

# Defending our values

In 2015, a series of attacks by Islamists plunged France into mourning. Our values and our way of life were targeted and—once again—Jews were singled out. As we commemorate the seventieth anniversary of the liberation of the Nazi camps, as we remember this victory of the civilized world over barbarity, new barbarians have brought bloodshed to our streets, killing in cold blood in the name of an ideology of hate.

In the face of these horrors, we cannot give in to fear nor to the temptation to withdraw, but must do everything in our power to defend our model of tolerance and liberty. As part of its mission and to the best of its ability, the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah aims to contribute to this combat. We have therefore bolstered our support in the combat against anti-Semitism and we will obviously continue to support education and knowledge of history. Today, more than ever, we want to transmit forcefully and with determination a message of fraternity from the survivors of the Shoah.

Within this difficult context, the Foundation also intends to work with its partners to build the future of French Judaism. In 2015, we implemented an exceptional allocation of €10 million over three years so as to contribute significantly to the financing of major projects. The goal is to support initiatives geared to strengthening French Judaism, with a particular focus on educational and cultural projects.

In opposition to those who would like to undermine the foundations of our society, we want to defend the shared values of Judaism and the <u>Republic at</u> one and the same time.

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

# Committing to the future

In 2015, the FMS decided to allocate €10 million to financing projects with a structural impact on French Judaism. For our foundation, this represents a well-thought-out and significant budgetary effort. An expression of the strong political will of our governing body, this fund is open to any organization working on a major project concerning the long-term future of Judaism in our country. It is part of the wider framework of initiatives geared to education and young people.

Following the attacks in 2015, the Foundation also made a commitment to the Fonds du 11 Janvier, a structure created under the auspices of the Fondation de France on the initiative of the Centre Français des Fonds et Fondations. This fund finances on-site initiatives with priority given to training young people and to the development of their critical thinking skills, the prevention of violence and the fight against prejudice, notably racism and anti-Semitism. Through this participation and other initiatives that its supports directly, the Foundation wants to fully engage in the general mobilization and collective effort demanded by the situation.

Another commitment, another challenge. In 2015, we commemorated the centennial of the Armenian genocide. As part of this event, the Shoah Memorial and the Camp des Milles Memorial Site hosted exhibitions on this genocide, and the Foundation supported several documentary films on the subject. Standing alongside the Armenians in their struggle against those who deny this genocide, we are convinced, as they are, that acknowledging historical fact is essential for constructing a peaceful future.

Philippe Allouche,

Executive Director of the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah







The Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah was created in 2000 in recognition of the French government's responsibility in the Shoah.

The FMS is a private and public-interest foundation. The initial endowment of €393 million came from the restitution by the government and certain financial institutions of dormant accounts from expropriated Jews living in France who were killed during the Holocaust.

With the funds generated by this endowment, the Foundation subsidizes the Shoah Memorial (in Paris and in Drancy); supports projects expanding knowledge about the Shoah; provides assistance to survivors in need; encourages the transmission of Jewish culture; and combats anti-Semitism by facilitating intercultural dialogue.



# Nearly 3,300 projects financed

Since its creation, the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah has financed almost 3,300 projects.

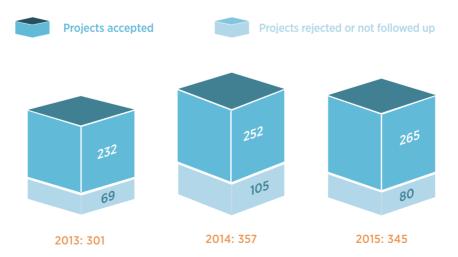
All projects submitted to the Foundation are evaluated independently, then examined by six thematic committees (History of Anti-Semitism and the Shoah, Memory and Transmission, Shoah Education, Jewish Culture, Solidarity, and Combating anti-Semitism and Support for Intercultural Dialogue) made up of volunteer experts.

Projects recommended by the committees are submitted to the Foundation's Executive Board and the Board of Directors, which determine which projects will be supported as well as the assistance to be provided.

The Financial Committee, chaired by a magistrate from the French Court of Auditors, ensures the preservation of the endowment and monitors the use of funds.



### • Number of projects handled by the Foundation



# €22 million allocated in 2015

More than €10 million went to 265 projects in 2015, representing 47 percent of the Foundation's funding budget (see details on pp. 8 and 9).

The Foundation is also the primary funding source for the Shoah Memorial. It covers roughly 60 percent of its operating and investment budget.

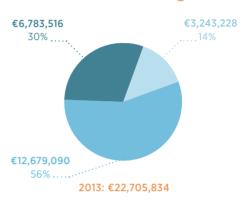
In 2015, this represented almost €8 million. Additional financing was provided for specific projects such as cataloguing and digitizing the Memorial's archives.

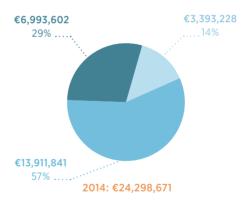
Created on an initiative from the Foundation, the Drancy Shoah Memorial was inaugurated in September 2012. The Foundation fully finances the investment and operations for this site, which is run by the Shoah Memorial staff.

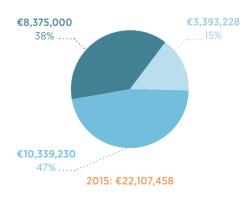
In addition, the Foundation pursues a policy of keeping operating costs under control; these represent less than 10 percent of its total budget, the same amount as in previous years.

- Shoah Memorial in Paris (operation and investments)
- Shoah Memorial in Drancy (operation and investments)
- Subsidies for projects

### Evolution in the Foundation's funding

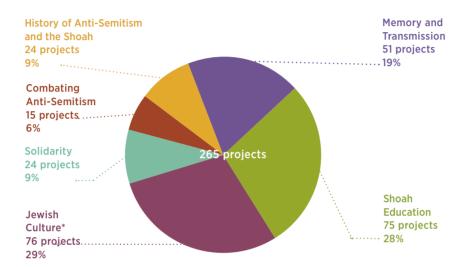






# Breakdown of projects supported in 2015

### Breakdown of projects per committee



The History of Anti-Semitism and the Shoah Committee supports research and funds the publication of reference works. In 2015, 11 researchers received grants or support for research.

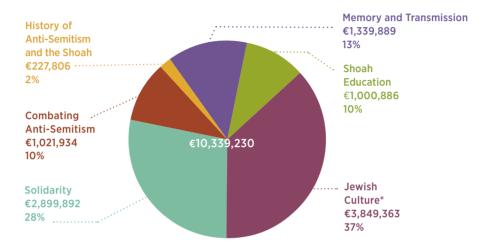
In 2015, the Memory and Transmission Committee continued to support several memorial associations and sites: the CERCIL, French Committee for Yad Vashem, the former deportation train station in Bobigny, the Maison d'Izieu and the Memorial Site of Chambonsur-Lignon. The Foundation also provided substantial assistance to

Yad Vashem's efforts to record the names of Hungarian victims of the Shoah. In addition, 19 films, including 3 feature films, were co-financed.

As it does every year, the Foundation supported many educational trips to memory sites in France and elsewhere in Europe. The travel program coordinated by the Shoah Memorial, in partnership with several regions and regional educational authorities, represents more than half of the funding allocated in the field of Shoah Education.

By pooling the FMS's contribution

### • Breakdown of funds per committee



\* Including the FMS's participation in the projects financed by the Gordin Foundation.

with that of the Gordin Foundation (p. 14), the funds attributed to Jewish Culture correspond to 18 percent of the financing allocated this year, excluding the Shoah Memorial. The Espace Culturel et Universitaire Juif d'Europe in the 11th arrondissement of Paris was one of the largest recipients in 2015.

