



Exploring Refugee Data

Hands-on Workshop on Refugees and Digital Humanities

Prague, November 12-13, 2018

Programme



Sunday, November 11

20.00: Welcome event

Hotel Troja, Trojská 1, Prague 8 (presenters and chairs only)

Monday, November 12

venue: Technology Centre, Academy of Sciences, Ve Struhách 1076/27, Prague 6

9.30 – 10.00	Opening Comments	Rudolf Kučera (Prague) Michal Frankl (Prague, Vienna)
		Antoine Burgard (Manchester) Mapping uncertainty: Reconstructing the trajectories of young Holocaust survivors from wartime Europe to postwar Canada
10.00 – 11.30	Trajectories of flight overseas	Rebecca Erbelding (Washington, DC) "The last boat": The impact of the encroaching war on refugee immigration to the United States, 1938-1941
		Sara Halpern (Columbus, OH) The 'hard core' and 'hard-hard core' of Shanghai: Exploring the personal data of forced Jewish repatriates in 1950
11.30 - 11.45	Coffee Break	
		Giles Bennett (Munich), Michael Bryant (London) The EHRI project
11.45 – 12.30	European Holocaust Research Infrastructure and refugee history	Francesco Gelati (Brussels) Extracting refugee-related archival descriptions in the EHRI Portal
		Wolfgang Schellenbacher (Prague, Vienna) The EHRI Document Blog - "BeGrenzte Flucht"
12.30 – 13.00	Lunch Break	
13.00 - 14.30	Hands-on Session	
14.30 – 16.15	Government immigration and refugee files	Aneta Plzáková (Prague) / Benjamin Frommer (Evanston, IL) The Terezín Album project and refugee data
		Laurence Schram (Mechelen) Kazerne Dossin: a resource center to study trajectories of Jewish refugees?

	Conceptualising mobility	Anne Knowles, Justus Hillebrand (Orono, ME) Mapping movement to and from ghettos
16.15 – 16.30	Coffee Break	
16.30 – 17.30	Decoding statistics and categorisations	Anne Schult (New York) Counting displaced persons, defining refugees: Sir John Hope Simpson's refugee survey of interwar Europe
		Discussion on data statistics and categorisations chair: <i>Daniel Cohen</i> (<i>Vienna</i>)

19.30: Working dinner

Restaurant Mistral, Valentinská 11, Prague 1 (presenters and chairs only)

Tuesday, November 13

venue: Masaryk Institute and Archives of the Czech Academy of Sciences Gabčíkova 2362/10, Prague 8

09.00 - 10.00	Flight trajectories I	Claire Zalc, Thomas Chopard (Paris) How to reconstruct the trajectories of 3000 Polish- Jewish refugees? Three methodological issues
		Miriam Schulz (New York) Bind up (and digitize) the message: Polish-Jewish refugees and the Vilna committee, 1939–1940
10.00 – 10.10	Coffee Break	
10.10 - 11.10	Flight trajectories II	Nicoletta Fotinos Tracing jewish medical refugees across sources around the globe – The Curious case of escape artist Dr. Gisella Perl Kinga Frojimovics (Vienna) Jewish refugees in the hospitals of the Jewish Community of Pest in 1938-1944
11.10 – 11.20	Coffee Break	
11.20 – 12.20	Complex data and refugee research	Sebastian Bondzio, Lukas Hennies (Osnabrück) People on the Move – Revisiting events and narratives of the European refugee crisis (1930s- 1950s)

		Ron Coleman, Michael Levy, Joshua Zampetti (Washington, DC), Michal Frankl (Prague, Vienna) Refugee case files as new sources and data sets
12.20 - 12.50	Lunch Break	
12.50 – 14.00	Hands-on Session	
14.00 - 15.30		Alexandra Kramen (Worcester, MA) Justice pursued: Jewish survivors' struggle for post-Holocaust justice in displaced persons camp Föhrenwald, 1945-1957
	Refugees in post-war Europe	Christian Groh (Bad Arolsen) The digitized collection of the "Care and Maintenance"-files of the IRO. Chances and limitations of (online) research in digital historiography
		Jakub Bronec (Luxembourg) Cultural and educational activities of the Jewish minorities in Czechoslovakia and Luxembourg (1945-89)
15.30 – 15.45	Coffee Break	
15.45 - 16.45	Refugee data and education	Jakub Mlynář (Prague) Collective memory as an interactional practice: The case of the Czech-Jewish experience in Switzerland during the WWII period
		Tanja Lenuweit (Berlin) We Refugees. Transnational digital research and education center on refugees
16.45 – 17.30	Concluding remarks and discussion	

The workshop is open to the public, but participants who aren't speakers or chairs are kindly asked to register prior to the workshop at frankl@mua.cas.cz.

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