International Workshop

Holocaust Survivors in their Countries of Resettlement: Space, Memories and Identities

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Monday, January 29, 2007
09:30-10:00 Greetings and Introductory Remarks
Pierre de MIROSCHIDIL, Director, Centre de recherche français de Jerusalem
Simha GOLDIN, Head, The Goldstein-Goren Diaspora Research Center, Tel-Aviv University
Dalia OFER, Head, The Avraham Harman Institute of Contemporary Jewry, Introductory Remarks

10:00-11:30 – Session 1
Holocaust Survivors in Moshavim and Agricultural Settlements in the US (A)
Micha BALE, The Jewish Agency, USA, Holocaust Survivors in Kibbutzim – Resettling with Unsettled Memories
Ada SCHEIN, Yad Vashem, “Build Your Home Soon”: The Absorption of Holocaust Survivors in the Israeli Rural Settlements
Respondents: Dalia OFER, Hagit LAVSKY

11:30-12:00 – Coffee break

12:00-13:00 – Session 2
Holocaust Survivors in Moshavim and Agricultural Settlements in the US (B)
Françoise (Simcha) OUZAN, Centre de recherche français de Jerusalem and the Goldstein-Goren Research Center, Tel-Aviv University, Replanting Survivors’ Lives on American Farms: the Blossoming of New Identities
Respondents: Eli LEDERHENDLER, Hagit LAVSKY

13:00-14:30 – Lunch break

14:30-17:00 – Session 3
Children and Youth Survivors
Dalia OFER, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Visibility: Body and Soul; Youth Aliya in Palestine
Katy HAZAN, Organisation de secours aux enfants, France, Welcoming the Children of Buchenwald by OSE and their Reinsertion
Joanna MICHIC, The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, Who am I? Jewish Children’s Search for Identity in Post-War Poland
Respondents: Judy BAUMEL-SCHWARTZ, Shilomo BARGIL, Daniel BLATMAN

Tuesday, January 30, 2007
09:00-11:15 – Session 4
The Survivor’s Rehabilitation Process – Communal and Political Aspects
David WEINBERG, Wayne State University, USA, The Role of the Religious and Educational Reform in the Revival of the Jewish Communities of Western Europe after World War II
Jean Marc DREYFUS, German Historical Institute, Paris, The French Republic and Administration Facing the Jews, 1944-1953
Respondents: Zeev MANKOWITZ, Haim AVNI

11:15-11:45 – Coffee break

11:45-14:00 – Session 5
Identity of Holocaust Survivors
Nathalie ZAJJE, Université de Paris VIII, France, The Psychosocial Treatments of Holocaust Survivors in the Main Countries of Resettlement, A Conceptual Reflection
Judy BAUMEL-SCHWARTZ, Bar-Ilan University, Where did I Come from, Where am I Going, and who am I? Personal and Gendered Identity among Women of the She’erit HaPlethah
Sharon COHEN-KANGISSER, University of Sydney, Australia, Why We Chose to Live at the End of the World: Holocaust Survivors in Australia
Respondents: Dalia OFER, Françoise (Simcha) OUZAN

14:00-15:00 – Lunch break

15:00-16:30 – Session 6
General Perspectives and Tentative Conclusions
Sergio DELLA PERGOLA, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Health Problems and Socioeconomic Neediness among Shoah Survivors in Israel
Hannah YABLONEK, Ben-Gurion University, Survivors of the Holocaust in Israel: Some Wrapping Up Conclusions
Respondents: Hagit LAVSKY, Zeev MANKOWITZ

16:30 – Concluding Remarks: Françoise (Simcha) OUZAN

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