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t is our duty to honour those who died in the Shoah, to remain faithful to their memory, above all to remember their names, their lives, their culture. To recognise the enormity and specificity of the crime of which they were the victims. But the Shoah also reminds us of our responsibilities towards the living. Faced with the ruptures which threaten our society, the memory of the Shoah is a call to vigilance and solidarity. In that spirit, we continue to work with survivors - in France, Israel and Eastern Europe - who are living in poverty. Survivors of camps, ghettos and famine are at the centre of our mission. We are also continuing our educational work with younger generations. Awareness of the lessons of history may help avoid the lure of violence, intolerance and selfishness. To this end we have been involved in debates organized by the Ministry of Education, following proposals made by President Sarkozy. We believe it is essential that the Shoah remains part of the syllabus for the last year of primary school, whilst recognizing that it must be part of a wider discussion and that the sensibilities of all students be taken into account. We work with the team of the Shoah Memorial in a spirit of openness that is inscribed in the heart of the Foundation's mission and which I fully intend to continue. These values are enriched by our loyalty to the culture and traditions of Judaism. Our aim is to transmit them to the widest possible general audience as well as to young Jews. We are delighted that the Fondation Gordin for the provision of school buildings has been created with the help of cosponsors, making it possible to provide a high quality Jewish education that is both open to the world and respectful of tradition.

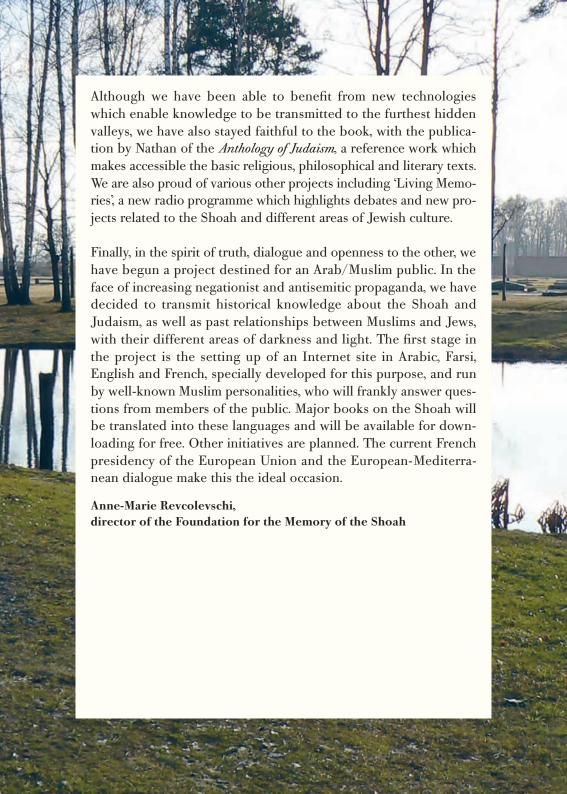
David de Rothschild, president of the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah



Research, history, ethics, students, trips, philosophy, Israel, memory, cinema, medicine, culture, teachers, negationism, combat, Judaism, solidarity, youth, literature, trauma, dialogue...This year the FMS, whose discreet blue logo is today familiar to many newspaper readers and television viewers, has been as busy as ever. We hardly had time to enjoy the pleasure of seeing projects coming to fruition before new ones were beginning, inspiring us as always with their measured intelligence and passion.

Thanks must go to those who undertake these projects, impelled to by their personal imperative to memory and transmission, their rejection of hatred and their keenness to work towards greater justice and a sense of brotherhood. Thank you also to all the volunteers, particularly the presidents of our commissions, who work, in the heart of our 'family' at the FMS, in order to fulfill our mission in the best possible way.

More than ever, our priority remains to aid the most vulnerable Shoah survivors. Our other great challenge is education, and we remain as vigilant as ever to ensure the history of antisemitism and of the Shoah is studied and transmitted in a language that is adapted for today's realities. We must also remain vigilant in the face of present dangers and we support those who are engaged in the difficult struggle against antisemitism, intolerance and ignorance. For our part, we aim to contribute to the struggle by showing that Judaism is also a living culture, far from being locked up in a ghetto, illuminated by many different links with other cultures.





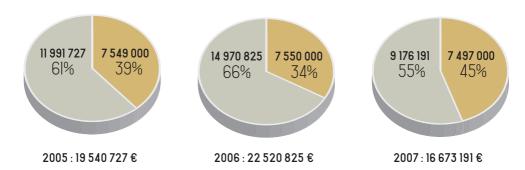
The Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah

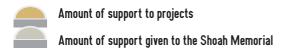
A private foundation for the benefit of the public

The Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah was created in 2000 on the recommendation of the Mattéoli Commission, charged with indexing and evaluating the spoliated belongings of Jews during the war and unjustly kept by the state apparatus and French financial institutions. The funds have a value of 393 million euros, which constitute the FMS's endowment. Unlike the CIVS (the Commission for the Indemnisation of the Victims of Spoliation), which deals with reparations for individuals, the Foundation uses the interest generated by the endowment

to finance projects and institutions. Since its creation, the FMS has financed more than 1300 projects. In 2007, 9 million euros were given to fund 248 projects. The Foundation also gives 7.5 million euros to the Shoah Memorial each year, approximately 80% of the Memorial's total annual budget. This year, the amount given to the Shoah Memorial amounted to 45% of the financial support budget of the FMS.

Evolution of the Foundation's financing strategy





Organisation of the Foundation

Commissions renewed in 2007

Projects are examined by one of the commissions made up of volunteer members, coopted for six years. In 2007 most of the commissions were redefined. New presidents were nominated, and new members were brought in to replace those whose mandate had ended.

The commission called 'Pedagogy and transmission' has been renamed 'Shoah Education'.

This commission will now concentrate on inititatives from the world of education; projects which fall out of that remit will now be examined by the new commission, Memory and Transmission – a broader version of the old commission Memory Links. The History and Research commission has been renamed 'History of anti-Semitism and the Shoah'.

A system of collective decision making

All the projects are examined by independent experts beforebeing discussed by the commissions. The commissions' recommendations are then submitted to the executive, and finally to the Management Committee of the Foundation. In 2007 a new Executive was elected, following the naming of David de Rothschild as President of the Foundation. The Management Committee of the Foundation is made up of representatives of the State, of Jewish institutions and of individual experts.

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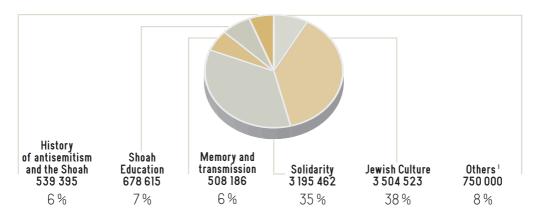
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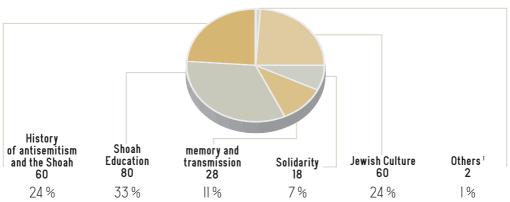
Key figures

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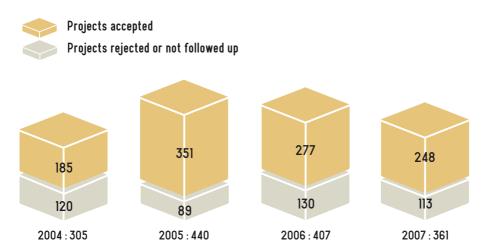
Division of commitments per commission in 2007 Total: 9,176,191 euros



Division of projects per commission in 2007 Total: 248 projects accepted



Evolution of the number of projects considered by the Foundation



The difference between the financial commitments taken on by the Foundation in 2006 relative to 2007 is principally explained by the fact that fewer people put in applications for grants. Nonetheless, this evolution took place In parallel with a slight increase in the financial value of grants awarded, because of the long-term nature of the payment of contributions. This means that once a project has been accepted, the Foundation agrees to make several payments, sometimes spread over several years, depending on the size and how far the project has advanced.

