



***“Wer ist Walter? Resistance against Nazism in Europe”  
1st conference, Berlin, 14 - 16 May 2023***

Organised by crossborder factory (Berlin), History Museum of Bosnia and Herzegovina (Sarajevo),  
Centre international de formation européenne (Nice) and Jasenovac Memorial Site,  
in cooperation with the Centre Marc Bloch (Berlin),  
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**Program**

**Sunday, 14th May:**

Arrival of the participants in Berlin

- 19:00            **Projection of the movie “Valter brani Sarajevo /Walter defends Sarajevo”** (OV  
with English subtitles)  
with introduction-lecture by Boris Buden (European Institute for Progressive Cultural Policies,  
Vienna / Berlin): **“Valter out of memory”**  
Location: Kino Central, Rosenthaler Str. 39, Berlin-Mitte

**Monday, 15th May:**

Conference venue:

Centre Marc Bloch, Friedrichstraße 191, Berlin Mitte (7th floor, Room Germaine Tillion)

- 9:00 - 9:30        Arrival and registration of participants at the conference venue
- 9:30 - 10:00      Greeting words by Frank Morawietz (crossborder factory), Elma Hašimbegović (History  
Museum of Bosnia and Herzegovina) and Jakob Vogel (Centre Marc Bloch)  
Presentation of the “Wer ist Walter?”-project and of the conference program
- 10:00 - 11:00    **“Marc Bloch, Germaine Tillion, Vladimir Perić: Three histories of resistance in  
Europe or one common European history?”**  
Opening reflections by Nicolas Moll (crossborder factory), followed by discussion  
Introduced and moderated by Fabien Théofilakis (Centre Marc Bloch)
- 11:00 - 11:30    Coffee break

11:30 - 13:00 **Panel 1: “Where to resist? Mountains, cities, villages, camps – different spaces of resistance”**

Introduced and moderated by Ivo Pejaković (Jasenovac Memorial Site, HR)

Resistance and mountain maquis: the Alps, Vercors, Nice  
Yvan Gastaut  
University of Côte d’Azur, Nice, F

Partisan movement in Bosnia and Herzegovina during the Second World War - a comparison of the city and the villages  
Dino Dupanović  
Museum of the Una-Sana Canton, Bihać, BiH

Roma and Sinti resistance in KL Auschwitz-Birkenau during World War II  
Justyna Matkowska  
University of Albany, USA

Resistance with words and weapons – Michał Borwicz and the resistance in the Lviv-Janowska camp  
Markus Roth  
Fritz Bauer Institute, Frankfurt am Main, D

13:00 Lunch break

14:45 - 16:00 **Panel 2: “A secondary role? The place of women in resistance”**

Introduced and moderated by Dagmar Lieske (German Resistance Memorial, Berlin, D)

A ring of invisibility - Wives and the resistance against National Socialism  
Juliane Kucharzewski  
University of Potsdam, D

Feminist, anti-fascist, Europeanist and co-founder of the largest French resistance movement: Berty Albrecht (1893-1943)  
Robert Belot  
Jean Monnet University, Saint-Étienne, F

“Responsibility, loyalty and partisanship are at the highest level”: Women of the unconquered city (Zagreb)  
Ana Lovreković  
Independent researcher, Zagreb, HR

16:00 - 16:30 Coffee break

16:30 - 18:00 **Panel 3: “A transnational European space of resistance? Crossborder trajectories of resistance”**

Introduced and moderated by Sanja Horvatinčić (Institute of Art History, Zagreb, HR)

Brigadistas, Maquis, Partisans: Yugoslav veterans of the Spanish Civil War in resistance movements across Europe  
Vladan Vukliš  
Archives of the Republic of Srpska, Banja Luka, BiH

Two crossed trajectories: Irène Roman-Giron and Raymond Schmittlein  
Corine Defrance  
Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, Paris, F

Transnational trajectories of civil solidarity, armed resistance, and their post-war legacies between north-west Italy and Yugoslavia  
Alfredo Sasso  
University of Florence, I

Youth-Aliyah: Two women, a European network and more than 20.000 children rescued from Nazi-Persecution and the Shoah until 1945

Susanne Urban  
Office on Research and Information on Antisemitism in Hessen (RIAS), Marburg, D

The partisan resistance goes global: Yugoslav veterans and transnational frameworks of memory

Jelena Đureinović  
University of Vienna, A

18:00 - 18:15 Summary of the day

### **Tuesday, 16th May:**

9:00 - 12:00 Visit of the German Resistance Memorial (only for registered participants)  
Stauffenbergstraße 13, 10785 Berlin

9:00 - 10:00 Parallel guided visits  
a) Permanent exhibition “Resistance against National Socialism”, with Tim Lucht  
b) Memorial “Silent Heroes”, with Uta Fröhlich

10:00 - 11:00 Time for individual exploration

11:00 - 12:00 Discussion and exchange about the exhibitions /visits

12:30 Return to the Centre Marc Bloch and lunch break

14:15 - 15:45 **Panel 4: “The good guys and the bad guys? Grey zones of resistance and collaboration”**

Introduced and moderated by Robert Parzer (Foundation Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe, Berlin, D)

SS-Men against Nazism? The controversial case of the mutiny in Villefranche-de-Rouergue (17 September 1943)

Xavier Bougarel  
Center for Turkish, Ottoman, Balkan and Central Asian Studies, Paris, F

Collaboration and resistance in the borderlands: The Dalmatian and Montenegrin Chetniks in comparison

Stevan Bozanich  
University of Lethbridge, CA

The Langres section of Gendarmerie and resistance in Haute-Marne (France, 1944): convictions, tensions, and paradoxes

Marius Hutinet  
University of Paris 1  
Panthéon-Sorbonne, F

15:45 - 16:15 Coffee break

- 16:15 - 17:30 **Presenting and discussing new publications about anti-NS / antifascist resistance in Europe**, with Ismee Tames (University of Utrecht, NIOD Institute for War, Amsterdam, NL), Robert Belot (Jean Monnet University, Saint-Étienne, F) and John Paul Newman (Maynooth University, IRL)
- “Fighters across frontiers. Transnational resistance in Europe, 1938-1948”, ed. by Robert Gildea and Ismee Tames (2020)
  - “Visions of Europe in the Resistance. Figures, Projects, Networks, Ideals”, ed. by Robert Belot and Daniela Preda (2022)
  - “Anti-Axis Resistance in Southeastern Europe, 1940-1944. Forms and Varieties”, ed. by John Paul Newman, Ljubinka Škodrić, and Rade Ristanović (2023)
- 17:30 - 18:00 Feedback about the conference  
Conclusions and perspectives
- 19:00 **“Who cares about resistance today? Perspectives from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, France and Germany” – Public discussion, followed by reception**  
with Elma Hašimbegović (History Museum of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Sarajevo, BiH), Hrvoje Klasić (University of Zagreb, HR), Christine Müller-Botsch (German Resistance Memorial, Berlin, D) and Matthias Waechter (Centre international de formation européenne, Nice, F).  
Moderation by Nicolas Moll (crossborder factory, Sarajevo/Berlin, BiH/D)



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