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#RemembranceResponsibilityThe Future / November 9th Vilnius



## International Conference

### #RemembranceResponsibilityFuture

November 9th, 2017, Vilnius

Novotel Vilnius Centre, Gedimino pr. 16

## PROGRAMM

9.00 – 9.30

**Participants registration**

9.30 - 10.45

**Opening session.**

**Moderator:** Renaldas Vaisbrodas, Executive Director, Lithuanian (Litvak) Jewish Community

**Welcome words:**

Faina Kukliansky, Chairwoman of Lithuanian (Litvak) Jewish Community  
Ambassador Anne Hall, U.S. Embassy  
Efrat Hochstetler, Israel Embassy  
Ambassador Angelika Viets, German Embassy

10.45 – 11.30

**Keynote speech**

**A warning from history: the origins and evolution of anti-Semitism in Lithuania**

Saulius Sužiedelis, Professor Emeritus of History, Millersville University of Pennsylvania

11.30-11.45

**Coffee break**

11.45-13.00

**First session.**

**Fundamental questions about historical memory in Eastern Europe**

**Moderator** – Arnoldas Pranckevicius, head of EU Commission's mission in Vilnius

**Legacy of WW2 In Lithuania today: Bridging the Archipelago of Memory**

Violeta Davoliūtė, Vilnius University



**Anti-Semitism in Europe: from blood legends to World Zionists Conspiracy**

Vygantas Vareikis, Klaipeda University

**From Philosemitism to Anti-Semitism: Jonas Sliupas, Refugees, and the Holocaust**

Charles Perrin, Ph.D., Visiting Fulbright Scholar, Vytautas Magnus University

**Lithuanian Antisemitism in 1930s**

Linus Venclauskas, Vytautas Magnus University, Sugihara Diplomats for Life foundation

13.00-13.45

**Lunch**

13.45-15.00

**Second session.**

**Tackling issue of anti-Semitic, roma-fobic and xenophobic manifestations**

**Moderator:** Dovilė Masalskienė, Women issues Information Center

**European Commission against Racism and Intolerance actions against antisemitism is a fight for equality, non-discrimination, and social inclusion**

Sarunas Liekis, the Dean of the Political Science and Diplomacy Faculty at VDU

**Analysis of the results of the Roma and Jewish community group discussions (focus groups)**

Rūta Reches, Jewish Community of Lithuania

**Romofobia. Analysis of existing sources**

Svetlana Novopolskaja, Roma Community Centre

15.00-15.15

**Coffee break**

15.15-17.00

**Third session.**

**Panel discussion with representatives from communities**

**Moderator** - Rūta Kupetytė, journalist, Lithuanian National radio

**Opening speech**

**Jewish life and anti-Semitism manifestations in Finland**

Rony Smolar, writer, Board member of Jewish Community in Finland

**Panel discussion participants:**

Vida Montvydaitė, Director, Department of Ethnic Minorities

Ruth Reches, researcher, Jewish Community of Lithuania

Svetlana Novopolskaja, Roma Community Centre

Isvanas Kvik, Chair of Lithuanian Roma Community

17.00-18.00

**Informal discussion**

