

Inauguration Ceremony European Holocaust Research Infrastructure (EHRI-ERIC)

Location [POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews](#), Mordechaja Anielewicza 6, Warsaw
Date Sunday, 26 January 2025, 15:00h-17:00h for the main ceremony; please see overleaf for full programme

Programme main ceremony

Opening by the Polish Presidency of the Council of the European Union

Hanna Wróblewska, Minister of Culture and National Heritage of the Republic of Poland

Władysław Teofil Bartoszewski, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland

Address by the hosting country of EHRI-ERIC

Eppo Bruins, Minister of Education, Culture and Science of the Netherlands

Address

Krystyna Budnicka, Survivor of the Warsaw Ghetto, representing Holocaust survivors

Signing ceremony

High-level representatives from the founding member countries of EHRI-ERIC sign a statement expressing their ongoing support. These are: Austria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Germany, Israel, Netherlands, Poland, Slovak Republic, Romania, and the United Kingdom.

Musical interlude

"Nigun" from the Baal Shem Suite by Ernest Bloch, performed by **Maria Sławek** (Violin) and **Piotr Sałajczyk** (Piano)

Address by a representative of the European Commission

Katharina von Schnurbein, EC's coordinator on combating antisemitism and fostering Jewish life

Address by a representative of the European Parliament

Christian Ehler, MEP and Member of Committee on Industry, Research and Energy (ITRE)

Address on behalf of the EHRI community

Reto Speck, Co-Director EHRI

Recognition of long-term supporters of EHRI



Ministry of Culture and National Heritage
Republic of Poland



Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Republic of Poland

Christian Ehler, MEP, and **Robert-Jan Smits**, President Eindhoven University of Technology

Musical closing

Two Songs without words by Mieczyslaw Weinberg, performed by **Maria Sławek** (Violin) and **Piotr Sałajczyk** (Piano)

Full Programme

- 11:00h-13:00h Optional guided tour of the [Emanuel Ringelblum Jewish Historical Institute](#), Tłomackie 3/5, Warsaw, visiting exhibitions and archives
- 13:00h-14:00h Lunch buffet at POLIN Museum
- 14:00h-15:00h Guests may visit the exhibition of the POLIN Museum and stalls about EHRI
- 15:00h-17:00h Main ceremony
- 17:00h-18:00h Reception at POLIN Museum