Around 70% of the projects presented in 2007 received aid from the Foundation. This high proportion of successful applications is related to the quality of the projects as well as to the mentoring

aid of the Foundation's teams, who maintain regular and active contact with the successful applicants.

Regarding the division of the Foundation's commitments. the balance of its activities remain more or less similar to that in 2006. It should however be noted that there were fewer projects accepted by the Memory and Transmission Commission, explained by the fact that in the last few years the Foundation has taken on long-term projects like the Camp at Les Milles or Father Desbois' research. Meanwhile the number of projects supported by the Solidarity Commission has increased, as a result of the fact that this area has been given priority and because of a greater demand for its aid.

The main activities of the FMS

Helping survivors as they age

Supporting Shoah survivors is the principal mission of the Foundation. In France, there is a need for aid to survivors who need specialist services, whether at home or in specialist geriatric units. The Foundation works principally with medical-social institutions like the OSE, the FSJU and the CASIP-COJASOR. Abroad it is mainly involved in emergency aid, in partnership with the American Joint Distribution Committee in Eastern Europe, or in Israel with humanitarian organizations such as Latet or Hazon Yeshaya.

Transmitting the memory of the Shoah

The transmission of the memory of the Shoah is achieved through different types of projects, such as films or documentaries which highlight less well-known aspects of the Shoah, commemorations, museum projects....The Foundation is supporting the creation of a network of sites of memory, which includes all the sites of internment in France, several of which will open to visitors by 2010, notably Drancy, where an annexe to the Shoah Memorial is being set up. In partnership with the publishing house Le Manuscrit, the Foundation publishes a

collection of accounts called "Testimonies of the Shoah". In 2007 the Foundation supported the permanent commemoration of the Justes of France in the Pantheon.

Broadening historical knowledge about the Shoah and antisemitism

The Foundation finances the research of young academics working on the Shoah, both in France and abroad, in history and other disciplines. This includes a programme of doctoral and post-doctoral grants, with the aim of encouraging research, particularly using new archives. The Foundation also gives grants for the translation of major works.

Shoah education

The Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah closely follows all initiatives established by the Ministry of Education and the world of teaching. The Foundation has helped to maintain the place of Shoah education in primary school and is active in debates about how the Shoah should be taught in CM2. Apart from this the Foundation finances many school trips to sites of memory, either directly or through the Shoah Memorial.

Spreading the word of Jewish culture

Another aspect of the Foundation's mission is to ensure the continuation of Jewish culture, of which entire swathes were destroyed during the Shoah. To that end the Foundation supports projects which aim to promote a better transmission of Jewish culture. particularly aimed at young people, as well as projects whose aim is to make known the richness of a culture that is several thousand years old. In 2007 the Foundation published with Nathan Editions an anthology of Judaism and Jewish culture and set up a website on this theme with France 5. In parallel with this the Foundation has set up an ambitious programme to train high school teachers to teach Jewish culture.



Developing Jewish culture

In order to satisfy a major demand for buildings in which to house Jewish schools, and to allow young children to go to school in the best possible conditions, a new foundation was created in 2007 on the initiative of the FMS: the Rachel and Jacob Gordin Foundation. The purpose of this foundation is to finance the renovation of Jewish school buildings. The foundation brings together the most important donors in this domain who have agreed to coordinate and to pool their resources and knowledge. The Rachel and Jacob Gordin Foundation for school buildings is a foundation under the auspices of the FMS and presided over by David de Rothschild.

The struggle against negationism and antisemitism

The Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah supports the activities of the watchdog MEMRI, which collates negationist speech broadcast on Arab and Iranian websites and television. In 2007 the Foundation initiated a project aimed at the Muslim-Arab world whose objective is to challenge the major prejudices concerning the Shoah and Judaism on a website in Arabic and Farsi, and by the translation of major works about the Shoah – such as Primo Levi's If this is a Man or the Diary of Anne Frankinto these languages.

Mémoires Vives, the FMS radio show

Since October 2007, the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah has broadcast a radio programme on RCJ (94,.8 FM in Paris) every Sunday from 1 to 1.30pm. The programme discusses numerous initiatives relating to the Shoah and the transmission of Judaism. Every week, individuals take part who are involved in activities which link memory and contemporary reality with concerns for the future.

The programmes can also be heard at www.memoiresvives.net.



"Testimonies of the Shoah"

The collection "Testimonies of the Shoah" brings together the accounts of direct and indirect victims of the persecution of the Jews in Europe, both before and during the Second World War, as well as witnesses to these persecutions. Published in partnership with the publishers Le Manuscrit, the collection publishes hitherto unpublished texts. After being edited, all the testimonies are examined by a committee, presided over by Serge Klarsfeld, made up of historians and specialists of the Shoah. Through this collection the Foundation is actively involved in the gathering and the preservation of the words of witnesses and victims.

President of the Reading Committee: Serge Klarsfeld

Members of the Reading Committee: Isabelle Choko, Olivier Coquard, Gerard Gobitz, Katy Hazan, Dominique Missika, Denis Peschanski, Paul Schaffer

Administrator: Philippe Weyl

Titles published in 2007 No right to life

Simon Grunwald

Simon Grunwald presents his experience as a hidden child in Poland. A happy child who had no idea he was Jewish, he was thrown headlong into the greatest tragedy of the twentieth century. This account evokes the massive role the Poles played in the genocide of the Jews, alongside the role of several Righteous Gentiles who risked their lives to save those of Jews in danger.

Blood and Gold

Julien Unger

Reissue of a testimony published at the end of the war by a French Jewish deportee. Julien Unger describes with power and precision what he had to endure in Auschwitz and in various transit camps. The literary quality of his account and the depth of his reflections give this text a particular power.

Life combats

Eliezer Lewinsohn

Born in Berlin in 1927, Eliezer "Robby" Lewinsohn was forced with his mother to flee in 1933 to Lyons. As the attacks on Jews intensified he became an active member of the Jewish resistance movement. In this account of his experiences, which he refuses to consider in any way exceptional, Robby pays homage to all those who actively fought for the survival of their people.

Speeches

Simone Veil

Preface by Anne-Marie Revcolevschi

This book brings together all Simone Weil's speeches from her time as President of the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah, from 2002 to 2007. Weil, a survivor of

Auschwitz, and enriched by her experience on the national and international political stage, speaks from the depths of her heart about both her experience and her philosophy. A version in English has also published.