In 2015, 28 percent of the funds were attributed within the framework of Solidarity for Shoah survivors. The Foundation renewed its support for the FSJU (Passerelles service and emergency fund), as well as for the Aloumim association that works

to help former hidden children in France who now live in Israel.

Finally, the Foundation also contributes to Combating
Anti-Semitism and support for intercultural dialogue. In 2015, it continued to finance the SPCJ (Jewish Community Protection Service) and the watchdog institute MEMRI. It has committed to a three-year contribution to the Fonds du 11 Janvier and support for LICRA, the UEJF and the CRIF for the Internet initiatives.

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# SHOAH MEMORIAL AND INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

# Permanent support for the Shoah Memorial

The Shoah Memorial is the leading partner of the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah. Thanks to permanent support from the Foundation, the Memorial has been able to develop and host an increasing number of visitors (individuals, school groups, researchers, etc.).

The FMS also funded the renovation and expansion of the Memorial, the construction of the Wall of Names bearing the names of the 76,000 Jews deported from France, and that of the Wall of the Righteous. The Shoah Memorial has an exceptional archival collection that is constantly growing and is available to researchers.



The Memorial is also an educational and training site recognized by the Ministry of National Education and the Interministerial Delegation to Combat Racism and anti-Semitism. It hosts many groups of schoolchildren and organizes study trips to Shoah sites; in addition, it offers training sessions for teachers. Other professionals (police officers, judges, etc.) can also follow specific training programs.

In conjunction with its permanent exhibition, the Memorial presented a temporary exhibition in 2015 entitled Filming the War: the Soviets and the Holocaust (1941-1946) and two other exhibitions: Enlisted Foreign Jews in the French Army During the Two World Wars and The Ottoman Empire's Genocide of the Armenians: Stigmatization, Destruction, Exclusion. Alongside these exhibitions, the Memorial presented an extensive and thorough cultural program (films, lectures, conferences).

### key figures 2015

201,600 visitors to the Shoah Memorial in Paris and 23,370 in Drancy 38,000 visits by schoolchildren 5,346 teachers trained 26 traveling exhibitions held in 79 places



Schoolchildren in front of the Wall of Names at the Shoah Memorial in Paris.



### The Shoah Memorial in Drancy

Constructed on the initiative of and with funds from the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah, the Drancy Memorial stands opposite the Cité de le Muette, the location of the Drancy internment camp—the antechamber of death for 63,000 of the 76,000 Jews deported from France.

A counterpart to the Shoah Memorial in Paris, the Drancy Memorial is an opportunity for the public to discover the site of the former camp and explore its history through an interactive exhibition.

Built on land donated by the town of Drancy, this memorial was designed by the Swiss architect Roger Diener. It has a documentation center, a conference room and classrooms for groups. It is run by staff from the Shoah Memorial and financed by the Foundation.

# Institutional partnerships

The Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah supports the three major federative institutions of French Judaism—the Unified Jewish Social Fund (Fonds Social Juif Unifié, FSJU), the Representative Council of French Jewish Institutions (Conseil Représentatif des Institutions Juives de France, CRIF) and the Central Consistory (Consistoire Central) as part of a multiannual project framework.

The agreement with the FSJU includes both social and cultural aspects (such as the online Akadem campus). The agreement with the CRIF focuses on the particular issue of combating anti-Semitism, whereas the one with the Consistory deals with education, the development of programs for youth and the improvement of rabbinical training.

In addition, the Foundation is one of the main contributors to the Jewish Community Protection Service (Service de Protection des la Communauté Juive, SPCJ), which,

in close cooperation with public authorities, oversees security in Jewish schools, religious sites and community institutions.

The FMS is a partner in the National Competition on the Resistance and Deportation (Concours National de la Résistance et de la Déportation, CNRD), along with the Ministry of National Education, the Ministry of Defense and four other major foundations that focus on the memory of World War II. Since 1961, the CNRD has brought together 40,000 middle school and first-year high school students every year.

International Holocaust
Remembrance Alliance. This
intergovernmental institution
includes 31 member countries
and 11 observer states. It promotes
research, education and memorial
initiatives concerning the Shoah.

The Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah is a member of the French Foundation Center.



### The Gordin Foundation for school buildings

The Rachel and Jacob Gordin Foundation was created in 2008 to help finance building projects for Jewish schools: acquisition of buildings, extensions, upgrading work to meet standards (see the list of projects supported in 2015, p. 40). Housed by the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah, the Gordin Foundation brings together the FSJU, the Harevim Fund, the Rothschild Foundation, the Sacta-Rashi Foundation and the FMS. A fund for Jewish schools was set up to help establishments deal with new students from public schools and from families having difficulties paying the school fees. This measure took effect in February 2016.



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# Support for research

The Foundation supports research on anti-Semitic persecution, the Shoah and other genocides. It also supports research in other disciplines such as literature, sociology, philosophy, art history, political science and the law.

The Foundation awards doctoral and postdoctoral grants and provides funding for research trips and conferences. It also contributes to the dissemination of knowledge via funding for publications and translations. Finally, it participates in the conservation and exploitation of archives

# Books on the history of anti-Semitism

In 2015, a major international conference on nineteenth-century anti-Semitism was held in Paris. with support from the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah. The Foundation provided substantial funding for the translation from Polish into French of Joanna Tokarska-Bakir's "Legends on Blood," a work in which the Polish anthropologist analyzes Christian anti-Semitism by studying the accusations of ritual crimes made against Jews over a long period (desecration of the host. murder of children), highlighting the persistence of these popular beliefs in Polish society. At the crossroads of current history, sociology and political science,



Samuel Ghiles-Meilhac focuses on contemporary anti-Semitism phenomena from an intellectual and political perspective. He received a postdoctoral grant from the FMS, as did Avishag Zafrani who studies anti-Semitism from a philosophical approach.

# Overview of 15 years supporting research

Since its creation in 2000, the Foundation has funded 145 researchers. It has awarded 109 doctoral grants and 24 postdoctoral grants, and provided research assistance to 18 people. The researchers come from France (74), Germany (30), Israel (8), Italy (8) and 16 other countries. Most of them are historians. Literary and artistic approaches, as well as the problematics of memory, are of particular interest. Genocides and the origins of contemporary anti-Semitism are also studied. Specific grants have been created within the framework of partnerships with the Institut National d'Histoire de l'Art (study of the Parisian art market during the Occupation. INHA) and the Institut Émilie du Châtelet (history of Jewish women in France during World War II and in the long post-war period). In 2015. a questionnaire was sent to former FMS grant holders. Of the 83 who responded, 36 had obtained a position in a research institution or in higher education.



Conference of grant holders from the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah at the Institut Historique Allemand, Paris, January 2016.



For our committee, research assistance is a long-term investment. We are therefore happy to note that many of the young researchers who received a grant from the Foundation have gone on to obtain jobs commensurate with their expectations. The support of the FMS has been crucial to the development of certain fields of study in France, notably research into the Rwandan genocide."

Annette Wieviorka, President of the History of Anti-Semitism and the Shoah Committee

# Projects supported



Seminar for grant holders from the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah, January 2016.

