

”Learning in Memorial Sites – contemporary challenges and experiences”

Introduction

The Task Force for International Cooperation on Holocaust Education, Remembrance, and Research consists of representatives of government, as well as governmental and non-governmental organizations. Its purpose is to place political and social leaders' support behind the need for Holocaust education, remembrance, and research both nationally and internationally. Initiated by Swedish Prime Minister Göran Persson in 1998, the Task Force currently has twenty-seven member countries. Norway has the Chairmanship of the ITF this year.

In this international conference, located at the Falstad Memorial in the surroundings of the former SS-Camp Falstad, experts from the Task Force and other institutions gather to discuss contemporary, didactical challenges and experiences in Holocaust-related memorial sites and museums.

Programme

Saturday Nov. 28th

Lunch

17h00 Welcome, Tone Jørstad, Director Falstad Memorial
Introduction, Jon Reitan, Falstad Memorial

Screening “In fear of the Forest”

17h45-20h30 Panel 1 “Holocaust and Human rights narratives – obstacles and opportunities”

Chair: Otto Rühl, Danish Institute for International Studies DIIS

Wolf Kaiser, Gedenk- und Bildungsstätte Haus der Wannsee-Konferenz:
“Educational goals at Holocaust related historical sites”

Monique Eckmann, University of Applied Sciences of Western Switzerland:
“Human Rights Education – similarities and differences with education in memorial museums”

Coffee

Thomas Lutz, Topographie des Terrors:
“Holocaust Education, Memorial Museums and Human Rights Education –
Mutual benefits?”

20h30 Dinner Falstad Memorial

Sunday Nov. 29th

09h00-13h00 Panel 2 “Memorial sites and practical-pedagogical examples”

*Chair: Werner Dreier, Verein Nationalsozialismus und Holocaust: Gedächtnis
und Gegenwart (www.erinnern.at)*

Otto Rühl, Danish Institute for International Studies DIIS:
“The ITF guidelines on visiting memorial sites – personal experiences”

Karen Polak, Anne Frank House:
“Free 2 Choose” at the Anne Frank House

Coffee

Alicja Białecka, Memorial and Museum Auschwitz-Birkenau:
“Holocaust and Human Rights – a Polish memorial site experience”

Yariv Lapid, KZ Gedenkstätte Mauthausen and Heidemarie Uhl,
Österreichische Akademie der Wissenschaften:
“The renewing of the Mauthausen Memorial and development of pedagogical
concepts“

Rita Nagy, Holocaust Memorial Center Budapest:
“Learning in a memorial museum – the visitor experience”

13h00 Lunch

14h00-16h00 Panel 3 “Didactical concepts in Norwegian Memorial sites and institutions”

Chair: Jon Reitan, Falstad Memorial

14h00-15h15 Guided Tour Falstad

Knut Vesterdal, Falstad Memorial:
”The Josef Grabowski Project”

Peder Nustad, Centre for Studies of Holocaust and Religious Minorities:
“Teaching the Holocaust in the former villa of Vidkun Quisling”

16h45-17h15 Plenary Discussion – “Learning in Memorial sites” and ITF Outreach

17h30 Departure to the Rica Nidelven Conference Hotel, Trondheim

Practical information

Arrival Trondheim Airport Vaernes:

Friday Night 27.11.09

Saturday Morning 28.11.09

There are daily connections to Trondheim from Amsterdam, Copenhagen and Stockholm.

Transport from the Airport to the Falstad Memorial will be taken care of for EWG and MMWG delegates to the conference. There is a 45 minute bus drive from the airport to the memorial site.

Acommodation:

Falstad Memorial and the Hotel Backlund in Levanger, close to the Memorial.

Registration:

Falstad Memorial at post@falstadsenteret.no within October 24th.

Please give us following information in the registration-email:

- Name
- Address
- Single or double room (and whom you in this case would like to share room with)
- Food allergies or preferences
- If you are a EWG / MMWG delegate
- Time of arrivale

Maximum number of participants: 60.

Price: For non-delegates NOK 1500,-

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