A yellow star and a swastika

Robert Borgel

Preface and notes by Claude Nataf

The first of three volumes in the collection devoted to Tunisia, the testimony of Robert Borgel, lawyer at the Tunis Bar, shows how the ripple effect of the Shoah reached Tunis during the six months of the Nazi occupation.

The Jewish Camp of Royallieu-Compiègne 1941-1943

Collection

Introduction by Serge Klarsfeld

This work brings together eight texts about the "Jewish Camp" at Royallieu, a suburb of Compiègne. It complements the collection of testimonies of Jean-Jacques Bernard and Benjamin Schatzmann. This volume offers new insights on the terrible conditions that the Jews suffered in this Nazi internment camp that was under the aegis of the German army.

Memories of the body

Adèle Grossman.

Written with Henri Grossman

Adèle Grossman, a young Jewish Polish woman from Lodz, lost most of her family during the war. She experienced alone the hell that was Auschwitz, Birkenau and then Stutthof. Left for dead after the camps were evacuated, she had to have both her legs amputated. With the help of her son, Adèle Grossman tells her story. Her sober and extraordinary account allows her faith in life and her indefatigable optimism to shine through.

Face to face with death

Erich Altmann

Translation and introduction by Guy Altmann

Erich Altmann survived thirty three months in the Nazi concentration camp hell. This book tells of the horror of what he experienced: hunger, illness, the loss of humanity, death everywhere. And shining through, irrepressibly, a will to live in order to let the world know of these horrors. That strength allowed Erich Altmann to survive Auschwitz-Birkenau, Buchenwald, Oranienburg and two Death Marches.

The full catalogue of the collection "Testimonies of the Shoah" is available online at www.fondationshoah.org

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2007 Commitments

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Bringing comfort to survivors

Having been a member of the previous commission, I was only too aware of the increasing needs of survivors, the services which our institutions can offer and the financial resources necessary for the accomplishment of their mission. I know well how helping the elderly demands a degree of commitment, patience and skill and that we must help find solutions, temporary or long term, with regard to treatment, material aid and support. I am only too aware of the responsibility of this role, and of the service which I invest with all my professional experience; it is also a personal commitment, related to the long relationship I have both the history of the Shoah and with Israel. I was as a young man a Resistant; I saw both my parents deported to Auschwitz, and only my father return. This duty of solidarity and of responsibility has always been a part of me and I am proud to share it today with these extraordinary men and women who are like me here to guide the FMS to make the best decisions for those who need our help: aging survivors, often living alone and some in terrible situations. This is the challenge we faced in Israel, with some survivors living in appalling conditions. We are also working in partnership with the JOINT with survivors living in Eastern Europe. We will continue to prioritise projects which deal with the most critical situations, both in France and abroad. Pursuing our support for French institutions, we are interesting in innovative and high quality projects.

I also hope that we will be able to develop our ideas to deal with both current and future needs, benefiting from the latest gerontology and geriatric psychology studies, which will make us a leader in the field.

Jean-Raphaël Hirsch, president of the Solidarity commission



Listening and social support

Passerelles

National society for Listening and support FS III

Listening, memory and history OSE

Social action for Shoah survivors Foundation CASIP-CO JASOR

Service for survivors

Foundation CASIP-COJASOR

Auxiliaires de vie

Responsibility for Shoah survivors at the Résidence les Oliviers

CASIM. Marseilles

Specialist geriatric services

Centre de jour Edith-Kremsdorf OSE

Joseph-Weill Day Centre OSE

Emergency Aid

Emergency fund For Shoah survivors FSJU

Medical Services

Complementary health insurance for Shoah survivors

Foundation CASIP-CO JASOR

Renovation

Renovation of the Norbert-Dana Farband House,

Union des sociétés iuives de France

Renovation of the old age home Résidence les Oliviers

CASIM, Marseilles

Creation of a second day centre for the elderly with psychological and behavioural difficulties OSE

Food and medical help

Eastern Europe

Aid for the survivors of the siege of St Petersburg Joint Distribution Committee, Hesed Avraham

Home help for Shoah Survivors in Poland

Joint Distribution Committee, Union of Jewish communities of Poland

Strengthening of medical services for survivors of the Shoah in Estonia

Joint Distribution Committee, Jewish Community of Estonia

Programmes of medical aid, hygiene and social work for Shoah survivors in Lithuania

Joint Distribution Committee, Jewish Community of Lithuania

Israel

Food distribution for Shoah survivors in Israel

Hazon Yeshaya

Food and medicine distribution for Shoah survivors living in poverty in Israel

Latet Association

Helping survivors in Israel



Since 2006, the Foundation has been concerned with the extreme difficulties encountered by thousands of survivors living in Israel. Whilst being aware of the Israeli government's decision to build up a picture of the precise needs, and its intention to take appropriate measures bearing in mind the results of this research, the various conversations that representatives of the FMS have had in Israel convinced the Foundation that it was the right decision to go ahead with offering emergency help to Shoah survivors who live in Israel below the poverty level, without waiting for the government's decision.

The Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah is aware that any help it can offer is just a drop in the ocean, but nonetheless recognizes that whilst other organizations wait to decide what help to give, the FMS has already been able to offer help in a certain number of disturbing situations.

The organization Latet is well-known for its efficiency, its spirit of initiative and above all for its well-organised campaigns, which bring together experienced professionals and many volunteers. Latet, inspired by the French charity Restos du C?ur, and headed by Gilles Darmon, has been able to mobilize enthusiasm and to adapt and institute change when the situation demands action.

The partnership between the FMS and Latet calls for a financial commitment of 400 000 euros to help deal with the needs of Shoah survivirs living in poverty.

The programme is made up of 3 elements:

- nutritional help (the distribution of food packages)
- a medical element (coupons offering free medicine)
- the possibility of emergency help for those in particularly difficult situations

The partnership was made official by David de Rothschild who devoted his first trip to Israel in the role of President of the FMS to solidarity with survivors. He visited a social work centre in Lod, where he lit the first Chanukah candles with Shoah survivors who have benefited from the programme.

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2007 commitments

508,186 euros

Continuing the sites of memory

The Memory and transmission commission is committed in its work to continuing the work of the commission that came before it, Memory Links, presided over by Serge Klarsfeld. Thus projects which are already detailed, financed, some which are virtually finished, are guaranteed continued aid. This is the case for the sites of memory of internment in France, particularly the important Centre for the History and Memory of the Camps of the Loiret, which will be opened by the CERCIL in the centre of Orleans. Staying with the theme of continuity, the commission maintains active relationships with the major memorial institutions in Israel. At Yad Vashem, the FMS is involved in the project to collect the names of the Hungarian Jewish victims of the Shoah, and has contributed to the modernization of the Museum of Ghetto Fighters in the Galilee. The FMS is closely involved in the publication of testimonies, in the context of the Foundation's own collection. This year, projects for feature films and documentaries (which now come under the aegis of this commission), and for DVD's have multiplied. The commission examines these applications carefully, looking with particular interest at those projects which show particular ambition as well as at those which would never see the light of day without the support of the Foundation. Theatre projects are looked at on the same basis. The Commission also considers how to encourage people to write. Finally an important opportunity has opened up to the commission: the diverse cultures with immigrant origins who are buried in tombs within the Jewish part of cemeteries. The commission has agreed to a review on the juridicial status of these concessions particularly those that appear to have been neglected - on their upkeep and occasionally their restoration.

