

13:00–14:30

Different or Same Patterns?

Chair: Rafał Witkowski

Naida-Michal Brandl / Anita Fiket

What Happened to Them? Synagogue in Croatia after the Second World War

Júlia Csejdy

Approaches of the Scientific Community and Decision Makers to Hungarian Jewish Built Heritage after 1945. A Case Study of Two Orthodox Synagogues in Mád and Tállya.

Eugeny Kotlyar

Synagogues in Ukraine's Independence Epoch: Rediscovery and Renovation of the Architectural Heritage

15:00

Summary

Ruth Leiserowitz, Ulrich Knufinke

15:30

Lunch



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(Dis-)appropriation of Synagogue
Architecture in East-Central Europe
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Tuesday, 12 September

German Historical Institute Warsaw

18:00–20:00

25th Lelewel Debate:

The Orphaned Synagogue in the Urban Space.
Why Do We Recall Them?

Eleonora Bergman, Jerzy Kichler, Vladimir Levin,
Stsiapan Stureika, Diána Vonnák
Moderation: Christhardt Henschel

Wednesday, 13 September

POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews

9:00–9:30

Welcome and Introduction

Zygmunt Stępiński, POLIN
Ruth Leiserowitz, DHI / Ulrich Knufinke, ev. SPP
Kamila Lenartowicz, Bet Tfila – Research Unit for Jewish
Architecture in Europe, TU Braunschweig

9:30–11:00

National and International Institutions

Chair: Ulrich Knufinke

Piotr Puchta
Struggle to Preserve Material Jewish Heritage Sites
in Poland. Challenges and Prospects

Melinda Harlov-Csorján
Synagogues in the Contemporary Hungarian Countryside

Samuel Gruber
The Re-Discovery of Jewish Built Heritage in Central
and Eastern Europe, 1988–2006

Coffee break

11:30–13:00

From State Socialism until the Transformation Era

Chair: Aleksandra Jakubczak-Gabay

Aleksandra Paradowska
Synagogues in the Memory of Contemporary
Local Communities in the Wielkopolska Region

Kinga Migalska
The Meaning of Objects. Judaic Exhibitions Organized
in Synagogues in Poland (1945–1989)

Christhardt Henschel
Burden and Asset. Jewish Built Heritage
and State Authorities in the PRL (1968–1989)

Lunch break

14:30–16:30

Individuals and Local Institutions

Chair: Alexandra Klei

Zuzanna Światowy
Restoring memory or searching for a new identity?
Synagogues of Lower Silesia in the post-German
territories after 1945

Renata Hanynits
Former Jankel Jancer Shul Synagogue in Lviv.
Rebuilding Jewish Heritage and Community Life
after 1991

Magdalena Abraham-Diefenbach
The Synagogue in Międzyrzecz. A History
of the Various Attempts to Protect the Monument

Arno Pařik
Reconstruction of the Great Synagogue in Boskovice.
The Influence of the Polish-Jewish Painters of the 17th
and 18th Centuries on its Painted Decoration

Coffee break

17:00–18:30

Secular Functions of Synagogues in Aims of Preservation

Chair: Mirko Przystawik

Emil Majuk
Gates of Heaven, Houses of Congregation, Places
of Memory and Oblivion. Post-war Fate and Local
Meanings of Former Synagogue Buildings
on the Border of Poland, Ukraine and Belarus

Tobiáš Smolík
„Schul” as a Learning Space: A Second Chance
for Czech Provincial Jewish Heritage Sites?

Monika Žąsytienė
The Imbalance Between ‘Our’ and ‘Other’ Heritage:
Jewish Heritage Inclusion in Local Identity. Sveksna’s Case

Reception

Thursday, 14 September

POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews

9:00–10:30

Current Happenings in Preserving
and Presenting Synagogues

Chair: Ruth Leiserowitz

Ruth Ellen Gruber
Jewish Built Heritage: From Dark Tourism
to Destination Culture

Andrea Corsale
Experiences and Perspectives of Jewish Heritage
Conservation and Promotion in Oradea and Timișoara,
Western Romania

Anna Klimovich, Alena Kuzmiankova, Volya Pavlova-Sokolova
Heritage Acceptance or Cultural Appropriation: Source
of Jewish Heritage Safety and Development in Belarusian
Small Cities

Coffee break

11:00–12:30

Synagogues as Inherited Objects

Chair: Katrin Keßler

Bronya Tritschler
From Immigrant Community to Private Property:
Ownership and Cultural Memory of Abandoned
Synagogues in the UK

Valeria Rainoldi
Venetian Synagogues in Israel and Venetian Synagogues
in Italy: Two Different Strategies for Preserving the Jewish
Cultural Heritage

Kamila Lenartowicz
Jewish Heritage of the Former East Prussia

Coffee break

