

## Expert Meeting and Workshop on Holocaust-related archives in Ukraine



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### **Purpose of the workshop:**

- To bring together specialists in Ukraine Holocaust history and its archival sources, and representatives of the key players in surveying Holocaust-related sources in Ukraine
- To unite knowledge about Holocaust-related collections in Ukraine
- To create a state of the art report on identified Holocaust-related collections in archives in Ukraine
- To map institutions that have yet to be surveyed, focussing first on state archives, oblast level, and institutional archives
- To bring together an overview of the different available sources of information (digital and other) so that the technical work packages in EHRI have a good understanding of the available infrastructure in the field.

Preparation of the workshop by EHRI working group (Dieter Pohl, Michal Czajka, Veerle Vanden Daelen and Masha Yonin), based on the EHRI overview and information provided by the meeting participants. Overviews will be distributed to all participants prior to the workshop.

### **Program of the workshop:**

Welcome and presentation of EHRI (Veerle Vanden Daelen) (9 am – 9.30 am)

State of the art knowledge about Holocaust-related sources in Ukraine (starting from the overview prepared by EHRI) (Michal Czajka, plus all participants) (9.30 am – 10.30 am)

- a. Which archives hold Holocaust-related collections?
- b. How many collections are we talking about?
- c. Are there archives or collections on the period of the Second World War that have remained closed to research?
- d. How complete are the surveys in the already identified collections?

Overview of projects and initiatives on Holocaust-related material in Ukraine  
(working methods and aims) (10.30 am – 12.30 am)

- Central archival administration and local institutions themselves
- Yad Vashem
- United States Holocaust Memorial Museum
- Project Judaica
- EHRI

State of the art archival infrastructure (all participants) (1.30 pm – 3.30 pm)

- a. Degree of digitalisation
- b. Use of metadata and standards
- c. Availability of archival descriptions on collection level (plus to what extent does a collection description help the Holocaust-researcher)
- d. Possibilities to accumulate relevant collection descriptions in a digital way
- e. Privacy legislation and implementation

Overview of current surveying activities and possible cooperation in these efforts (3.30 pm – 5.30 pm)

- a. By aggregators such as the Ukraine State Archival Administration, USHMM and YV
- b. By projects such as Project Judaica and EHRI
- c. By local initiatives (on a national level, or on the level of the archives)
- d. Copyright and crediting of sources
- e. Follow-up project or other initiatives on Holocaust-research in Ukraine

Closing remarks (5.30 pm – 6 pm)