### > Doctoral grants

Roman Karmen, the Soviet vulgate of history. Strategies and modus operandi of a documentary filmmaker of 20th-century events VICTOR BARBAT Université Paris I

A new life in a new country. Migration trajectories of young Shoah survivors in Canada (1945-1952)
Antoine Burgard

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Writings on catastrophe, writings on survival. Personal journals from the siege of Leningrad, 1941-1944

SARAH GRUSZKA Université Paris IV

Female characters dealing with history and memory in Yiddish and Russian novels after 1930 (Israel Joshua Singer, Isaac Bashevis Singer, Moishe Kulbak, Andrei Platonov, Vasily Grossman) CÉCILE ROUSSELET Liniversité Paris III

### > Postdoctoral grants

Political and scientific challenges in assessing contemporary anti-Semitic phenomena: balancing documentation, disagreement, recognition and analysis SAMUEL GHILES-MEILHAC EHESS, CADIS

The future of recognition.
A socio-philosophical analysis of
German reparations since 1990
JOËLLE HECKER
Sciences Po Paris. CERI

Soviet trial of war criminals, Shoah and media coverage (1943-1980) VANESSA VOISIN CNRS. ARIAS

From metaphysical anti-Semitism to globalized anti-Semitism AVISHAG ZAFRANI Université Paris V

# > Funding and support for research trips

Research project on North African Jews during World War II

Ben-Zvi Institute, Documentation Center of North African Jewry during World War II, Jerusalem

Claiming one's history and genealogy after the Shoah: psychic transmission after a genealogical crime MURIEL KATZ GILBERT

University of Lausanne

Extension of Aktion Reinhardt in Trieste (September 1943 - April 1945): the network and its operation

Taja Kramberger EHESS CRH

Jewish prisoners of war from the French army 1940-1945

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### > Publications, translations

Publication of the complete works of BERNARD LAZARE Edited by PHILIPPE ORIOL

Éditions du Sandre

Le Moment Eichmann

Dir. Sylvie Lindeperg and Annette

WIEVIORKA Éditions Albin Michel

Translation into French
Le Juif qui savait. Wilno-Jérusalem:
la figure légendaire d'Abba Kovner
DINA PORAT
Éditions le Bord de l'Eau

Légendes du sang. Pour une anthropologie de l'antisémitisme chrétien JOANNA TOKARSKA-BAKIR Éditions Albin Michel

### > Symposia, seminars and lectures

20th Workshop on History and Memory of National Socialist Concentration Camps. Occupation, Forced Labor, Extermination.

Association Kontakte-Kohtaktbl, Berlin

History and historiography of the Shoah - Seminar 2015-2016

EHESS, Centre de Recherches Hisstoriques / CNRS

Seminar for grant holders

Anti-Semitism in the 19th century: international perspectives
Institut Historique Allemand, Paris / Fondation Max Weber. Berlin

Catholicism, racism and totalitarianism: *Mit brennender Sorge* encyclical (1937) Université de Bretagne Occidentale, Centre de Recherche Bretonne et Celtique

Suppressed Historiography, Erased Memory?

The Perception of the Shoah in East Central Europe during Socialist Rule University of Halle (Germany), Aleksander Brückner Center for Polish Studies

Material evidence of mass death. The exhumed object

Université Paris I, IRICE

Representing the Shoah after 1989: ideas, poetry, images. From France to Poland

Université Paris IV. UFR d'Études Slaves







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# Bringing memory to life

Remembering the history of the Shoah and its implications is a priority for the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah. It therefore supports memorial initiatives (commemorations, plaques, memorial stones) and projects that transmit this history, including those that illuminate little-known aspects. These include books, films, exhibitions, plays and audiovisual witness accounts. The Foundation also supports most of the major museum projects concerning the

internment, deportation and rescue of Jews in France

In addition, it also contributes to the conservation and transmission of witness accounts. Since 2004. the Foundation has been publishing a series of Shoah testimonies (see p. 26). It also supports the activities of the Auschwitz Survivors' Union and the French Committee for Yad Vashem, which produces essential work on memory and education.



CERCIL. the Memorial Museum to the children of Vél d'Hiv. in Orléans.



Memory sites and associations work hard, day in and day out, to disseminate the history of the Shoah and that of the rescue of Jews in France. We support them wholeheartedly. We are also happy to support many artistic initiatives that transmit this history in an innovative way, with strength and sensitivity."

> Serge Klarsfeld, President of the Memory and Transmission Committee



Les regards, a work by Christian Boltanski presented during the exhibition "Retour sur l'Abîme" in 2015.

# Art as a vehicle of memory

In the very worst of the turmoil, artistic activity represented a form of resistance and an act of witnessing, as illustrated by the works made by people interned at the Camp des Milles and the gouaches painted by German artist Charlotte Salomon, before she was arrested and then deported. In 2015, visitors to the exhibition "Retour Sur l'Abîme"

could see that art is also a way of expressing a traumatic memory, an attempt to fill the void left by the Shoah and to question the impact of this event on our societies. Similarly, art can temporarily bring back to life the world of those who are long gone, their language and the music. The film *Le Maestro* follows the quest of Francesco Lotoro, a passionate pianist who has been tracking down scores and compositions written by deported composers and then arranging, recording and performing them so that their final statements can resonate again.

# Projects supported

### > Memory sites and associations

Placement of memorial stones in Antwerp, Liège and Brussels for children of Izieu who came from Belgium Association for the Memory of the Shoah in Belgium

Renovation of the former deportation station in Bobigny

Landscape and spatial design City of Bobigny

Cultural, educational and research activities 2016-2017

CERCIL - Memorial Museum to the Children of Vél' d'Hiv'

2016 cultural program

Memorial Site of Chambon-sur-Lignon

Introduction of an audioguide system and translation of the exhibition catalogue Maison d'Izieu

Program on the history of the Roma Deportee Memorial in Mayenne

Construction at Saint Sixte of a Memorial for the Roma, victims of Nazi barbarism Union Française des Associations Tsiganes

European project "Convoi 77" Association of Families and Deportees in Convoy 77

Recognition initiatives for the Righteous 2016-2017

French Committee for Yad Vashem

Gathering the names of Hungarian victims of the Shoah

Yad Vashem

### > Audiovisual productions

Je reviendrai

JEAN BARAT Injam Production

Rawa Ruska. le camp des évadés

Chochana Boukhobza Les Films d'Ici

Récits du camp des Milles: l'engrenage fatal

Antony Fayada and Renaud Lavergne Comic Strip Production

On ne s'est pas laissé faire. Jeunes femmes juives communistes dans la Résistance

Hannes Gellner Gellner Films

Stony Paths

ARNAUD KHAYADJANIAN

Drancy 1943: The Big Escape

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Voyage en Anatolie

BERNARD MANGIANTE Les films du Balibari

Les IIII Is du Daliba

L'Arbre

HAKOB MELKONYAN Cinergie Productions

Young et moi, Tomer Sisley sur les traces du boxeur d'Auschwitz

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Le maquis des Juifs

ARIEL NATHAN Delaprod

Le combattant de la paix, Benjamin

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MICHAËL PRAZAN Kuiv Productions

Das Reich, une division SS en France

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Vichy, la mémoire empoisonnée

MICHAËL PRAZAN Talweg Production

Le survivant matricule 157279

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Le kaddish des orphelins

ARNAUD SAULI Dublin Films

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### > Publications

À travers les veux d'une fille de 12 ans JANINA HESCHELES ALTMAN Éditions Classiques Garnier

Drancy 1942-1943. Journal d'un interné GEORGES HORAN Éditions Créaphis

Et tout s'effondre. Journal du camp de Vuaht

KLAARTJE DE ZWARTE-WALVISCH Notes de Nuit Éditions

Vie ? ou Théâtre ? CHARLOTTE SALOMON Éditions Le Tripode

Entre les murs du ahetto de Wilno YITSKHOK RUDASHEVSKI Éditions de l'Antilope

Comic book A Righteous David Cénou and Patrice Guillon Éditions La Boîte à Bulles

### > Exhibitions and cultural events

Exhibition "Retour sur l'abîme" Le 19, Centre Régional d'Art Contemporain, **Belfort** 

Exhibition "Les Juifs dans la Résistance" Photos by AMAL BUZIARSIST Association L'Exposition

Bilingual exhibition "Saving the Children, 1938-1945"

OSE / Beit Lohamei Hagetaot Museum

Presentation of the results of the "Mémoires à venir" survey FMS / Foundation For Political Innovation

Commemorating the Righteous of the town of Romans LICRA

Conference Des villes et des Justes Association Moissac, ville des Justes Oubliées

Lecture-debate Et les enfants furest sauvés

Association Morial





a. Photograph from the exhibition "The Fate of Children. History of the Children's Homes at Chambon-sur-Lignon." b. Stony Paths. a film by Arnaud Khayadjanian. c. Valentine Leyser in Le petit chaperon Uf, by Jean-Claude Grumberg.

