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Program Schedule

MONDAY, JUNE 27 (KAS Academy, Berlin)

17:00-17:30  Welcome, opening remarks

17:30-18:45  “The Bloodlands, 1932-45: Context for Understanding
Ukrainian-Jewish-Polish Interaction during World War II”.
Timothy Snyder (Yale University)

19:00        Dinner

20:45        Transportation to Potsdam
9:00-10:30 Session 1—The First Stages of Violence: From Molotov-Ribbentrop to Barbarossa (NKVD Murders and 1941 Pogroms)

Vladislav Hrynevych (Kyiv-Mohyla Academy), on the Soviet occupation

Jeffrey Kopstein (University of Toronto), on the pogroms

1. How did Jews, Poles, and Ukrainians interact with Soviet authorities during the Soviet occupation of eastern Poland (western Ukraine) and Bukovina? What was Soviet policy toward Jewish refugees and local Jews? What was the scale of Soviet policy toward and repression of the Polish and Ukrainian (non-Jewish) local population?

2. What impact did Stalinism and the Holodomor (Great Famine) have on the views of western Ukrainians regarding Jews, and their views and expectations regarding Germans and Germany? Were responses to the arrival of German forces different in eastern Ukraine?

3. Were the July 1941 anti-Jewish pogroms in western Ukraine caused by rage over the Soviet murder of Ukrainian prisoners and by Jewish participation in Soviet organs of power (including the NKVD)? What does the actual record tell of the origins, nature and extent of such participation, and the impact of such participation and representation thereof on attitudes?

4. What was the nature and impact of Nazi propaganda in the period leading up to the pogroms and the Shoah in establishing or exploiting the representation of Jews as allies or agents of Bolshevism/Communist rule?

5. To what extent did the pre-war ideologies of the major Ukrainian political movements in western Ukraine and in the European diaspora contribute to (prepare the ground for) these events? How important were preceding German-Ukrainian contacts?

6. To what extent were the events the result of planning and organization, and/or participation, by political actors, German and/or Ukrainian?

10:30-10:45 Coffee Break
10:45-12:15 Session 2—Evidentiary Sources (Written, Oral and Other): Their Credibility and Use

Vadim Altskan (U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington), on use of archival sources for historical research vs. for legal purposes, and credibility of Soviet archival material

Patrick Desbois and Andrej Umansky (Yahad-in Unum, Paris), on oral testimony

1. What are the evidentiary sources for the history of this period, and for attribution of responsibility or agency for crimes perpetrated during the period? What are the differences in the use of these sources for historical research and for legal purposes respectively?

2. What credibility may be lent to these sources? To what extent were testimonies forced and documents falsified or altered by Soviet authorities?

3. Access to archives: How significant are recently opened archives to our understanding of this period? What has been the impact of selective access or continued denial of access to relevant archives?

4. In what ways do oral testimonies, collected decades after the events, contribute to our understanding of this period? What are the methodological challenges posed by these sources?

12:15-13:30 Lunch

13:30-15:00 Session 3—The Destruction of the Jews (the Shoah) on the Territory of Ukraine

Wendy Lower (Towson University, Maryland and Ludwigs-Maximilians-Universität, Munich), on German-occupied territories

Charles King (Georgetown University, Washington), on Romanian/Hungarian-occupied territories

1. What is the relationship between the July 1941 violence in German-occupied Galicia and the Shoah?

2. How was the Shoah carried out in the different parts of the territory of Ukraine – in what stages and under whose auspices (central and eastern Ukraine, Kyiv region, western Ukraine/Galicia, Romanian-occupied regions, Transcarpathia)?

3. Was Nazi policy and German military presence a precondition for mass killings? To what extent were pogroms and/or mass killings carried out, particularly in rural areas, without the presence of external occupiers (German, Romanian, Hungarian)?
4. What was the reaction to the Shoah on the territory of Ukraine on the part of ethnic Ukrainian, Polish, Romanian, Crimean Tatar, and other communities? [Note: Specific operational behaviours are treated in Sessions 5, 6 and 7 below.]

5. What was the nature and impact of the Soviet evacuation of large numbers of its citizens (including Jews, in particular from urban centers) to the eastern regions of the Soviet Union?

15:00-15:20 Coffee Break

15:20-16:20 Tour of The Cecilienhof

16:30-18:00 Session 4 — Civilian and POW Deaths

Timothy Snyder (Yale University), on civilian and POW deaths

Karel Berkhoff (NIOD Institute for War, Holocaust and Genocide Studies of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences, Amsterdam), on Babi Yar

1. The scale of the killing: how many civilians and POWs (Jews, Poles, Ukrainians and others) perished on the territory of Ukraine between 1939 and 1945? (i.e., deliberate, targeted killings?)

2. What is the record of mass starvation, “collateral” damage, and indiscriminate killings of non-combatants during the war? (i.e., non-premeditated/calculated killings?)

3. Babi Yar (Babyn Yar): What do we know about the number of victims, their ethnic background, and the chronology and conditions of their murder during the entire occupation of Kyiv, 1941-1943?

4. What do we know about German executions of Ukrainian nationalists?

5. What were the politics and policies of punishment for resistance?

6. What is the record of the treatment of POWs under German and Soviet occupation?

7. What impact did the experience of double or triple occupation have on the nature and scale of the killings?

18:45 Dinner
9:00-10:30  Session 5—Collaboration

Frank Golczewski (University of Hamburg)

Zvi Gitelman (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor)

1. The term “collaboration” is applied to a range of behaviors. Are there more meaningful terms to describe acts that range from volunteering to coercion, taking into account the special circumstances and variety of roles under wartime conditions?

