

INTRODUCTION

European Workshops have been organized in Poland since 2006 and were a result of the obligation undertaken by the Polish Minister of Education, Mirosław Sawicki, during the European Seminar of Ministers of Education of the European Council that took place in May 4-6, 2005.

The theme and the programme of workshops refer to teaching about Remembrance in the context of the Holocaust Remembrance Day and prevention of crimes against humanity.

The first partners of the workshops were: the Council of Europe, the Ministry of National Education, the International Center for Education about Auschwitz and the Holocaust at the Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum and the Pedagogical University of Cracow.

So far seven European Workshops have been organized:

- Auschwitz – History and Symbolism, 10-15 September 2006
- Auschwitz — History, Memory and Education, 12-17 October 2007
- Auschwitz – Remembering for the Future. Teaching the Holocaust in the Authentic Memorial Site, 7-13 September 2008
- Auschwitz and the Holocaust in the Context of Teaching Remembrance in Europe, 21-25 September 2009
- Auschwitz and the Holocaust in the Context of Human Rights Education, 10-16 October 2010
- Teaching about the Holocaust: Integration of Site Visits in the pedagogical work, 8-14 October 2011
- Auschwitz – Memory and Education in the context of European Identity. Teaching about the Holocaust and annihilation of people with disabilities at the Nazi time, 26-31 October 2013

The workshop “History – Memory – Education. KL Auschwitz a year before liberation” is to be organized for teachers of history, literature and civic education. The programme of the Workshop is devoted to the history of KL Auschwitz in 1944 and directly connected with the 70th anniversary of transports and annihilation of Jews from Hungary, the liquidation of the so-called Roma Family Camp and transports of Poles after the Warsaw Uprising, which are, among others, commemorated this year. The Workshop will take place in Cracow and at the Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum in Oświęcim.

Teachers will be also acquainted with “European pack for visiting Auschwitz-Birkenau Memorial and Museum”, an English language publication for teachers and educators, who are planning a visit for young people to the Auschwitz Memorial Site. The publication is the result of several years of cooperation between experts from the International Center for Education about Auschwitz and the Holocaust at the Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum, the Council of Europe, and the National Ministry of Education of the Republic of Poland.

Saturday, 18 th October – Cracow PRE-WAR JEWISH LIFE	
	<i>Arrivals of participants, check in</i>
15.00-18.00	The Jewish Quarter of Kazimierz and the Old City of Cracow – guided study tour (optional)
19.30	<i>Dinner</i>
Sunday, 19 th October – Cracow/Oświęcim INTRODUCTION – REMEMBRANCE OF THE HOLOCAUST	
09.30-10.30	Official opening of the European Workshop at the Pedagogical University of Cracow: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative of the Pedagogical University of Cracow • Representative of the Council of Europe, • Director of the International Centre for Education about Auschwitz and the Holocaust • Chairman of the Board of the Memorial Foundation for the Victims of Auschwitz-Birkenau
10.30-12.00	Day of Remembrance of the Holocaust and for the Prevention of Crimes Against Humanity – presentation and discussion
12.00-12.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
12.30-14.00	Teaching about Auschwitz and the Holocaust in Poland: a historical perspective – lecture and discussion
14.00-15.30	<i>Lunch</i>
15.30-17.00	<i>Bus transfer to Oświęcim</i>
17.00-18.30	Jewish Life in Oświęcim before and after Auschwitz: educational context – workshop
19.00	<i>Transfer to the hotel, check in</i>
20.00	<i>Dinner</i>
Monday, 20 th October – Oświęcim SHOAH	
8.00	<i>Walk to the International Centre for Education about Auschwitz and the Holocaust (ICEAH)</i>
8.30-10.00	KL Auschwitz in the Nazi Program of the Mass Murder of European

	Jewry. Deportations of Jews from Hungary – <i>lecture and discussion</i>
10.00-10.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
10.30-13.30	Introduction to the History of KL Auschwitz – Specialized Study Tour of Auschwitz I Stammlager
13.30-14.30	<i>Lunch</i>
14.30-16.00	The Citizen Betrayed: A Remembrance of Holocaust Victims from Hungary, The Struggle and Martyrdom of the Poles from 1939 – <i>workshop at the exhibitions in blocks no. 18 and 15</i>
16.00-16.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
16.30-18.00	Deportations of Jews from Hungary in camp documents – <i>workshop</i>
19.00	<i>Dinner</i>
Tuesday, 21 st October – Oświęcim THE FATE OF THE POLES	
08.15	Transfer to Birkenau
8.30-12.00	The Authenticity of the Place: Remains, Relicts, Traces – Specialized Study Tour of the Camp Auschwitz II-Birkenau
12.00-13.00	<i>Lunch</i>
13.00-14.30	The Fate and Extermination of Poles in KL Auschwitz – <i>lecture and discussion</i>
14.30-15.00	<i>Coffee break</i>
15.00-18.00	Educational Implications of Visiting the Auschwitz Memorial Site: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Memory and Identity. Significance of Auschwitz in Historical Education – <i>presentation</i> 2. European Pack for Visiting Auschwitz-Birkenau Memorial and Museum – <i>presentation of the publication</i>
19.00	<i>Dinner</i>
Wednesday, 22 nd October – Oświęcim THE FATE OF THE ROMA	
08.30	<i>Walk to the ICEAH</i>
09.00-10.30	The fate of Sinti and Roma in KL Auschwitz – <i>lecture and discussion</i>
10.30-11.00	<i>Coffee break</i>

11.00-12.30	The Destruction of the European Roma – <i>workshop at the exhibition in block no. 13</i>
12.30-14.00	<i>Lunch and coffee break</i>
14.00-15.30	Questions about the Holocaust – The Reflection Room – <i>presentation of the new educational multimedia room in block no. 27</i>
15.30-16.30	Auschwitz Art and Museum Collections – <i>presentation in the Collection Department</i>
16.30-17.00	<i>Coffee break</i>
17.00-18.00	Evaluation of the Workshop – <i>participants' reflections</i>
19.00	<i>Farewell dinner</i>
Thursday, 23 rd October – Oświęcim	
8.30	<i>Departure to Cracow</i>
10.00-12.00	<i>Visit to the exhibition dedicated to the history of Cracow in the period 1939–1945 created in the administrative building of the former Oskar Schindler's Factory. (Optional)</i>