Retreat and concert Mémoires Juives en Limousin

### > Theater and concerts

Yiddish Follies, musical by Ben Zimet Association Lacs Roses

Le petit chaperon Uf by Compagnie Théâtre H

Concert-reading Le chant du peuple juif assassiné

Le Théâtre en l'Air

Seventh Festival Voix étouffées Forum Voix étouffées - CEMUT

CD Recording by the Mit A Tam Choir Union des Engagés Volontaires Anciens Combattants Juifs, Enfants et Amis

### > Commemorations

Tenou'a special issue on Yom HaShoah 2015

Association Tenou'a

Yom HaShoah ceremony Centre Culturel Judéo-Espagnol Al Syete

Trip to Israel by 20 descendants of the Righteous during Yom HaShoah Fondation France Israël

# "Testimonies of the Shoah" series

The "Testimonies of the Shoah" series publishes the accounts of Jews persecuted by the Nazis and their collaborators. Whether they were deported interned or hidden during the war, the authors recount their personal experiences, shedding additional light on the various aspects of the unprecedented crime of the Shoah

The series provides the public with texts that have not been published before or that have become unavailable

Each testimony is examined by a reading committee chaired by Serge Klarsfeld that includes Shoah witnesses and historians.

Published by Le Manuscrit, in partnership with Storylab, the testimonies are available in a selection of bookstores and on the Internet, in paper or digital format. The series now has more than 75 works



The first Shoah Memorial book fair was a great success. Several authors in the "Testimonies of the Shoah" series participated.

### Reading committee

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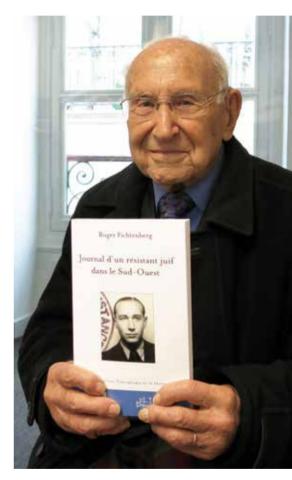
# Books published in 2015

### Journal d'un résistant juif dans le Sud-Ouest

### ROGER FICHTENBERG

After taking refuge with his family some 25 kilometers northeast of Vichy, Roger Fichtenberg joined the Resistance in 1942, and co-founded the "Sixth." the underground movement of the Jewish Scouts of France. From Moissac (Tarnet-Garonne), the organization worked to save thousands of Jewish children. Roger braved dangerfalse IDs, hideouts, border crossings, distribution of tracts—traveling throughout southern France. An FFI staff member for the Lot-et-Garonne, he participated in the liberation of Agen. Drawing on his notes from the war years, he recounts his exemplary journey as a young Jewish man in the French Resistance.

Preface by Serge Klarsfeld, annotated by Katy Hazan September 2015 – 180 pages, 69 illustrations



Roger Fichtenberg presenting his book.

### **Translation** Dismiss the Black Butterflies (Chassez les papillons noirs)

### SARAH LICHTSZTEJN-MONTARD



For more than 25 years, Sarah Lichtsztein-Montard has been telling the story of what she experienced during World War II How

with her mother, she escaped from the Vél' d'Hiv the first night following the roundup on July 16, 1942; how in May 1944 a denunciation plunged them into the heart of the Nazi maelstrom—Drancy, the hell of Auschwitz-Birkenau, then Bergen-Belsen, from which they were liberated on April 15, 1945. In this book, Sarah chose to write to her loved ones, closest to her heart. combining the story of her life as a woman and a mother profoundly impacted by the Shoah and that of her shattered adolescence. It is a universal message of courage and hope.

Preface by Serge Klarsfeld, postface by Carol Mann, translation by Isabel Wolff-Perry May 2015 (first French edition: March 2011) - 324 pages, 59 illustrations

### **New edition** From Drancy to Bergen-Belsen 1944-1945 Souvenirs of a deported child

JACQUES SAUREL



Jacques Saurel was born in Paris in 1933 to a Jewish family that had recently emigrated from Poland, During the war. Jacques' father was taken as

a prisoner of war, so that his family was initially not too worried. But in February 1944, Jacques, his brother, his elder sister and his mother were interned at Drancy for three months. They were deported as hostages to the "Star camp" at Bergen-Belsen. Thanks to the love and sacrifice of their mother, the children were able to survive the impossible conditions of the camp. With the arrival of prisoners from camps to the east. Bergen-Belsen became a veritable deathtrap. In April 1945, Jacques and his family were evacuated aboard a "ghost train." As the train meandered for 14 days. half of the 2.000 Jews in the convov would die. Suffering from typhus. Jacques and his sister would not return to France until June 23, 1945.

Preface by Raymond Riquier May 2015 (first edition in 2006) 194 pages, 50 illustrations

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# Teaching the history of the Shoah

The Foundation encourages the transmission of the history of the Shoah to schoolchildren.

It supports educational initiatives and the organization of training sessions for professors. As a partner of the National Competition on the Resistance and Deportation (CNRD), it participates in the creation of educational resources.

The Foundation finances, directly or via the Shoah Memorial, many school trips to memory sites in France and throughout Europe. Special attention is paid to the preparation of these trips and to the reports and work done afterward. A sociological study is underway to assess the long-term impact of these trips; the findings will be presented in 2017.



High school students from Île-de-France visiting Auschwitz-Birke-



It's true that the Internet is like an amplifier for the most toxic theories around, but more than anything, it is a tremendous tool for communication, sharing and cooperation. With the Internet, teachers and students can access extensive and valuable educational resources, including those of the Shoah Memorial, the 115 witness accounts available on the INA website and the two online documentaries made by the Reseau Canopé with our support. It also offers an original way of expanding and showcasing student work created as part of a school project, particularly on a school trip to a Shoah memory site."

> Gilles Braun. President of the Shoah Education Committee

# European memories of the Nazi camps

This online documentary offers teachers a theoretical approach to the problems related to teaching the history of the deportations and the Nazi death camps. It also places these issues in a contemporary context with an emphasis on civic education. From a European perspective, the online documentary examines the memory sites and how they are used, the role of witness accounts and of memorial associations, the forms of commemoration and educational practices. Educational professionals, directors of non-profits and camp survivors are featured in the documentary, which was directed by Bernard Obermosser and Jean-Louis Roussel and produced by the Haute et Basse-Normandie regional branch of the Réseau Canopé, with funding from the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah.









# Projects supported

### > Training

The annihilation of European Judaism.