Annette Wieviorka, president of the commission for Memory and transmission



Museum Projects

Renovation of sector III at Birkenau: "Mexico"

State museum at Auschwitz-Birkenau

Construction of a site of memory and history opposite the Cité de la Muette, at Drancy

FMS Shoah Memorial

Historial - Memorial Charles de Gaulle at Colombey-les-Deux-Églises

Foundation Charles de Gaulle

Project to renovate, and equip The Elie Wiesel Institute

Bucharest Romania

Plaques and memorial stones

Setting of commemorative plaques at Auverse and at Noyant (Maine-et-Loire)

Association Families
And Friends of the Deportees
of Convoy 8

Placing of a commemorative memorial stone

in the commune of la Bachellerie

Renovation of the monument to deportees at the Jewish cemetery in Strasbourg-Cronenbourg

Consistoire israélite of the Bas-Rhin

Restoration of the monument erected in memory of the Jews of Saint-Quentin who were deported and killed

Jewish Cultural Association of Saint-Ouentin

Posing of a plaque in memory of the Jews deported from Marcillac

Association for the memory of the Jews deported from Aveyron

Ceremonies

Homage by the Nation to the Justes of France, Ceremony at the Pantheon

FMS, Presidency of the Republic

Yom HaShoah
Publication of a special issue
of the journal *Ténou'a*Liberal Jewish Movement of France

French committee for Yad Vashem

Encounters

Information day about the Justes of Parcay-les-Pins (Maine-et-Loire)

Association Families and Friends of the Deportees of Convoi 8

Bordeaux encounters: Children of the War Fixing the irreparable

CRIF Bordeaux South West Aquitaine

Lecture Remember Budapest

Budapest, Hungary French committee of the International Association of Jewish lawyers

Cultural meetings

Theatre
Himmelweg
(Route of the Sky)

Directed by Jorge Lavelli, Le Méchant Théâtre Company

Dance Les Petites Haines

by Catherine Cadol Ephata Company

Musical festival
Voix étouffées 2008

Forum Voix étouffées, Amaury du Closel

Catalogue of the exhibition Pathways

by Michèle Katz, Area Corp



Publications

Collection
"Testimonies of the Shoah"
FMS. Le Manuscrit

Friend, Neighbour

Raphaël Konopnicki, Éditions Jean-Claude Gawsewitch

Translation of important works on the Shoah into Arabic and Farsi FMS

Audiovisual Productions

Tour des Finaly, DVD Micha Shagrir, Tapuz Productions

Belzec, DVD Guillaume Moscovitz, Compagnie des Phares et Balises

The Future of Drancy, DVD Arnaud des Pallières, Arte France Développement

Joseph Epstein: bon pour la légende Pascal Convert,

Productions Sodaperaga

An island in a storm (subtitling)
Neus Viala,
Les Films de la Castagne

The Glasberg MysteryJulie Bertuccelli,
Beamlight Productions

Monseigneur Théas, a bishop listens to the century

Jil Servant, Productions de la Lanterne

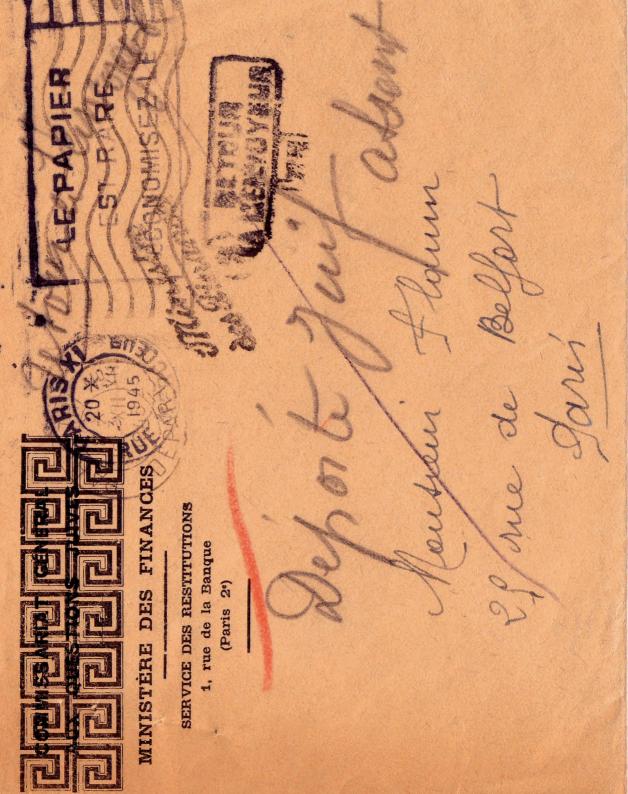
Passports for VittelJoëlle Novic,
Injam Productions

Digitalisation
of testimonies
Association of Hidden Children

Children and genocide: Testimonies about childhood during the Shoah

What is it like to grow up, to play, to dream, whilst humanity is being ravaged by genocide? What was childhood like for children growing up during the Second World War, when the Nazis were carrying out their war of extermination against the Jews and their politics of purification against the Gypsies? Written both during and after these events took place, these texts, brought together by Catherine Coquio and Aurélia Kalisky and translated from fifteen different languages, describe what the collapse of their world meant to the youngest witnesses, and tells of the extraordinary vitality that kept them going in the camps and ghettos. It highlights the way in which children and adolescents perceived this collective tragedy and allows the reader to begin to understand the image – sometimes harsh – that they had of adults.





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History of antisemitism and the Shoah Commission

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2007 commitments

539,395 euros

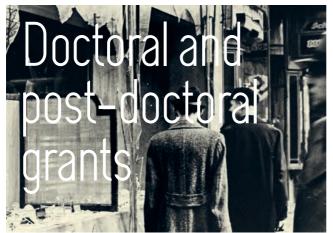
Stimulate research, in France and abroad

The History of antisemitism and the Shoah Commission has gone through a partial renaissance. It has inherited a tradition, precedents and a memory which it is strongly aware of. In the next few years the Commission is concentrating on three areas: the development in France of areas of study around the Shoah in central and eastern Europe. Research in France has some catching up to do. This will demand an increase in the knowledge of foreign languages, study abroad periods (short or longer term) which will allow students to make the most of archives and a greater knowledge of foreign publications which deal with this particular geographical area.

- It is essential to encourage European students, notably those from the former 'people's democracies', when they begin their research, which is often challenging, necessary and certainly productive. It is essential that the commission looks beyond France. Geographical openness is an immediate necessity.
- The commission does not limit its expertise to the realm of history. It welcomes human and social sciences. Bearing in mind the research of the last several years, it is more important than ever that researchers be encouraged to develop multidisciplinary skills. This is the way in which current and future work will be given a new dimension. Seminars, during which recipients of grants from the Foundation are invited to share their discoveries with other researchers,

are, from this perspective, particularly useful. These seminars have been extremely fruitful for all participants and should be continued.

André Kaspi, president of the History of Antisemitism and the Shoah Commission.



