Preliminary Programme

The Trial of Adolf Eichmann: Retrospect and Prospect

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Conference Co-Chairs:

Michael Marrus (University of Toronto), Doris Bergen (University of Toronto), Richard Wetzel (German Historical Institute, Washington D.C.)

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Saturday Evening

Welcome from Doris Bergen and Michael Marrus, Chancellor Rose and Ray Wolfe Professor and Professor Emeritus of Holocaust Studies, University of Toronto; and from Richard Wetzel, GHI, Washington, D.C.

Film presentation, hosted by the Sarah and Chaim Neuberger Centre for Holocaust Education and Remembrance, Toronto

Discussion to follow moderated by Mira Goldfarb, Executive Director, Neuberger Centre
Sunday

Saturday 9:00 am

The Eichmann Trial, As It Happened

Chair: Jeffrey Kopstein (Centre for Jewish Studies, University of Toronto)

Laura Jockusch (Hebrew University/Ben-Gurion University of Negev), Prosecuting “Crimes Against the Jewish People”: The Eichmann Trial and the History of a Legal Concept

Susan Slyomovics (UCLA), Leo Hurwitz, Director of the Eichmann Trial Filming

Deborah Lipstadt (Emory), The Impact of the Eichmann Trial on the American Jewish Community

Discussant: Tomaz Jardim (Ryerson University, Toronto)

Saturday 11:00 am

Adolf Eichmann

Chair: Ronald Beiner (University of Toronto)

Michael Berkowitz (University College London), Revisiting Eichmann and Zionism: Strange Encounters and their Afterlives

David Cesarani (Royal Holloway College, University of London), Eichmann: Self-Made Man or Monster?

Fabien Théofilakis (University of Paris Ouest Nanterre), Eichmann’s Notes Kept during the Trial

James E. Waller (Keene State College), Coming to Terms with the “Banality of Evil”: Implications of the Eichmann Trial for Social Scientific Research on Perpetrator Behavior

Discussant: Rebecca Wittmann (University of Toronto Mississauga)

Lunch
Sunday 2:30 pm

*The Trial and the Law: Universal Jurisdiction and Criminal Responsibility*

Chair: Ed Morgan (University of Toronto)

Devin Pendas (Boston College), *The Eichmann Trial in Law and Memory*

William Schabas (Middlesex University, London), *The Contribution of the Eichmann Trial to International Law*

Leora Bilsky (Tel Aviv University) *The Eichmann Trial and International Law*

Neha Jain (Georgetown University Law Center), *The Eichmann Trial and the Continuing Quest for Coherent Modes of Criminal Responsibility*

Discussant: Michael Marrus (University of Toronto)

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Monday

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*Impact on Israel*

Chair: Sara Horowitz (York University)

Hanna Yablonka (Ben-Gurion University of Negev), *The Eichmann Trial Revisited: Impact and Heritage*

Boaz Cohen (Western Galilee College Akko), *The Eichmann Trial’s Impact Reconsidered*

Dominique Trimbur (French Research Center, Jerusalem), *The Eichmann Trial and the Relations between the Federal Republic of Germany and Israel: A Positive or Negative Influence?*

Roni Stauber (Tel Aviv University), *The Impact of the Eichmann Trial on Relations between Israel and the Federal Republic of Germany*

Discussant: Derek Penslar (University of Toronto and University of Oxford)


**Monday 11:00 am**

**Impact on the Germanies**

Chair: Jennifer L. Jenkins (University of Toronto)

Annette Weinke (Friedrich Schiller University, Jena), *Keeping the Past at Bay: The Eichmann Trial in the Political, Legal and Historiographical debates of the Bundesrepublik*


Johannes Platz, *Critical Social Research and the Eichmann Trial: The Case of the Frankfurt Institute for Social Research’s Public Opinion Poll about the Eichmann Trial*

Thomas Pegelow Kaplan (Davidson College), *Remaking Eichmann: Memories of Mass Murder and the Transatlantic Student Movements of the 1960s*

Discussant: Irmgard Steinisch (York University)

*Lunch*

**Monday 2:30 pm**

**Impacts Elsewhere**

Chair: Hilary Earl (Nipissing University)

Esther Webman (Tel Aviv University), *The Impact of the Eichmann Affair on Arab Holocaust Discourse*

Valerie Hébert (Lakehead University at Orillia), *Testifying to Genocide: The Victim’s Voice in Transitional Justice Processes from Nuremberg to Kigali*

Alex Hinton (Rutgers University), *Justice Fifty Years Later: The Impact of the Eichmann Trial on the Duch Trial at the Khmer Rouge Tribunal in Cambodia*

Lawrence Douglas (Amherst College), *Eichmann in Jerusalem, Demjanjuk in Munich*

Discussant: Doris Bergen (University of Toronto)
Monday 4:30 pm

Closing Roundtable

Moderator, Richard Wetzell (German Historical Institute, Washington, D.C.)

Participants:
Lindsay Macumber (Centre for the Study of Religion, University of Toronto)
Nimrod Lin (History, University of Toronto)
Deborah Barton (History, University of Toronto)
Ran Zwigenberg (History, City University of New York)
and others

The conference is free admission and is open to the public.

Registration is required and is available through the Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto:
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