Memory and transmission
ISEM Beth Riyka Yerres Essonne

Shoah Archives: Krakow, Auschwitz-Birkenau

Paris VIII University

### > Audiovisual productions

Audio book - *If This Is a Man*, by Primo Levi Éditions Audiolib

Online documentary – European memories of the Nazi camps

Canopé / Académies of Rouen and Caen

Audiovisual guide to the exhibition/workshop "Jewish children in Paris, 1939-1945"

Yad Layeled France

### > Educational and cultural projects

Conference Germaine Tillion Association Germaine Tillion, Mémoires d'Allègre

Theater – *Une petite fille privilégiée*, after Francine Christophe
Amis de la Fondation pour la Mémoire de la Déportation. Guvancourt, Yvelines

Historical and memory project on the theme of hidden children

Collège Louis Launay, Landivy, Mayenne

Short animated film inspired by the lives of the children of Izieu

Collège Marcel Aymé, Dagneux, Ain

Theater – *Né sous une bonne étoile*, by Emmanuelle Lévy Compagnie 25 Watts

Espace Vital (Lebensraum) by Israël Horovitz

Art project based on the play Compagnie Hercub'

International conference Semer quelques graines pour qu'ils deviennent des citoyens actifs Lycée Thierry Maulnier, Nice, Alpes-Maritimes

David Vogel, itinerary of an uprooted writer and poet

Performance and publication Lycées Louis-le-Grand, Janson-de-Sailly and Yabne. Paris

Le cabaret interdit
Pedagogical project and musical
Symphony Orchestra of Brittany, Rennes

### > School trips

School trips and teacher training: 2015-2016 campaign Shoah Memorial

History and memory of the Shoah and the Resistance

Lycée Henri Bergson, Angers, Maine-et-Loire

Memory of deportation Lycée Jean Moulin Angers, Maine-et-Loire

Jewish life and the Shoah in Poland Lycée général Saint-Martin / Lycée Général et Technologique Urbain Mongazon, Angers, Maine-et-l oire

Memory of the Shoah Lycée Professionnel du Bâtiment Sillac, Angoulême, Charente

Raising awareness and teaching young people about the history of the Shoah Lycée Saint Benoist de l'Europe, Bagnolet, Seine-Saint-Denis

Bazas-Krakow. Examining history, examining memory

Memories from the Shoah

Lycée Anatole de Monzie, Bazas, Gironde

Lycée Arbez Carme, Bellignat, Ain War of annihilation: from Verdun to

**Struthof** Lycée Alain Fournier, Bourges, Cher

Resisting through art and literature Lycée Alain Fournier, Bourges, Cher

The process of human and cultural annihilation

Lycée Édouard Branly, Châtellerault, Vienne

Number 35494: memory and responsibility Lycée la Prat's Cluny, Saône-et-Loire

Jews and Roma in Europe: Shoah and Samudaripen, comparative study Association Les Sentiers de la Mémoire / Lycée Charles-François Lebrun, Coutances, Manche

History, memory and transmission Lycées Ozar Hatorah, Créteil, Val-de-Marne - Sarcelles, Val-d'Oise

In the footsteps of the Righteous of the Nations

Lycées Ozar Hatorah (girls' school), Créteil, Val-de-Marne, Paris, Sarcelles, Val-d'Oise

From the last direct survivor accounts to published accounts

Lycées Ozar Hatorah (girls' school) Créteil, Val-de-Marne, Paris, Sarcelles, Val-d'Oise

# Living in places of confinement and internment (1940-1944)

Lycée Professionnel François Cevert, Écully, Rhône

### Europe, from war to peace

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

Visit to the Shoah Memorial Museum Lycée Louis Aragon, Giyors, Rhône

# Children and adolescents in the Shoah. From memory to the future

Lycée Professionnel Danielle Casanova, Givors, Rhône

# The Shoah, from La Baule to Auschwitz and Berlin

Collège Grand Air, La Baule, Loire-Atlantique

# Memory and history of the Shoah: links to literature

Lycée Grand Air, La Baule, Loire-Atlantique

# 70th anniversary of the liberation of the camps and a return to life

Lycées Fénelon-Notre Dame, Pierre Doriole, Saint Exupery, La Rochelle, Charente-Maritime

### Trip to Poland

Lycée Merkaz Hatorah, Le Raincy, Seine-Saint-Denis

### Social, cultural and historical aspects of Lesser Poland

Lycée agricole, Le Subdray, Cher

Visit to the Maison des Enfants d'Izieu Association Eolo, Lyon, Rhône

### Study and memory trip to Auschwitz-Birkenau

Département du Rhône, Lyon, Rhône

### Study trip

Institution Notre Dame des Minimes, Lyon, Rhône

### Study and memory trip to Auschwitz-Birkenau

City of Lyon, Rhône

# Extermination camps and Jewish life before the Shoah

Lycée ORT Bramson, Marseille, Bouches-du-Rhône

### Itinerary of a bitter memory

Lycée de la communication, Metz, Moselle

# In the footsteps of the genocide of European Jews

Lycée Victor Duruy, Mont-de-Marsan, Landes

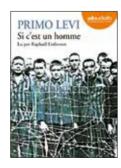
### Two trips to Shoah memory sites Lycée ORT Daniel Mayer, Montreuil, Seine-Saint-Denis



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a. Primary schoolchildren working on the show *Le Cabaret Interdit*. b. Study trip to Auschwitz-Birkenau.

# Witness accounts from a family during the Shoah

Collège Condorcet, Nailloux, Haute-Garonne

The Camp des Milles: remember and recount

Collège Georges Brassens, Narbonne, Aude

The lives of Jewish children during the war and the Occupation in France Collège Georges Brassens, Narbonne, Aude



On May 8, 2015, the winners of the National Competition on the Resistance and Deportation. a competition supporting education about the Resistance and deportations, received their awards from the French president. The CNRD is undergoing renovations to expand its capacity to host students and teaching teams.

Deportation and extermination: in the footsteps of the Shoah

Lycée Jean Macé, Niort, Deux-Sèvres

History and memory

Lycée Paul Painlevé, Oyonnax, Ain

Genocide and the duty of memory at Auschwitz-Rirkenau

Lycée Saint Exupéry, Parentis-en-Born, Landes

Trip to Auschwitz

Aumônerie Israélite des Armées, Paris

Two school trips to Poland Institutions Sinaï. Paris

Trip to Poland for the transmission of the memory of Jewish culture and the Shoah Lycée Georges Brassens, Paris

The history and memory of contemporary conflicts since 1870

Lycée Professionnel René Cassin, Paris

Twentieth-century genocides Lycée Georges Leven, Paris

In the footsteps of European Jews in

Lvcée Yabne, Paris

Resistance to the Shoah in France Collège André Malraux, Paron, Yonne

The duty of memory and European citizenship

Lycée Pablo Picasso, Perpignan, Pyrénées-Orientales

Surviving in the prisons and camps Lycée Général et Technologique Agricole Le Gros Chêne, Pontivy, Morbihan

The memory of the Shoah, the Resistance, secularism

Lycée Professionnel Gilles Jasmin, Rochefort, Charente-Maritime

History and memory Krakow-Auschwitz Lycée Professionnel Claude Lehec. Saint-Hilaire-du-Harcouët, Manche

Persecution of a Jewish family in Soissons: Nathan Lewkowicz, a child in the night Lycée Saint Rémy, Soissons, Aisne

We need a ghost: art and resistance. Terezin, Prague

Lycée Jean Rostand, Strasbourg, Bas-Rhin

Survive, resist, die. Jews in the General Government of Poland 1940-1945 Lycée Polyvalent Ella Fitzgerald, Saint-

Twentieth-century genocides Lycée des Métiers Hélène Boucher, Toulouse, Haute-Garonne

Romain-en-Gal, Rhône

Trip to Paris, Drancy, Krakow, Auschwitz-Birkenau and Warsaw

Lycée Professionnel Dinah Derycke, Villeneuve-d'Asca, Nord

School trip to Poland Lycée ORT, Villiers-le-Bel, Val-d'Oise

A memory for today Lycée Grégor Mendel Vincennes, Val-de-Marne

March of the Living. From destruction to rebirth. Poland 2015 FSJU / MDV France

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### Transmission of Jewish Culture

From the very start, the Foundation has been committed to transmitting and making the best possible use of the thousand-vear-old legacy of Judaism—entire segments of which were annihilated during the Shoah.

