

PROGRAMME

NARRATING JUSTICE: POSTWAR TRIALS IN MEMORY AND CULTURE

11-12 JUNE 2026
VIENNA



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DAY 1 (11 June)

9:15 – 9:30	Opening remarks
9:30 – 10:45	Keynote lecture
10:45 – 11:10	Coffee break
11:10 – 12:30	PANEL 1
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 – 15:20	PANEL 2
15:20 – 15:40	Coffee break
15:40 – 17:00	PANEL 3

DAY 2 (12 June)

9:00 - 10:20	PANEL 4
10:20 – 10:40	Coffee break
10:40 – 12:20	PANEL 5
12:20 – 13:40	Lunch break
13:40 – 15:20	PANEL 6
15:20 – 15:30	Final remarks

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KEYNOTE LECTURE:

Prof. Dr Kerstin von Lingen - *Justice in Times of Turmoil: War Crimes Trials at Tokyo and beyond in the Context of Decolonization and Cold War in Asia*

PANEL 1: TESTIMONIES – SOURCE, NARRATIVE, JUSTICE

- **Assoc. Prof. Paulina Codogni** - *Victim Testimony in Postwar War Crimes Trials*
- **Prof. Małgorzata Tryuk** - *Interpreting at the trials of Nazi criminals in Poland after World War II. The case of the Supreme National Tribunal (1946–1948)*
- **MA Simona Kováčová** - *Antisemitism on Trial? Retributive Justice in Post-War Trnava (1945–1947)*

PANEL 2: CONSTRUCTING RESPONSIBILITY AND THE POLITICS OF GUILT

(hybrid)

- **MA Shachar Gannot** - *Defending the Wehrmacht in the Rechtsstaat: Hans Laternser and the Manteuffel Trial in West Germany*
- **Dr Gregory Weeks** - *The “Austrian Narrative” at Nuremberg: Dr. Gustav Steinbauer’s Strategies as Defense Attorney for Dr. Arthur Seyss-Inquart and Dr. Wilhelm Beiglböck*
- **Dr Anna Veronica Pobbe** (online) - *“It is not a Matter of Guilt” Prison Chaplains and Nazi Criminals as main characters in the postwar debate about responsibility and victimization (1945-1970)*

PANEL 3: SILENCED VOICES AND NON-MEMORY (hybrid)

- **Dr Aleksandra Kumala** - *“These Are Not Trivial Matters”: Sexual Violence against Pipels in Nazi Concentration Camps in the Testimonies of Former Polish Political Prisoners during Post-War Trials*
- **Assoc. Prof. Michaela Soyer** (online) & **Dr Jens Kolata** - *Unworthy Germans: Using Testimonies of the Mittelbau-Dora Trial in Essen to Understand the Life-Course of Former “Security Confined Prisoners”*
- **MA Aneta Vladimirov & MA Nikola Puharić** - *In the name of (all) people - Jasenovac Concentration Camp in Public Hearing*

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PANEL 4: THE CULTURAL AFTERLIFE OF WAR CRIMES TRIALS

- **Dr Natalia Guseva** - *The Court of Public Opinion: Gustaw Herling-Grudziński and the Cultural Prosecution of the Gulag in Cold War Italy*
- **Dr Olga Wesołowska** - *Between Testimony and Silence: Jewish Survivors and War Crimes Trials in Contemporary Austrian Cinema*
- **Dr Magdolna Guca** - *Purification or Business as Usual? Political Justice within the Field of Hungarian Visual Arts in the Aftermath of WWII*

PANEL 5: COLLECTIVE MEMORY & MEDIA REPRESENTATION

- **Dr Aleksandra Kurowska-Susdorf** - *Memory of Pohulanka 1946: Depicting Perpetrators and Victims in Postwar Trials, Visual Media, and Press Narratives*
- **Dr Filip Gańczak** - *Anti-Semitism on trial? Press coverage of the Amon Göth trial in Krakow (1946)*
- **Dr Paul Moore** - *"This Man Represents all of Germany". The Eichmann Trial in the Popular Press: the case of West Germany's Bild Newspaper*
- **Assoc. Prof. Sara Rguig** - *Constructing Justice After Revolution: Western Media Narratives of Post-Arab Spring Trials — A Critical Discourse Analysis*

PANEL 6 – POSTWAR JUSTICE IN COLD WAR CONTEXTS

- **Dr Anne-Christine Hamel** - *The condemnation of Nazi crimes in the context of Allied occupation and German division: Former internees of the Soviet special camp Buchenwald on trial in both German states*
- **Prof. Sławomir Łotysz** - *Japanese bacteriology in the defendant's dock: The Khabarovsk Trials and their cultural representation in East European countries*
- **Dr Irina Makhalova** - *Staging Justice: The 1972 Simferopol Trial and the Politics of Collaboration in Soviet Crimea*
- **Assoc. Prof. Irina Nastasă-Matei** - *Hunting a War Criminal in Cold War America: Politics, Media, and Justice in the Valerian Trifa Affair*