



**Yad Vashem**  
The Holocaust Martyrs' and  
Heroes' Remembrance Authority



**Republic of Serbia**  
Ministry of Culture



**Museum of Genocide Victims**  
Belgrade

# **Academic Exchange with Serbian Scholars**

**15 June 2006 - 20 June 2006**

The Symposium will be held in English at Yad Vashem

## THURSDAY, 15 JUNE

09:30 Assembly (Research Institute Lecture Hall-Room 223)

### **Opening Remarks**

9:45-10:30

**David Bankier**, Head of the International Institute for Holocaust Research and Incumbent of the John Najmann Chair of Holocaust Studies - Yad Vashem, and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
*The Place of the Holocaust in World War II Research*

**Jovan Ćulibrk**, Jasenovac Committee of the Holy Assembly of Bishops of the Serbian Orthodox Church

**Miodrag Isakov**, New Ambassador of Serbia to Israel

**Silvana Hadži-Đokić**, Ministry of Culture – Serbia

10:30-12:00 **Avner Shalev**, Chairman of the Yad Vashem Directorate and the Chief Curator of the Yad Vashem Museum  
*Yad Vashem – History and Memory in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*

12:00-14:00 Tour of the new Yad Vashem Museum

14:00-15:00 Lunch Break

\* \* \* \* \* 15:00-17:00 **Research Workshop**  
(Research Institute Lecture Hall-Room 223)

### **Session I**

15:00-17:00

**Srđa Trifković**, The Rockford Institute, Chicago, USA  
*The Persecution of the Jews Before the Holocaust – Independent State of Croatia Spring – Summer 1941*

**Dan Michman**, Chief Historian of Yad Vashem, and Bar-Ilan University  
*Holocaust History – A Jewish Perspective*

**Discussion**

## FRIDAY, 16 JUNE

\* \* \* \* \* 09:00-11:15 **Research Workshop**  
(Research Institute Lecture Hall-Room 223)

## Session II

09:00–11:15

**Yehuda Bauer**, Academic Advisor of Yad Vashem  
*The Uniqueness and Universality of the Holocaust*

**Milan Ristović**, University of Belgrade  
*Assistance and Rescue of Jews in Serbia*

Respondent

**Silvana Hadži-Dokić**, Ministry of Culture – Serbia  
*Victims or Martyrs?*

### Discussion

11:15-13:00

Opening of the Charlotte Salomon Art Exhibit – *Life or Theatre*  
\*\*\*\*(Optional)\*\*\*\*

## SUNDAY, 18 JUNE

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09:00-16:30

### Research Workshop

(Research Institute Lecture Hall-Room 223)

## Session III

09:00-10:30

**Milan Koljanin**, The Institute for Contemporary History –  
Belgrade

*The Holocaust Research in Yugoslavia*

\*\*This lecture will be in German\*\*

**Kiril Fefferman**, Yad Vashem and the Hebrew University of  
Jerusalem

*Unique Aspects of the Holocaust in Southern Russia – A Comparison*

### Discussion

10:30-11:00

Coffee Break

## Session IV

11:00-13:30

**Jovan Mirković**, The Museum of Genocide Victims – Belgrade

*Jasenovac: History and the Historiography (Some Open Questions on  
Jasenovac in Historiography)*

**Mirjam Rajner**, Bar-Ilan University

*Jewish Artists in Jasenovac*

**Dragan Cvetković**, The Museum of Genocide Victims – Belgrade

*The Holocaust in Yugoslavia – An Attempt of Quantification  
(Methodology, Issues, Examples and Results)*

Respondent

**Krinka Vidaković-Petrov**, Former Ambassador of Serbia-Montenegro  
Serbian – *Jewish Relations and Jasenovac*

### **Discussion**

13:30-14:30 Lunch Break

### **Session V**

14:30-16:00 **Nenad Antonijević**, The Museum of Genocide Victims – Belgrade  
*The Holocaust in the Area of Kosovo and Metohija During World War II and Its Context*

**Iael Nidam-Orvieto**, Yad Vashem and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
*Jews Under the Italian Occupation in Yugoslavia – Israeli Historiography*

### **Discussion**

16:00-16:30 **David Bankier**, Head of the International Institute for Holocaust Research and Incumbent of the John Najmann Chair of Holocaust Studies, Yad Vashem, and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
*Summary Comments*

## **MONDAY, 19 JUNE**

9:00-10:30 **Sara Pechanac**, Director of Technical Services Archives Division, and **Noemi Halpern**, Vice Director of Yad Vashem Archives  
Tour and Overview of the Yad Vashem Archives  
(Gather at the Research Institute Lecture Hall-Room 223)

10:30-11:15 **Alexander Avraham**, Director of Hall of Names Department  
*Recording the Names*  
(Research Institute Lecture Hall-Room 223)

11:15-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-12:15 **Mordechai Paldiel**, Director of Righteous Among the Nations Department  
*Remembering and Honoring the Rescuers of Jews*  
(Research Institute Lecture Hall-Room 223)

12:15–13:00 **Miriam Steiner-Aviezer**, Child Survivor and Author  
*The Righteous Among the Nations in Nazi Occupied Yugoslavia*  
(Research Institute Lecture Hall-Room 223)

13:00-14:00 Lunch Break

14:00-16:00 **Eva Lutkiewicz**, Commemoration and Public Relations Division

Tour of the Learning Center, Children's Memorial, and Valley of the Communities  
(Gather at the Research Institute Lecture Hall-Room 223)

## **TUESDAY, 20 JUNE**

- 9:00-9:30      **Robert Rozett**, Director of the Yad Vashem Libraries  
*Introduction to the Yad Vashem Library – Its Aims and Collections*  
(Research Institute Lecture Hall-Room 223)
- 9:30-11:00      **Doron Avraham**, Director of Europe Department, and **Richelle Budd Caplan**, Director of International Relations – International School for Holocaust Studies  
*Yad Vashem's Educational Activities in Europe*  
(International School-Room 25)
- 11:00-11:30      Coffee Break
- 11:30-12:15      **Yehudit Inbar**, Director of the Museums Division  
*The Visual and the Museum Concept*  
(Museum Conference Room)
- 12:15-13:00      **Yehudit Shendar**, Senior Art Curator of the Museums Division  
*Art and the Historical Narrative*  
(Museum Conference Room)
- 13:00-13:30      **Eva Lutkiewicz**, Commemoration and Public Relations Division  
Tour of Art Gallery
- 13:30 – 14:30      Lunch Break
- 14:30- 15:15      **Haviva Peled-Carmeli**, Senior Artifacts Curator and Director of Artifacts Department  
*Personal Stories Behind the Artifacts*  
(Museum Conference Room)
- 15:15-15:30      Break
- 15:30-16:15      **Liat Ben Habib**, Director of Visual Center  
*Holocaust in Film*  
Followed by the screening of the film about the Sajmište Camp  
(Visual Center)
- Closing**
- 16:30              Wreath Laying Ceremony – Hall of Remembrance with the Ambassador of Serbia to Israel