The Foundation supports all aspects of Judaism in its diversity, with a special emphasis on education. to ensure the transmission of Jewish culture from generation to generation. It thus supports training programs for teachers and directors of vouth movements, as well as pedagogical projects for Jewish and

Talmud Torah schools.

On a broader level, the Foundation also helps to promote Jewish culture in society at large by funding cultural events and series of classes and lectures for the general public.

It is especially attuned to initiatives that promote Yiddish and Judeo-Spanish cultures and languages.

Finally, it supports **Jewish studies** through research grants and by encouraging the translation of major Jewish texts.



Given this particularly difficult year, youth people and education remain the priorities of the Jewish Culture Committee. With its institutional and associative partners, the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah is focused on working for the future of French Judaism. This involves ambitious projects as well as ones more limited in scope in the field, proposed by people with relevant interests. I would like to thank these dedicated professionals and these volunteers who are involved in day-to-day initiatives to transmit and keep Judaism and Jewish culture alive."

> Laurence Sigal, President of the Jewish Culture Committee



Friendly get-together at the Moishe House in Paris.

### Building the future of French Judaism

The Foundation supports multiple projects that aim to transmit Judaism and Jewish culture. starting at a very young age. It funds the development of innovative educational methods, the creation of age-specific books and new online tools to foster the learning of Hebrew and the availability of seminal Jewish texts. For young adults, in 2015 the Foundation supported the Beth Loubavitch traveling workshops for students and the creation of a new Moishe House in Paris. The two projects, each in their own way, are adapted to the various needs and

expectations of young Jews. For several years now, the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah has also allocated considerable funds for the training of future leaders of the Jewish community. In addition, it also supports, within the framework of the Gordin Foundation, real-estate projects for Jewish schools. In 2015, the FMS created a three-year €10 million fund so as to provide significant financing for projects that have a structural impact on French Judaism. This year, it allocated funds to the Espace Culturel et Universitaire Juif d'Europe in the 11th arrondissement of Paris. With all of these initiatives, the Foundation stands side by side with all those who, day after day, are building the future of French Judaism.

# Projects supported

#### > Grants and research

### Sophie Kessler-Mesquich doctoral grant:

Charles Baudelaire's poetry in modern Hebrew: criticism and translations (late 19th century to the present)

DORY MANOR, INALCO

### Emeric Deutsch doctoral grant:

The Yiddish author and the question of a literary public, from Mendele Moykher Sforim to Oser Warszawski

LAFTITIA TORDIMAN, Université Paris III

### Nelly Hansson doctoral grant:

The expression of musical theory in medieval Jewish science: Provencal sources (12th-15th centuries)

ALEXANDRE CERVEUX, École Pratique des Hautes Études / Université Paris IV

### Support for research

Hebrew manuscripts in the Bibliothèque Nationale de France: Kabbalah manuscripts

CRISTINA CIUCU.

Comité de Paléographie Hébraïque

### > Archives and symposia

Conservation and digitization of audiovisual archives by André Chouraqui Beamlight

Rachel Network.

Emergency assistance

Réseau Européen des Bibliothèques Judaica et Hebraica

Seminars - Confusion concerning the history of North African Jews - new perspectives Société d'Histoire des Juifs de Tunisie et d'Afrique du Nord

### > Publications, translations

Michné Torah, Séfer HaMada and Sefer Ahava Translation and publication

**Beth Loubavitch** 

Notebook of songs Mir Zingen Centre Medem-Arbeter Ring

La Meguila d'Itsik

Centre Medem-Arbeter Ring

Panim el Panim series:

- Dialogue, Tradition, Traduction. Choix de

lettres: 1919-1929

MARTIN BUBER and FRANZ ROSENZWEIG

- Germanité et judéïté

HERMANN COHEN

- Quelques mots sur la littérature rabbinique LEOPOLD ZUNZ
- Livre de la Source de vie SALOMON IBN GABIROL
- Du rêve à l'utopie. Entretiens philosophiques ERNST BLOCH

Éditions Hermann

Les Juifs d'Algérie, une histoire de ruptures Dir. Joëlle Allouche-Benayoun and Geneviève

Presses Universitaires de Provence

L'Art en fête (volume 4) Chabbat et Roch 'Hodech

Association pour la Diffusion de la Culture Juive

Juifs d'Algérie 1830-1907. Inventaire des archives consistoriales et bibliographie RICHARD AYOUN Éditions Peeters

Martin Buber, sentinelle de l'humanité DOMINIQUE BOUREL

Éditions Albin Michel Victor Eskenazi. Un gentleman ottoman.

Autobiographie Translation and publication Lior éditions

Teaching materials for the Michnah and the Guemara

Rav Havmann Bonavich Educational Services

Translation, adaptation and publication of textbooks on Jewish subjects Halacha Education Center

La vie picaresque d'Eliva Karmona. Autobiographie

Bilingual edition French/Judeo-Spanish Lior éditions

L'accent, traces de l'exil

Conference proceedings,

Fd. CÉLINE MASSON Éditions Hermann

Les sept mendiants.

Tales by Rabbi Nahman de Bratslav Translation and publication

Éditions Berg international

Les grands auteurs juifs de la littérature française au 19º siècle

Ed. Maurice Samuels Éditions Hermann

Migraoth guedoloth français-hébreu volumes 4 et 5

Translation and publication

Éditions Gallia

Au cœur du verset. Initiation au commentaire midrachique en 52 leçons

David Saada Éditions In Press

Éditions Chandeigne

La découverte des Marranes Samuel Schwarz

Connaissance des Arts special issue: Musée d'Art et d'Histoire du Judaïsme SFPA – Connaissance des Arts

### > Training, education, youth

Curriculum of Jewish studies in middle school

Alliance Israélite Universelle

Knowledge about the Jewish world, Training for National Education inspectors and directors

Alliance Israélite Universelle

Learning Hebrew: Ulpan in Bordeaux Association Culturelle Israélite de la Gironde

Guarantee the future of our students. roving course program for students
Beth Loubavitch Étudiants

**Jewish women studies.** Developed 2015-2016 Beth Midrach Lenachim

Renovation of the Espace Culturel et Universitaire Juif d'Europe Centre Communautaire de Paris

Ulpan, Beth Halimoud and seminars Centre Communautaire de Paris

Center for Jewish culture and languages Development of courses Centre Medem-Arbeter Ring

Université populaire du Medem

Centre Medem-Arbeter Ring

Creation of a web teaching platform Centre National de Pédagogie Juive - IETC

Adult education for rabbis Consistory of Paris

Launch of e-learning program for Talmud Torah students

Consistory of Paris

Trip to Argentina – Mission Ledor Vador Éclaireuses, Éclaireurs Israélites de France

Jamboree trip to Japan - Perspectives of French Jews

Éclaireuses, Éclaireurs Israélites de France

Development, 2015-2016 École Juive Moderne

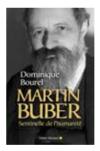
Support for development École Levinas



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a. Image from the film *Mir kumen on* (We are Coming), by Aleksander Ford in 1935 in Poland. b. Maison d'Études Juives au Féminin.

