE) Masaryk Institute and Archives of the Czech

Academy of Sciences (CZ) Yad Vashem (IL)

Leibniz Institute for Contemporary History (DE)

King's College London (UK)

Holocaust Documentation Center (SK)

Kazerne Dossin (BE)

The Wiener Holocaust Library (UK)

'Elie Wiesel' National Institute for the Study of the Holocaust in Romania (RO)

Vienna Wiesenthal Institute for Holocaust Studies (AT)

Inria – team ALAMAnaCH (FR)
Polish Center for Holocaust Research (PL)
Contemporary Jewish Documentation Center
Foundation (IT)
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (GR)
Vilna Gaon Museum of Jewish History (LT)

US Holocaust Memorial Museum (US) National Research Council (IT)

Vilna Gaon Museum of Jewish History (LT)
Hungarian Jewish Museum and Archives (HU)
Center for Urban History of East Central Europe

Jewish Museum in Prague (CZ)

Shoah Memorial (FR)
Jewish Historical Institute (PL)

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