

*Preliminary Program*

**Symposium 2023 (30.03.-31.03.2023):**  
***Status quo and quo vadis? New Research on the  
Recognition and Compensation of Nazi Injustice in  
Comparative Perspective***

**Day 1: Thursday, March 30 2023**

09:00 AM - 09:15 AM  
*Arrival and Registration*

09:15 AM  
Welcoming Words: Prof. Dr. Tanja Penter, Head of the Research Center on Antigypsyism and Prof. Dr. Werner Arnold, Rector of the University of Jewish Studies

09:30 AM  
Opening Remarks: Verena Meier, Joey Rauschenberger, Philipp Zschommler

09:45 AM  
Keynote-Lecture: Prof. Dr. Constantin Goschler, Gerda Henkel Visiting Professor, London

10:45 AM  
*Coffee Break*

**11:15 AM**  
**Panel 1: Compensation of Marginalized German Groups (Chair: Wolfgang Schneider)**

Jens Kolata, Fritz Bauer Institute, Frankfurt (Main): *Reason for Rejection: "Asocial". The Compensation Practice towards those Affected by the Gestapo's "Aktion Arbeitsscheu Reich" Wave of Arrests in Württemberg and Hohenzollern*

Claire Topsom, Royal Holloway University: *The 'Silence' Surrounding Juvenile 'Asocials' post World War II*

Prof. Dr. Julia Roos, Indiana University: *Forgotten Victims of the National Socialist Forced Sterilization Policy: The German Descendants of French Colonial Soldiers*

*Research Center on Antigypsyism at Ruprecht-Karls-University Heidelberg  
Heidelberg University of Jewish Studies*

Dr. Dina von Sponeck, Documentation and Cultural Center of German Sinti and Roma, Heidelberg: *Current practices for restitution and compensation assistance for Sinti and Roma*

*12:45 PM  
Lunch*

**01:45 PM**  
**Panel 2: Compensation for Nazi Medical Crimes (Chair: Dr. Sarah Kleinmann)**

Tiarra Cooper, University of Massachusetts Amherst: *Postwar Claims of Reproductive Damage in Comparative Perspective*

Dr. Borbála Klacsmann, University College Dublin: *“She Asks for Aid due to Her Health Damage” – The Female Victims of Medical Experiments and their Compensation Claims*

Prof. Dr. Paul Weindling, Oxford Brookes University: *The Mythology of Compensation. The Non-compensation of Mengele Twins and Sinti and Roma Victims of Coerced Medical Experiments*

*03:45 PM  
Coffee Break*

**04:15 PM**  
**Panel 3: Compensation Struggles in East Central Europe (Chair: Paula Simon)**

Sarah Grandke, University Regensburg: *Blank Space Displaced Persons. Political Concentration Camp Prisoners from Eastern Europe, their Struggle and (Non)Compensation for Nazi Injustice*

Dr. Petre Matei, George Baritiu History Institute of the Romanian Academy, Cluj-Napoca: *The Roma Discourse on the Holocaust compensation in 1980s Communist Romania*

Dr. Maryna Dubyk, Arolsen Archives: *Ukrainische Besonderheiten der Entschädigung und sogenannte “Abgelehnte”*

*06:00 PM  
Dinner*

**Day 2: Friday, March 31 2023**

**09:15 AM**

**Panel 4: Judiciary and “Wiedergutmachung” (Chair: Rabbi Prof. Dr. Birgit Klein)**

Dr. des. Friederike Apelt, David Paul, Wolfenbüttel Prison Memorial: *„Eternal prisoners?“ Compensation for Convicts during the Nazi Period and its Individual and Social Consequences*

Magdalena Gebhart, Max-Planck-Institute für Legal History und Legal Theory: *Nothing Exceptional? Historical Assumptions in Compensation for Suicide Cases, 1953 – 1959*

Philipp Dinkelaker, European University Viadrina Frankfurt (Oder): *Law without Law. Restitution of Nazi Looted Property after 1945*

10:45 AM

*Coffee Break*

**11:15 AM**

**Panel 5: Case Studies of Restitution (Chair: Prof. Dr. Johannes Heil)**

Anne Rothfeld, American University, Washington DC: *Double Expropriation of Stolen Property. United Restitution Organization, Postwar Claimants, and the Luxembourg Agreements*

Mirjam Schnorr, Fritz Bauer Institute: *‘Aryanised’ and compensated? On the Restitution of Seized ‘Jewish Property’ in Frankfurt am Main after 1945*

Dr. Jana Stoklasa, Leibniz University Hannover: *Blindness to the Past in Restitution Proceedings for Labours’ Organizations in the Young Federal Republic of Germany*

Dr. Karola Fings, Research Center on Antigypsyism: *An Unmeasured Loss. Cultural Assets of German Sinti and Roma*

01:15 PM

*Lunch*

**02:15 PM**

**Panel 6: Ad fontes: Potentials and Accessibility of the Sources (Chair: Dr. Maria Bogdan)**

Lara Raabe, Research Center on Antigypsyism: *Romani Voices in West Berlin Restitution Proceedings. On the Potential of Compensation Files*

Théophile Leroy, School for Advanced Studies in the Social Sciences, Paris: *"We were Summoned Family by Family". Documenting the Sinti and Roma Genocide through German post-war Reparation Files. A Case Study on the Upper Rhine Area*

Jörn Petrick, Federal Archives Koblenz: *New Opportunities for New Research - The Online-Portal "Compensation of National Socialist Injustice" in the Archive Portal-D*

Nastasja Pilz, State Archives of Baden-Württemberg: *Enabling Access through New Approaches of Digitization, Description and Indexing. A Pilot Project on Compensation in the State Archives of Baden-Württemberg*

*04:15 PM*

*Coffee Break*

*04:45 PM*

Closing Remarks by the Conference Organizers and Final Discussion

*05:30 PM*

*Walk to History Department*

*06:00 PM*

Public lecture (in German) by Dr. Tetiana Pastushenko, Eastern European History Institute at the Department of History of the Ruprecht-Karls-University Heidelberg: *Help for Survivors of Nazi Persecution in Ukraine in the Current War*