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Holocaust by Bullets in Central and Eastern Europe

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DAY 1



LEARN

Pre-war life and mass shootings of Soviet Jewry during World War II

Morning

Introduction

8:30 - 9:00am

General presentation about the work of Yahad - In Unum, founded by Father Patrick Desbois.

1 Holocaust by Bullets

Who were the Jewish victims?

9:00 - 10:15am

- Soviet rural communities
- Jewish colonies
- Soviet Jews

10:15 - 10:30am

Break

Holocaust by Bullets, a public genocide

10:30am - 12:30pm

- Historical overview of the Holocaust by Bullets: timeline and maps
- Steps of the Jewish genocide
- Requisition: central element of the Holocaust by Bullets

12:30 - 1:30pm

Lunch break

Afternoon

2 Same territory, other victims

Persecution and extermination of the Roma during World War II in the Soviet Union

1:30 - 2:15pm

- General information: origins and diversity of the Roma in Eastern Europe
- Genocide of the Roma in German-occupied Soviet territories

Other victims of the Nazi killing units in the Soviet Union

2:15 - 2:45pm

- War of extermination: violence of the occupation on the Eastern front
- Massacre of disabled people
- Fate of the Soviet prisoners of war

2:45 - 3:00pm

Break



3 How to investigate a 70-year old crime?

Yahad – In Unum's methodologies of investigation Case study: How do we investigate a mass shooting in Eastern Europe?

3:00 - 4:30pm

- Research in the German and Soviet archives
- Investigation on the ground: reconstruction of the crime
- Interviews of eyewitnesses and bystanders
- Geographical identification of mass graves and crime sites



DAY 2



TEACH

Pedagogical tips for teaching the Holocaust by Bullets

Morning

1 Tools created by Yahad – In Unum to teach the Holocaust by Bullets

8:30 - 9:45am

In Evidence, an interactive map of the execution sites created by Yahad - In Unum

Study Guide for Educators, pedagogical toolkit created by Yahad – In Unum in partnership with the Florida Holocaust Museum

2 Tools of the investigator

9:45 - 11:00am

Case study: How to use Yahad – In Unum’s investigative tools?

11:00 - 11:15am

Break

3 Additional pedagogical themes

11:15am - 12:30pm

Aid and rescue of Jews in the occupied Soviet territories
Motivations of the executioners

12:30 - 1:30pm

Lunch break



APPLY

Reflecting on today's mass crimes and genocides

Afternoon

1 Other genocides investigated by Yahad – In Unum

1:30 - 3:15pm

Massacres of indigenous people in Guatemala
Present-day genocide of the Yazidis in Syria and Iraq
Similarities and differences with the Holocaust by Bullets

3:15 - 3:30pm

Break

2 Closing discussion: global reflections on the evidence gathered by Yahad – In Unum and its role in the fight against antisemitism, Holocaust denial and genocide

3:30 - 4:30pm



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