Antisemitism

German policy in the Middle East and antisemitism in the Arab world between 1952 and 1979

Ulrike Becker, University of Hamburg

The International League against Antisemitism between 1928 and 1940

Emmanuel Debono, Sciences-Po. Paris

The Institute for the study of the Jewish Question and the organs of antisemitic propaganda under the Occupation

Grégoire Kaufmann, Sciences-Po. Paris

The emergence
Of a "popular anti-Semitism"
in France during the 1930s

Laurent Kestel, University of Paris-I

Nazi propaganda posters (1920-1945)

Olivier Lavandon, University of Caen Racism and antisemitism in the Italian press during the fascist era (1922-1943): between political and

journalistic propagandaFanny Levin,
University of Grenoble-II,

University of Turin

The history of the Dreyfus affair Philippe Oriol

A comparative history of racial ideas In European society 1860-1960

Carole Raynaud-Paligot, Institut historique allemand, Paris

Antisemitic hatred in southern France.

Mobilisations, networksand figures of the extreme right from the end of the 19th century to the present day

Philippe Secondy, University of Montpellier-III

The Shoah aliyah from France to Palestine and Israel (1936-1950)

Brice Vincent, University of Montpellier-III

Eastern Europe and Russia

Deported but saved: The Jews of Poland and the Baltic states deported to the East by the Soviets 1940-1941

Marta Craveri, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (EHESS)

Biography of A. Lozovski (1878-1952). The journey of a Jewish Bolshevik leader Olivia Gomolinski, Sciences-Po. Paris

Rovno on the eve of the Second World War and during the Holocaust

Tikva Fatal-Knaani, Yad Vashem

The evolution of the political values of the Jewish community in Poland between the wars
Kamil Kijek,
University of Wroclaw

Nazism and genocide

The internment regime in the Nazi concentration camps (1933-1945)

Nicolas Bertrand, Universities of Bourgogne, Dijon and Humboldt, Berlin

The function and importance of the architecture of the Nazi concentration camps Alexandra Klei, Technical University of Cottbus

Sports: the practice of violence in the Nazi camps

Veronika Sprigmann, University of Carl-von-Ossietzky, Oldenburg

The mobilisation of farmers during the Rwandan genocide

Emmanuel Viret, Sciences-Po, Paris

Writing about the Shoah

The memory of the Shoah and laughter: Questions and controversies

Andrea Lauterwein, University of Paris-III

Paul Celan and Giorgio Caproni: two poetic writers after Auschwitz Judith Lindenberg

Marc-Bloch Centre, Berlin

Biography of Gertrud Kolmar (1894 Berlin - 1943 Auschwitz) Silke Nowak Berlin

The poem as a site of memory: Poetic writing and the transmission of memory. Nelly Sachs (Germany), Edmond Jabès (France). Juan Gelman (Argentina) Lucie Taïeb,

University of Paris-IV

Construction of memory

Antisemitic, fascist and Nazi persecutions in Italy: Memory and representation between 1944 and 1967

Paola Bertilotti, Sciences-Po. Paris

Alone together. The 1950s. Jews in the Federal Republic of Germany

Jael Geis, Berlin

Shoah survivors in Australia and Israel

Sharon Kangisser Cohen, University of Sydney, Australia

David Boder and the history of Shoah testimonies: the evidence of trauma Alan Rosen, University of Bar-Ilan

Collective mobilisations and the construction

of the memory of the homosexual victims of Nazism

Regis Schlagenhauffen Maika, University of Strasbourg

The construction of a collective memory of the Shoah in France 1987-2000

Floriane Schneider, University of Paris-I

Justice and restitution

The spoliation of funds which belonged to the Jewish victims of the Nazis and were held by Swiss banks Alexandra Herfroy-Mischler,

Alexandra Hertroy-Mischler, University of Paris-III

The application in France of the German laws on "reparations" from the 1950s to the 1970s

Johanna Linsler, University of Paris-I

Belgian post-war justice regarding Jewish persecution

Marie-Anne Weisers, Free University of Brussels





Seminar:

Are all men equal?
A comparative history
of racial thinking
1860-1930

Carole Raynaud-Paligot, Institut historique allemand, Paris

Seminar:

The liberation of occupied Soviet territory: Practices of purification and the construction of the image of the enemy in the USSR 1942-1945

Masha Cerovic, Ecole normale superieure, Juliette Denis, University of Paris-X

Conference:

The Shoah, a paradigm of psychic trauma in the 20th century

Nathalie Zajde, University of Paris-VIII, José Brunnert, University of Tel Aviv

Organisation of two round tables: A comparative history

of antisemitism in France and Italy

Marie-Anne Matard-Bonucci, University of Grenoble-II

International conference:
A historical sociology
of cultural antisemitism
in France, visual arts,
literature, music,
theatre in the 19th
and 20th centuries

Centre d'Étude de la Vie Politique Française (CEVIPOF) Sciences-Po, Paris

Seminar.

The Shoah in Transnistria; interdisciplinary research and new perspectives

Jerusalem Centre

International conference: Shoah survivors living in another country: time, space and identity

The Avraham Harman Institute of Contemporary Jewry, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Jerusalem Centre for French research

Seminar.

Two voices returned from the past:
David Boder

Florent Brayard, Marc-Bloch Centre, Berlin

History seminar about the Shoah

André Kaspi, University of Paris-I

Workshop on the history of the concentration camps University of Hamburg

Conference on
Jewish culture and cultural
exchanges in central
and eastern Europe
University of Nancy-II

Public lectures at the Collège de France

by Annette Wieviorka and Sylvie Lindeperg, FMS

Lectures by Mme Miliakova

Centre for Russian, Caucasian and central European Studies EHESS

Publications

Reflections on the Shoah in film 1945-1985

Claudine Drame, Éditions Metropolis

Testimonies of the Resistance

Philippe Mesnard, Editions Stock

Translation into French: Film theory, redeeming material reality

Siegfried Kracauer, Éditions Flammarion

Translation of major works of history

The Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah strongly supports the translation of books which bring a new perspective to the understanding and the analysis historical research. The FMS has given financial support to the publication in French of two important books: *The Origins of the Final Solution: The Evolution of Nazi Jewish Policy*, by Christopher R. Browning and Saul Friedländer's *The Years of Extermination: Nazi Germany and the Jews, 1939-1945*.

By looking at the extermination of the Jews of Europe in two distinct ways – the radicalization of the persecutions leading to the intent to genocide (Christopher R. Browning) and the confrontation between Nazi leaders, local leaders and ordinary people as well as the victims themselves (Saul Friedländer), these exceptional works have contributed to a greater understanding of the Nazi racial politics that led to the Final Solution.