School projects

The round of Jewish festivals École Tachbar Hazon Aaron, Sarcelles

Study of Jewish youth in France  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{FMS}}$ 

Judaism Chair and social action Institut Universitaire d'Études Juives Elie Wiesel

New courses and curriculum Institut Universitaire d'Études Juives Elie Wiesel

### 2015 Limmud Conference

Limmud

Kindershul, workshops for children Maison de la Culture Yiddish

### Opening of a second Moishe House in Paris

Moishe House

Program for training directors 2014-2015 UEJE

### Development of courses

Université Populaire du Judaïsme

#### Pedagogical activity

Reporters, an intergenerational project on Jewish history in 1st grade

Youpiloop

### > Cultural activities

### Development of activities

Aki Estamos - Association des Amis de la Lettre Sépharade

### Festival: Anima chez les Romanès

Anima et Cie

### Jewish Culture Days

Association Hebraica de Toulouse

### Festival of Israelia film in Paris

Association Kolnoah

### 2015 program for the Cultural Center

Jules Isaac Cultural Center - Beit Yacov. Clermont-Ferrand

### Al Svete, 2015-2016 activities

Centre Culturel Popincourt - Al Syete

### International Festival of Jewish Music

Espace Hillel, Lyon

### Eighth summer university on Yiddish literature and language

Maison de la Culture Yiddish

### Exhibition "Treasures of the Jewish Ghetto of Venice'

Musée d'Art et d'Histoire du Judaïsme

Exhibition "Moses, paintings of a prophet" Musée d'Art et d'Histoire du Judaïsme

Donation of a statue of Captain Alfred Dreyfus to the city of Tel Aviv

Institut Français d'Israël

### > Audiovisual productions

La prophétie par la Haphtarah Recording of lectures

d'Armand Abécassis

Éditions Art Video

Vienne avant la nuit

ROBERT BOBER

Films du Poisson

Restoration of the treasures of Yiddish cinema and release of a DVD

Lobster Films

### > Real-estate projects supported by the Gordin Foundation

Boiler replacement

(5 schools)

Ozar Hatorah group

### Construction of kitchens and a cafeteria

École Beth Israel.

Épinay-sur-Seine

### Construction of a building (additional request)

Beth Menahem.

Fontenav-sous-Bois

### Emergency aid

École Merkaz Hatorah, Gagny

### Renovation work at the Collège Beth

Hillel

Institutions Sinaï.

Levallois-Perret

### Move to new premises

École Levinas, Paris 4th

### Air conditioning and renovation of

classrooms

Alliance Gustave Leven FNIO. Paris 16th

### Renovation work

Groupe Scolaire Rachi.

Paris 17th

### Bringing the kitchen up to standards, renovation, increased security

École Lucien de Hirsch.

Paris 19th

### Renovation of sanitary facilities

École Cohen Tenoudii.

Savigny-sur-Orge



Moses Looking at the Promised Land Before His Death, Lesser Ury, 1928. Painting shown as part of the exhibition "Moses, paintings of a prophet" at the Musée d'Art et d'Histoire du Judaïsme.

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# Support for Shoah survivors

Solidarity toward Shoah survivors and those who suffered anti-Semitic persecution is one of the main priorities of the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah.

The Foundation finances specific programs established by social and medical institutions. These programs aim to meet the needs of Shoah survivors by offering specific services: listening, guidance, psychological support, emergency financial assistance for people in need, home care service. support services for individuals with Alzheimer's, assisted-living residences.

The Foundation also works to reduce the isolation of survivors by supporting associations that offer them group activities and cultural events. Today, approximately 3,000 Shoah survivors may benefit from these specific services.

Furthermore, the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah provides assistance for survivors in Israel and Eastern Europe, particularly for those in the most critical situations, via programs set up by charitable organizations.



Helping Shoah survivors is a moral duty, and we do not have very much time left to complete this mission. While the number of former deportees is inevitably declining, thousands of former hidden children are now facing loss of autonomy, isolation and health problems. Furthermore, the resurgence of anti-Semitism and the terrorist violence are reactivating suffering and trauma that have never fully abated. To face these increasing needs, it is crucial to work together with all our partners (health institutions and associations) and move forward together. We must remain attentive to these survivors and make sure that wherever they are, they can be in a suitable, welcoming environment."

> Anne-Carole Bensadon, President of the Solidarity Committee

### Listening to survivors

Passerelles is a national support service for Shoah survivors provided by the FSJU, with funding from the FMS. The Passerelles staff listens to survivors and their families to analyze their needs, inform them of their rights, help them with administrative procedures and guide them to services that correspond to their specific health situations. With individual and regular follow-ups, the professionals and volunteers maintain a link to the most isolated and vulnerable survivors. With regional branches in Lyon, Nice, Marseille, Strasbourg and Toulouse, Passerelles also administers an emergency fund to provide specific help to survivors in need so that they can cope with exceptional expenses (housing assistance, medical or dental expenses, expense due to death of a spouse). Since 2002, the Foundation has paid approximately €2 million to this specific fund. The Passerelles service is available throughout all of France via a toll-free number: 0 800 39 45 00.

# Israel: Aid to former hidden children in France

Aloumim is an Israeli association for Shoah survivors who were hidden in France during the Occupation. In conjunction with its remembrance work. Aloumim provides health care services to its most disadvantages members. Working with volunteers and a network of professionals (doctors, psychotherapists, psychiatrists, social workers), the association grants one-off or regular assistance to people in need, who are often isolated and, for many of them, suffering from serious illnesses: Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, etc. This financial assistance helps to cover their medical and paramedical costs, housing costs and exceptional expenses. The association has 700 members, 100 of which received aid in late 2015. The Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah has been funding Aloumim since 2003. In 2015, the FMS renewed its support for two years.

Berthe Badehi is a member of Aloumim. Standing in front of the Yad Vashem Wall of the Righteous in Jerusalem, she pays tribute to Marie Massonnat, the woman who hid her during the war.



# Projects supported

### > Listening, guidance and psychological support

Passerelles. Listening and quidance services 2015-2016 **FSJU** 

Individual psychological support services OSE

Discussion and activity groups for the "Listening, Memory and History" services OSE

### > Health insurance, emergency assistance

Complementary health insurance CASIP

Emergency fund for Shoah survivors 2015-2016 FS III

### > Social activities

Lectures, encounters and support for people in need Amicale des Anciens et Sympathisants de l'OSE

"Bel Été" program in Marseille CASIM

Intergenerational activities and combating isolation Centre Medem-Arbeter Ring

Cultural activities and fostering social connections Cercle Bernard Lazare

"Bel Été" program of cultural and recreational activities FS II I

Extension of the Café des Psaumes project OSE

Farband activities USJF-Farband

### > Home care services

Specific home care services for Shoah survivors LogiVitae

Respite stay Association Dessine-Moi Mon Rénit

### > Caretakers at EPHAD

Kecher program for caretakers in nursing homes CASIP

### > Alzheimer's outpatient care

Alzheimer's outpatient care and platform for caregivers OSE

### > Support for survivors in Israel

Support for former hidden children in France now living in Israel 2016-2017 Aloumim

Legal aid for Shoah survivors

The Elga Cegla Clinical Legal Programs, University of Tel Aviv

Distribution of food packages and home visits The Jaffa Institute

Screening for ocular disorder and blindness prevention for Shoah survivors Lirot

### > Support for survivors in Eastern Europe

Alzheimer's outpatient care Hesed Avraham Welfare Center, Saint Petersburg

In cooperation with the American Joint Distribution Committee:

Support for social services Jewish community of Estonia

Support for social services Jewish community of Athens, Greece

Support for social services Jewish community of Riga,







a. Meal at the Hesed Avraham Center in Saint Petersburg. **b.** Home visit and meal delivery in Israel. c. Respite stay in France.

