

"Bringing history to life? Personal stories in history education in Europe" *Seminar cycle Bosnia and Herzegovina – Croatia – France – Germany*

in the framework of Memory Lab – Transeuropean Exchange Platform on History and Remembrance
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Call for applications

The project aims to collect experiences of working with contemporary witnesses and material objects and to jointly discuss and develop new, innovative approaches - with the aim of making history concrete and tangible for young people. Working with contemporary witnesses and objects has the potential to enable a less abstract understanding and a feeling for the past to convey its relevance for the present.

How can young people who are too young to have lived through them learn about historical events in Europe in the 20th century?

What are the advantages, but also the problems and limitations of working with contemporary witnesses? What to do if there are no more eyewitnesses?

What options are there for working with contemporary witnesses and historical objects?

How can historical objects become active and interactive tools of communication with and for young people? Does it make sense to expect “authenticity” and “immediacy of history” when dealing with historical material objects?

Seminar I in Dachau, Germany: **24/11/2024 – 30/11/2024**

In each of the four seminar phases different aspects of the general topic will be tackled, and also connected with the exploration of the towns and memory sites where the seminars will take place. (Dachau Concentration Camp Memorial Site, European Centre of Deported Resistance Members - Former Natzweiler Concentration Camp – Struthof, Archives d´Alsace, History Museum of Bosnia and Herzegovina)

Organized by:

Max Mannheimer Study Center Dachau, Germany

Archives d´Alsace, France

History Museum Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Croatian History Teachers Association, Croatia

Phases:

- Seminar I: Germany (24/11/2024 – 30/11/2024)
- Seminar II: France (06/04/2025 – 12/04/2025)
- Seminar III: Croatia (Fall 2025)
- Seminar IV: Bosnia and Herzegovina (Spring 2026)

If you...

...are working at a museum, at a memorial site, in education, for an NGO, as a teacher or are an activist

...are willing to commit to take part in the four seminars

...have good English language skills

...want to become one of five participants from each country

...are living in Germany, France, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina

we are looking forward to your application!

Please complete this application form and send it until **19th of July 2024**.

<https://forms.gle/hmPXrL2NzXxH1xc69>



The fee for participants from France and Germany is: **110€ (per seminar)**

The fee for participants from Bosnia and Herzegovina and Croatia is: **60€ (per seminar)**

All costs connected to the program, accommodation (in two-bed rooms) and meals are covered by the organizers. Travel costs will be reimbursed according to the guidelines of the French-German Youth Office <https://www.dfjw.org/publikationen-materialien/fahrtkostenberechnung-fur-die-forderakten-im-dfjw>

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