2. Under what circumstances and with what motivations did members of various ethnicities (Ukrainian and other) come to serve in the German-controlled Auxiliary Police and other police units? What is known about the conditions of recruitment and the role of these police units in the Shoah?

3. Under what circumstances and with what motivations did members of various ethnicities (Ukrainian and other) come to serve in clearing ghettos and as guards at Treblinka, Belzec, and Sobibor?

4. How should one characterize the roles and behaviours of the Jewish communal authorities and the Jewish police under Nazi/German command?

5. What was the nature of collaboration and cooperation with the Soviet NKVD and regime in those parts of prewar Poland that had large Ukrainian populations? How much evidence is there of double collaboration – with the Soviet and German regimes?

10:30-10:45  Coffee Break

10:45-12:15  Session 6—Collaboration and/or Resistance

John-Paul Himka (University of Alberta)

Volodymyr V’iatrovych (former Director, State Archive of Security Service of Ukraine)

1. What does the historical record establish as to the role of OUN and UPA in relation to resistance and collaboration, murder of Jews, and the 1943 massacre of Poles in Volhynia?

2. How did the OUN conceive of the establishment of an independent Ukrainian state within the reality of Nazi power (the German “new order”)? Did this include the possibility of German puppet state status, as was the case in Croatia or Slovakia?
3. How did the OUN’s positions with regard to the Nazis/Germans, Jews, and other minorities evolve during the war?

4. To what extent did local administrations cooperate with the German occupation in central and eastern Ukraine between 1941-1944?

5. What were Jewish responses and attitudes to Soviet rule during the war? How were Jews treated by the Soviets?

12:15-13:15 Lunch

13:15-14:45 Session 7—Sheltering Jews

Wolf Moskovich (Professor Emeritus, Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

Andrii Krawchuk (University of Sudbury, Canada)

1. What does the historical record tell us about the extent, and special cases, of ethnic Ukrainians hiding or otherwise helping Jews during the War, and about the attendant risks, motivations and circumstances? What were the pressures and motivations that moved others to denounce Jews?

2. What are the problematics of the term “Righteous Among the Nations”?

3. The case of Metropolitan Andrei Sheptyts’kyi

14:45-15:00 Coffee Break

15:00-16:30 Session 8—Armed Formations, Insurgency and Counter-Insurgency, 1943-1947

Olesya Khromeychuk (University College London), on the Diviziia

Alexander Gogun (University of Potsdam), on the Insurgency and Counter-insurgency

1. Under what circumstances and with what motivations did ethnic Ukrainians and members of other local populations come to serve in armed formations under Nazi/German military command, specifically, the Nachtigall Battalion and the Galician Waffen-SS Division (Divizija)?
2. What is known about the extent to which such armed formations targeted civilians?

3. To what extent did non-Communist Ukrainian forces and movements engage in anti-German military and partisan actions?

4. How did Soviet military forces and the NKVD pacify Ukraine?

5. What was the role and fate of the OUN and UPA as an insurrectionary movement?

6. Was there a third path between Hitler and Stalin? If so, who represented it?

7. The war and its aftermath: What do we know about the immediate postwar experience with regard to (a) Soviet reprisals against civilians; (b) ethnic cleansing of Poles; (c) deportations to Siberia; (d) Soviet treatment of POWs; and (e) treatment of returning Jews by the local population?

8. What were Soviet and NKVD policies and actions regarding Jews and ethnic Ukrainians during this period?

9. What is known about anti-Jewish attacks and pogroms in territories where the Soviet Union re-established control between 1943 and 1946?

16:45 Transportation to Berlin, KAS Academy

18:00-19:30 Commemoration Ceremony
   Keynote address by Dr. Norbert Lammert, President of the Bundestag
   Addresses by representatives of the President of Ukraine, UJE, KAS, and Jewish world
   Musical Presentation

20:15 Transportation to Potsdam

21:30 Dinner
THURSDAY, JUNE 30  (Berlin, KAS Academy)

9:00  Transportation to Berlin

10:15-11:15  Working toward a Shared Historical Narrative: Review and Recommendations

Altı Rodal and Adrian Karatnycky  (UJE Co-Directors) – 10 min presentations, followed by roundtable discussion

11:15-11:30  Coffee Break

11:30-13:00  Concluding Session: Responsibility, Acknowledgment, Understanding

Wilfried Jilge  (Berlin)

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Followed by roundtable discussion

1. Was the experience, on the territory of Ukraine, of persecution, of depredations and killing, of cooption and coercion, of saving or exposing Jews, similar to or in significant respects different from that in other territories under Nazi/German sway?

2. How should we understand and discuss the massive suffering of civilian non-Jews under the German occupation?

3. Who bears ultimate responsibility for the crimes of the period?

4. How should the massive suffering and injustice under Soviet rule be acknowledged and memorialized?

5. How should we deal with the problem of unconsecrated Jewish and non-Jewish mass graves? Are there adequate memorials for the Jewish and non-Jewish victims of the War, of Hitler, and of Stalin? What is the responsibility of governments, and of communities, in such memorializing?
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