# COMMITTEE COMBATING ANTI-SEMITISM AND SUPPORT FOR INTERCULTURAL DIALOGUE

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# Combating anti-Semitism

The Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah has expanded its initiatives in the combat against anti-Semitism. A specific committee began to deal with this issue in 2015.

In conjunction with its traditional teaching approach, the Foundation supports educational and citizenbased initiatives that specifically target prejudice and attempts to conflate different issues. While the goal is to reach young people, the Foundation also supports events. publications and cultural productions geared to a wide public.

One of the committee's priorities is to develop initiatives aimed at stemming the spread of hate speech on the Internet and on social media.

The virulence and violence of contemporary anti-Semitism

have made **security** a particularly significant issue. This is why the Foundation is one of the primary financial backers of the Jewish Community Protection Service (SPCJ).

In order to identify and understand anti-Semitism and its recent developments, the committee supports research and monitoring in this area. Since 2008, the Foundation has been financing the MEMRI Institute, whose translation and monitoring work provides an overall view of the phenomenon of anti-Semitism and Holocaust denial in Middle Fastern media.

Finally, the Foundation funds initiatives, like the Aladdin Project, working to foster intercultural dialogue and mutual understanding.



Despite progress made toward moderation, anti-Semitic hate speech continues to spread on the Internet and on social media. This remains a priority for our committee. We also place great importance on initiatives in the field, because dialogue and respect are built one step at a time, with conviction and education."

Alice Tajchman, Presidents of the Committee Combating Anti-Semitism and Support for Intercultural Dialogue

# Supporting initiatives on the ground

In 2015, the FMS decided in favor of a three-year commitment to the Fonds du 11 Janvier, a structure created on the initiative of several member of the Centre Français des Fonds et Fondations to sustain and momentum and mobilization that followed the Paris attacks in January 2015. The goal is to support civil society initiatives, which work, in a secular setting, in support of citizen involvement, respect for the other, intercultural dialogue and knowledge of religion. This fund, under the auspices of the Fondation de France, pays special attention to developing critical thinking skills in young people.

preventing violence and fighting against prejudice, particularly racism and anti-Semitism. The Foundation also directly fund on-site initiatives in schools, universities and beyond. The UEJF (Union of French Jewish Students), for example, in conjunction with SOS Racisme and the non-profit Beit Esther, has set up intercultural mediation initiatives for community leaders in Aubervilliers. Sarcelles, Villeneuve-la-Garenne and Garges-lès-Gonesse. As part of this project, a delegation of some 40 people traveled to Israel and was able to meet with Israelis and Palestinians who are working together in the field. The soccer team from the Israeli village of Abu Gosh. which includes Arab and Jewish players, also traveled to France to promote its model of tolerance. through sports, to young people in working-class neighborhoods.



Project on the history of religions and secularism at the Collège Henri Wallon in Ivry-sur-Seine.

# **Projects supported**

### > Training and educational initiatives

Third international summer university in Turkey

The Aladdin Project

Three-year contribution to the Fonds du

Centre Français des Fonds et Fondations / Fondation de France

Education against racism and anti-Semitism CoExist

History of religions and secularism. Middle school class project Collège Henri Wallon, Ivry-sur-Seine

Creation of a European network against anti-Semitism and racism EGAM - Mouvement Antiraciste Européen

Training program for directors 2015-2016

**UFJF** 

Combating anti-Semitism in working-class neighborhoods

**UFJF** 

### > Internet

Redesign of website **CRIF** 

Response to anti-Semitism on the Internet and social media

LICRA

Combating anti-Semitism on the Internet **UFJF** 

### > Research and monitoring

Series of seminars on contemporary anti-Semitism in France

Institute for the Study of Global Anti-Semitism and Policy / GSRL, CNRS / EPHE

Monitoring anti-Semitism and Holocaust denial Middle East Media Research Institute

### > Resilience and security

Psychological trauma and resilience unit

Additional assistance for 2015 **SPCJ** 

### > Artistic production

Theater - Andorra, by Max Frisch Compagnie Orten



Training workshop run by Coexist





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# Rigorous, hands-on management

Chaired by a magistrate from the Court of Auditors, the Financial Committee for the Foundation of the Memory of the Shoah works to maintain the value of the endowment and make the best use of its revenue.

The Committee defines and closely monitors the investment strategy. The goal, which involves balancing risk management and financial performance, is to provide the Foundation with the funds to meet current needs without compomising its ability to act in the future. The Foundation's staff ensures the daily management of the fund, with the support of quaified consultants.

The Financial Committee also works to ensure good gouvernance on the part of the Foundation. It assesses budgetary decisions and gives an opinion on the most important projects, notably those that entail a long-term commitment by the FMS. The Committee pay particular importance to the assessment of these multiannual projects.

It is also concerned with keeping a close watch on operating costs of the Foundation (less than 9 percent of the total budget in 2015).

Since the creation of the Foundation more than €250 million have been allocated to some 3,300 projects.



Thanks to an active and diversifed asset management strategy, the Foundation avoided the ups and downs of the financial markets in 2015. For that, we would like to congratulate the competence and judgment of the members of the Financial Committee, who through their wise counsel, are responsible for these impressive results. Over the year, the Foundation's Board of Directors decided to create a budget line of €10 million for a threeyear period to support projects having a structural impact on French Judaism. The Financial Committee was consulted and gave a favorable opinion. Attentive as always to the use of funds allocated by the FMS, it stressed that this sum is not to be used to finance operating costs nor to make up for structural deficits. While this budget line does not affect the Foundation's balanced budget, we must nevertheless remain cautious, given the highly volatile financial context and the large share of multiannual projects to which the Foundation is committed."

> Hervé-Adrien Metzger. President of the Financial Committee

### The Foundation on the radio ...

Broadcast every Sunday from 1pm to 1:30pm on RCJ (94.8 FM in Paris), the "Mémoires Vives" program is prepared by Rachel Rimmer and anchored alternately by Kristel Le Pollotec and Eve Szeftel. It showcases the projects supported by the Foundation for the Memory of the Shoah and the subjects related to its missions.

All broadcasts can be heard at www.memoiresvives.net, or by signing up to the podcast on iTunes.

### ... and the Internet

In 2015, the Foundation's **website** was consulted by 232,296 visitors, a 70 percent increase over 2014. A new, more user-friendly design will go online in 2016, ensuring optimal readability on all devices (computers, tablets, smartphones).

The FMS **Facebook** page has more than 10,000 members, and its **Twitter** account is followed by over 6,500 people. The Foundation also has a Dailymotion page that presents the trailers for films it has supported.

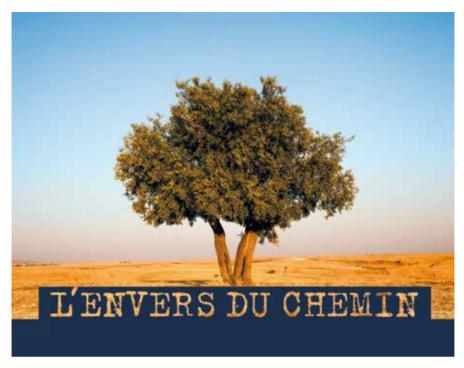
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