Translation into French: Nazi Germany and the Jews, volume II The Years of Extermination (1939-1945)

Saul Friedländer, Éditions du Seuil

To speak or to remain silent. Attitudes and actions of French Jews, 1940-1945

Claire Zalc et Nicolas Mariot, Éditions Odile Jacob

Les Cahiers de la Shoah nº10

Éditions Les Belles Lettres

Translation into English: The camps of Paris. Austerlitz, Lévitan, Bassano

Jean-Marc Dreyfus and Sarah Gensburger, Éditions Berghahn Books

Translation into French:
The Origins of the Final Solution

Christopher R. Browning, Éditions Les Belles Lettres

Research aids

Have I seen Anne Frank? Regarding the reception of a literary testimony and against falsification of memory in contemporary culture

Cordula Behrens, University of Carl-von-Ossietzky, Oldenburg

Comparative study between the Holocaust and the 1994 Rwandan genocide

Katherine Craddy, University of Birmingham

Images of Reichsparteitag and the development of the "Volkskörper"

Paula Diehl, Berlin

Study of the right-wing movements of the Yishuv: clandestine immigration, help, rescue and espionage before, during and after

the Second World War

Tuvia Friling, Ben-Gurion University, Beer-Sheva

Research project on the Justes of Brussels and New York

Sarah Gensburger, Sciences-Po, Paris

Research in New York in the archives of Va'ad Hatzala (Rescue Committee)

Yaacov Loupo, Jerusalem

Daily life and Jewish identity in the diaries of Victor Klemperer

Arvi Sepp, University of Antwerp

Database on antisemitism and revisionism Stephen Roth Institute, University of Tel Aviv

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2007 commitments

678,615 euros

Towards a universal Shoah education

I was honoured to be invited to succeed Alice Tajchman in 2007 as the president of the Education and Transmission Commission, now renamed the Shoah Education Commission.

The Commission aims to develop Shoah education by supporting appropriate and high quality projects. The composition of the new commission illustrates a particular keenness for in-depth research, whilst retaining an awareness of educational realities. Activities at the level of junior high and high school remain at the core of our mission. The FMS helps finance a large number of school trips to sites of memory. In cooperation with the Education Ministry services, the Foundation intends to provide teachers with the appropriate tools to help them undertake this task.

With regard to primary education, and following on from the idea put forward by President Sarkozy, the Foundation is represented in the working group which has been created by the Ministry of Education. Speaking personally, I would have preferred for the FMS not to be involved in this working group, and I am abstaining from involvement myself; I believe that the Commission should remain apart from this debate and should not be a part of what is first and foremost a politicised and mediatised discussion. Nonetheless it seems that some elements of the debate and some of the ideas of this working group are managing to go beyond this level and these may well eventually become part of the Commission's proposals. We believe that it is important to make an effort with regard to tertiary education, in particular with professors of contemporary history. We are working on the production of a document co-signed with the Shoah Memorial and destined for education authorities, dealing with an important question: "Resistance and deportation: how to honour the memory of one without diminishing the other?"

Finally the Education Commission has initiated a series of pilot projects using the theatre as a means of transmission.

Élisabeth de Fontenay, president of the Shoah Education commission



Poland: from Auschwitz to the European Union

Lycée Laetitia-Bonaparte, Ajaccio

From Auschwitz as a site of memory to the Poland of today,Ostrowiec

Lycée Jean-Moulin, Albertville

Voyage to Auschwitz

Association des Amis de l'aumônerie israélite des armées

Memory and History: Krakow - Auschwitz

Lycée du Bugey, Belley

Voyage of memory Bnei Akiva

Association l'Expérience israélienne

History and Memory. Testimonies and memoirs

Collège Molière, Bouillé-Loretz

The Shoah,

how to speak of and understand the unspeakable

Collège Philippe-Cousteau, Brienon-sur-Armançon

Thinking of crimes against humanity:

"Berlin: the traces of the Third Reich"

Lycée Auguste-Renoir, Cagnes-sur-Mer

Voyage to Auschwitz-Birkenau

École de la deuxième chance, Châtellerault

Auschwitz and the city of Krakow

Lycée Saint-Charles, Chauny

The Resistance and deportation from Lyons

Association Déportation, persécutions et mémoire

Voyages to Auschwitz

Association Deportation, persecutions et mémoire

Memory and History: Berlin-Auschwitz

Lycée Marie-Curie, Échirolles

From one Europe to another: from Strasbourg to Auschwitz

Lycée Pierre-Mendès-France, Épinal

Europe, from war to peace

Lycée Anna-de-Noailles, Évian-les-Bains

Jews from France and Krakow

Lycée Aristide-Briand, Évreux

The duty of memory and the construction of the future citizen

Collège le Chamandier, Glières

To the roots of memory

Collège Ferdinand-Buisson, Grandvilliers

Voyage to Auschwitz for the students of Saint-Maur-des-Fossés

Association Action citizen, youth and memory,
La Varenne

The duty of memory at Auschwitz-Birkenau

Collège Hector-Malot, Le Mesnil-Esnard

Voyage to Krakow and Auschwitz

Lycée Notre-Dame-des-Minimes, Lyon

Memorial trip

Private school Gan-Ami, Marseille

Drancy - Krakow - Auschwitz

Lycée français, Madrid

Trip to Auschwitz

Lycée Louis-de-Broglie, Marly-le-Roi

Poland,

European memory and the future of the European Union

Collège Le Luzard, Marne-la-Vallée

From tragedy to hope

Lycée du Mené, Merdrignac

Voyage to Lyons and Izieu

Lycée Alain-Borne, Montélimar

Voyage Yizkor

ORT Daniel Mayer, Montreuil

Voyage of memory to Auschwitz

Institut Saint-Dominique, Mortefontaine

Paris - Lyon - Izieu

Collège Corentin-Riou, Moutiers Les Mauxfaits

Voyage to Auschwitz : Shoah and memory

Lycée polyvalent Georges-Brassens, Neufchâtel-en-Bray

Zakhor Al Tichkah'

Collège-lycée de l'Alliance, Nice

History and memory: Berlin and Auschwitz

Lycée Paul-Painlevé, Oyonnax

Voyage to Izieu

Collège Pierre-de-Ronsard, Paray Vieille-Poste

Berlin, a place of living memory

Collège Guy-Flavien, Paris

Voyage of memory

École Georges Leven, Paris

Educational voyage to Poland

Institutions Sinaï,

Paris

Antigone, figure of the Resistance

Lycée Racine, Paris

Voyage to Auschwitz

Collège Valmy, Paris

Memory and transmission

Lycée Yabne, Paris

Study trip to Auschwitz-Birkenau

Ligue Internationale Contre le Racisme et l'Antisémitisme (LICRA), Périqueux-Dordogne section

Voyage to Auschwitz-Birkenau

Conseil général du Rhône

Studying the memory of the Jewish aenocide

Institut rural, Rollancourt

The traces of the Shoah

Lycée professionnel Denis-Diderot, Romilly-sur-Seine

Voyage to Krakow and Warsaw

Lycée polyvalent du Haut Val-de-Sèvres, Saint-Maixent-l'École

Discovering the sites of deportation and genocide

Collège Jean-de-Neyman, Saint-Nazaire

History and memory of the Shoah

Lycée Ozar-Hatorah, Sarcelles

Auschwitz and Krakow

Collège Château-Rance, Scey-sur-Saône

A memory for today

Lycée Paul-Langevin, Suresnes

Auschwitz, history and the duty to remember

Lycée polyvalent Barthémely-de-Laffemas, Valence

Construction

of a common memory,

Collège Jean-Moulin, Villefranche-sur-Saône

Maison-mémorial of the murdered Jewish children from Izieu

Collège Pasteur, Villemomble

Audiovisual Productions

Internment camps

in the south of France, DVD ROM Regional educational documentation centre CRDP), Midi-Pyrénées

Villa Jasmin

Férid Boughedir - Image et Compagnie

My first memory in colour

Jean-Yves Yagound - Klicanovo

Bon Papa

Leïla Ferault - Bix Films

The recipes of Mina Pachter

Anne Georget - Quark Productions

Zachor, DVD

Fabienne Rousso-Lenoir

Notes of hope

Filming of a performance Block 15, music and Resistance Breakout Films

Concentration camp work, DVD

Study circle of the deportation and the Shoah

Sonderkommando,

Auschwitz-Birkenau

Emile Weiss - MW Productions

Theatre

Slumbering water

Lars Norén - Acte 2

Expositions

Exhibition of the drawings of Thomas Geve

French Association Buchenwald-Dora and Kommando

Travelling exhibition of the of the life and work of Etty Hillesum

Charlotte Arnoux Saut, Isorea Association

Training programmes

Training seminar for the heads of information departments at the UN

Shoah Memorial

National competition about the history of the Shoah in France 2006-2008

Aloumim, Israel

Seminar on the concentration and death camp at Auschwitz and crimes against humanity Lyons chapter for the rights of man

Seminar European Values Keeping memory alive

A Holocaust Educational

Program for Israeli-Palestinian Dialogue Group

YMCA, Israel

Two weeks of history: understanding the Shoah

École Jules-Guesde, Vénissieux

Voyages for forging an identity Association for Art and Solidarity

Publications

Deportees from Lyon, history of the youngest victims of the Shoah. Digitalisation and placing online of archival documents

Centre for the documentation of the deportation of Jewish children, Lyons

Special issue on the Justes Le Monde des Ados FMS, Fleurus presse

Lectures

Lecture series

Transmission, memory and identity, the Jews of Spain during the Shoah

Lycée français de Madrid

Seminar

Fact, Fiction, Propaganda

Union of European Jewish Students

Commemorations

Memorial Days 2007

Centre communautaire de Paris

Ceremony to pay homage to the sons and daughters of Jews shot and deported in the Yonne

Collège Denfert-Rochereau, **Auxerre**





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2007 commitments

3 504 523 euros

Openness and loyalty

The work of the Jewish culture commission, in the course of its first six years of activity, has been based around the idea that one of the central missions of the Foundation is to privilege the transmission of the Jewish cultural heritage that belonged to the victims of the Shoah, specifically to younger generations. With this in mind, the Jewish culture commission has been involved in the changes taking place in French Jewish schools, by taking responsibility for property and being involved in the main body responsible for training teachers and by prioritizing the growth of educational resources. The commission has also been involved in the development of informal education, both in Paris and in the rest of France, as well as the strengthening of the knowledge of different 'Jewish' languages, by supporting the main institutions responsible for teaching these languages. All these activities, which are being extended with the establishment of the Rachel and Jacob Gordin Foundation for school buildings which will make an important contribution to the development in France of an open and high quality education system. It is important that the curriculum is designed with the intention of valuing the teaching of Hebrew and Jewish history, in order to reinforce students' identity and underline the importance of being open to the rest of the world. Teacher training should be pursued in the same spirit; focusing on the sources of tradition, and respectful of the principles outlined in the charter of the Rachel and Jacob Gordin Foundation. In the same spirit, if the commission has contributed it a to a greater dissemination of Jewish culture, in particular by concentrating on student activity, it is also because particular attention has been paid to the preservation of French Jewish heritage, through the renovation of important libraries and the digitalization of books, and the exhibiting of artworks: the considerable success of Israeli literature and cinema confirms a general interest in Jewish culture in all its forms both amongst the Jewish and the non-Jewish public.

Raphaël Hadas-Lebel, president of the Jewish Culture commission



Initial training for trainee teachers of Jewish education

Teacher training institute Beth Rivkah

Extra-curricular Hebrew education pedagogical programme for youth movements Jewish Agency

Programme for training leaders French Union of Jewish Students (UEJF)

Improving Hebrew teaching Creation of an area for Jewish studies for teenages and young adults

Centre communautaire de Paris

Regional developement Jewish scouts of France FFIF

International forum of Jewish scouts training programme FFIF

Consolidation and development of the Elie-Wiesel University Institute Elie-Wiesel University Institute

Educational programme for Talmud Torah classes

Consistoire central

Parents and children studying together Mihereshit

Activities for the training of rabbis

Consistoire de Paris

Educational aids: help with writing and publication, lyrit Tarbout National Centre for Hebrew Language

Online tools

Method of teaching Hebrew by e-learning

Societé Yodea

Online edition of the educational magazine Der Yidisher Tam Tam

Maison de la culture viddish -Bibliothèque Medem

Development of the website about the Jewish community of Alsace and Lorraine

Association ASLIA

Publications

1306, the expulsion of the Jews from the kinadom of France Céline Balasse, Éditions de Boeck

The Book of Fire

(translation and publication in French) H.N. Bialik, Éditions Caractères

Jews and Judaism, volume 1 (reprint)

Marianne Picard, Biblieurope

Judéopostale. Jewish themes in philately Claude Wainstain, Biro Éditeur

Our Heros, volumes 1 and 2 (reprint)

Sadie Rose Weilerstein, Biblieurope

Mathematics and the Jews Moritz Steinschneider Gad Freudenthal Éditions Olms

Dudinvisual Productions

A history of Israeli cinema Raphaël Nadjari, Zadiq Productions

Sacred language. spoken language

Nurith Aviv Les films d'ici

Operation Moses Radu Mihaileanu Elzévir films

Testimonies of French and Francophone volunteers (The Israeli war of independance 1948-19491 (DVD) Association Mahal

Les Falashmuras the Marranos of Ethiopia? Daniel Friedmann, CNRS

We were Exodus

Jean-Michel Vecchiet, Matt Films

Why Israel?

New print. Claude Lanzmann. Les Films Aleph

Archives and libraries

Preserving the archives of Sara and Jacob Halperyn

Museum of the art and history of Judaism, Paris Leon Halperyn

Restoration of old books Library of Daat Torah

Cataloguing the collections of the Bibliothèque Medem Maison de la culture viddish -

Theatre

Lehaïm

after Herlinde Koelbl Compagnie Le Réseau

Bibliothèque Medem

Di Tsvey Kune-Lemel

after Abraham Goldfaden Maison de la culture viddish -Bibliothèque Medem

Vienna 1913. at the Avignon Festival Alain Didier-Weill

Influenscènes

Culture

Between Jews and Christians International conference at Oxford

Jean Baumgarten -Centre de recherches historiques de l'EHESS

The 3 Is of lewish culture. Art and Judaism

Association Vigil'Ance

Books about the Jewish world

Association for the teaching of Judaism as culture

7th Festival of Israeli Cinema in Paris

Isratim

The first lewish Culture Week at Arcueil

Amicale juive d'Arcueil

Commemoration of the centenary of the Jewish cultural association of Clermont-Ferrand

Jules-Isaac Cultural Centre

Commemoration in Paris of the bicentenary of the Consistoire Consistoire de Paris

Conference on the centenary of the scout movement FFIF

Russian soloists

Association for the International Festival of peace

4th Yiddish summer school in Alsace

Open air theatre

Festival of Jewish culture: concerts and lectures

Association Aki estamos. Les amis de la Lettre sépharade

Theatre in education:

La Traversée

Maison Moadon. Troupe Adama

Educational workshop

Maison Moadon

Festival of Jewish culture: the wealth of Jewish culture in Europe

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Festival of Jewish culture: workshops on Joseph Kessel

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Klezmer workshops

Maison de la culture viddish -Bibliothèque Medem

Antisemitism and interfaith dialogue

Media action relating to negationism and antisemitism MFMRI

Study days: development of educational tools to fight against racist and antisemitic clichés and preiudice CEDER - AJMF

Exceptional aid

Reconstruction of the synagogue in the Caillols area. Marseilles

Association Or Aviv

Emergency aid following an incident of vandalism New community centre in Paris

Exceptional aid for 2007 National Hebrew Centre

Further emergency aid for the Shnei Or School Association KCO

Educational Projects

Establishment of a new Jewish school

Association for a Modern Jewish Education

Construction of a new high school École lycée Lucien-de-Hirsch

Fytension Ozar-Hatorah School, Créteil

Voyages

Mission Exodus

Appel unifié juif de France

Journey to Argentina editorial team of the Cahiers viddish

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Disseminating Jewish culture

The Shoah decimated entire swathes of a many thousand year old culture. Through its various commissions the FMS contributes towards the dissemination of Jewish culture, as part of its struggle against prejudice and stereotyping. Three of the main projects that the Foundation has initiated:

An anthology

Published by Nathan, the *Anthologie du judaïsme*, edited by Francine Cicurel, professor of linguistics, makes available to the general public basic texts which explain the wealth and diversity of a culture that is largely little known. The book contains traditional texts of philosophy and Jewish literature accompanied by reading notes, illustrated documents and explanatory commentary to enable greater understanding.

A thematic website

In partnership with France 5, the FMS ha set up a thematic website called "Judaism and Jewish culture", under the direction of Gérard Rabinovitch, CNRS researcher, and Gilles Braun, specialist in information technology. Bringing together contextual resources and interactive animations and videos, the site offers users over 200 pages of information, making it a reference source for both the educational community and the general public.

Teacher training

Since 2006 the Foundation has supported a training programme for high school teachers. Developed by Gérard Rabinovitch in partnership with the Education Ministry, this training gives teachers the possibility to choose to deepen their understanding of the Jewish world. It proposes different modules outlining Jewish history as well as aspects of the culture, philosophy and theology of Judaism. This training programme has already been taken up by some seven hundred teachers in five education authorities.

Financial Commission

President

Roch-Olivier Maistre

Members de la commission

Roger Cukierman, Marc El Nouchi, Dominique Laurent, André Lévy-Lang, Pierre Lubek Claude Pierre-Brossolette

Securing the FMS endowment

Conforming to article 14 of the FMS statutes, the mission of the Financial Commission is to examine "general questions regarding the finances of the foundation". The conclusions of the commission regarding all financial decisions brought before the Executive Committee are final. The commission is responsible for the investment strategy for the Foundation's funds and deals with its management. It also gives advice regarding how money is spent, and oversees the information on the Foundation's finances which is given to members of the Executive Committee and the Foundation's various partners.

The commission is loyal to these principles and works in close collaboration with the President, Treasurer and Director of the Foundation; in the context of the worldwide instability of the financial market and an uncertain economic future, the Commission is committed to securing, as far as is possible, the Foundation's funds, in order to allow it to fulfill its mission and to honour its engagements.

The year 2007 was notable for:

- The renewal of some of members of the Commission, and the arrival of Mme Dominique Laurent and M. Marc El Nouchi, conseillers d'État, and M. Roger Cukierman, former president of the CRIF.
- The changing of the accountant and of the firm which works with the Financial Commission regarding the definition of its financial strategy.
- Above all, by the close attention paid to the development of the markets and close liaison with the Foundation's fund managers. Faced with the depreciation of the markets alongside the sub-prime crisis in the US, the Commission has asked the managers of the endowment to reduce the portfolio's risky investments and to increase risk-free investments. In spite of a difficult context, this prudent strategy led to the portfolio's net growth this year of 3.64 %.

In total, the Foundation's resources allowed it to finance some 250 projects in 2007 alongside its investment in the Shoah Memorial and its programme of activities.

Roch-Olivier Maistre, president of the Financial Commission

The Shoah Memorial

Thanks to the FMS's permanent financial support, the Shoah Memorial has been able to pursue important projects with the aim of preserving the memory of the Shoah and transmitting and teaching its history.

The Memorial has developed and diversified its activity both on a national and an international level, and has broadened its remit, by increasing and training its teams and enriching and developing its archives. Projects have been set up within the context of the Memorial's development strategy, with the help of its team of specialist advisers, which will guide the Memorial in the future. In terms of the number of visitors, 2007 was an exceptional year for the Memorial; visitor numbers have returned to the level of 2005, its inaugural year.

In addition to the permanent exhibition which still brings in many visitors, two important temporary exhibitions – *The Shoah by bullet*, and *the Underground Archives of the Warsaw Ghetto* - brought in not only the Memorial's established public but more importantly, many new visitors.

The acquisition of new archives, including those of the OSE, the Jewish Scouts of France and the Union of Jewish ex Volunteers, and the continual growth of individual donations, have increased the quality and the extent of the Memorial's archives.

2007 also saw the multiplication of different activities in the realm of training and education, particulary outside Paris, with the exhibiting of various traveling exhibitions, as well as the organization of trips to Auschwitz

from eight different cities around France. Two special projects were developed in this context, one for the Communications department of the UN, the other, a remarkable French Moroccan initiative, set up by the students of three schools in Morocco and France.

On an international level, the Memorial, by creating a department devoted to International Affairs, has been able to reinforce its presence on the Task Force For International Cooperation on Holocaust Education Remembrance and Research. By developing its relationship with equivalent organizations in other countries, the Memorial has maintained its dialogue with UNESCO and the Council of Europe.

In the course of 2007 the Memorial has welcomed many visitors, including President Nicolas Sarkozy. The Memorial has also been associated with many occasions of national significance, such as the national homage to the Justes of France, on January 18th at the Pantheon.



2007 in figures

178 000 visitors in 2007 (compared with 150 000 in 2006), the Memorial has registered an increase of 19% in visitor numbers

In addition to the permanent exhibition, six new temporary exhibitions took place, three at the Memorial, and three others traveling around the country.

During the year 9 819 people took part in 121 seminars or performances (95 in 2006), whilst 1 082 groups, or 32 500 students, visited the Memorial, an increase of 30% in relation to 2006. There was an increase of 28% in visits by the police, 15% in visits by youth groups, 13% by teachers, 12% adult associations, 11% by students, 6% for Sunday guided tours and 5% by well-known visitors.

87 training programmes welcomed 4 927 participants, including 1 235 teachers.

Continuing a longstanding programme, the Memorial organised 21 trips to Auschwitz, including 11 from cities outside Paris. Intended for individuals, teachers and students, 12 of these trips were in the context of a programme specifically set up by the FMS. 3079 participants including around 500 teachers who took part in these trips. Apart from individual participants, all the participants were involved in trips

that were part of educational projects which were followed by the Memorial and which included a period of preparation.

Visitors to the reading room increased by 26% with 5 428 visitors (of which 2 144 were academics including 504 first time visitors). Finally, the library enriched its collections with a 12% addition to its holdings.

The Archive Service responded to 872 requests relating to the Wall of Names, 4 341 requests from abroad for research and welcomed 110 researchers.

The internet site of the Memorial received 234 000, a 26.4% increase on 2006.

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