



## **Kantor Center & Database Bulletin November - December 2015**

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### **Highlights from Our Database on Antisemitism & Racism**

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#### **November 2015**

- ◆ **Fire at the Jewish Cemetery in Kolomya**
- ◆ **Desecration of the Jewish Cemetery in Hannover**
- ◆ **Former Minister in Venezuela Accused of "Defending Zionist Interests"**
- ◆ **Graffiti on Holocaust Memorial in the Tver District**
- ◆ **Antisemitic Slogans During National Unity Day in Moscow**
- ◆ **Antisemitic Statement by Russian Satiric**
- ◆ **Venezuelan Government Backed Paper Publishes Virulent Antisemitic Article**
- ◆ **Complaint Against an Exhibition in Slovakia**
- ◆ **Antisemitic Tweet by a Scottish MP**
- ◆ **The Protocols of the Elders of Zion and the Polish Defense Minister**
- ◆ **Rabbi Attacked in Melbourne**
- ◆ **Verbal Attack Against Israel Ambassador to Chile**
- ◆ **Antisemitic Attack in Sydney**
- ◆ **Venezuelan Apoorrea Reaction to Terrorist Attack in Paris**
- ◆ **Orthodox Jew Effigy Burnt During Demonstration in Wroclaw**
- ◆ **Israel and the Jews Accused of being Behind November Attacks in Paris\***
- ◆ **YouGov Publishes Results of a Poll in Northern Europe**

- ◆ **Al-Radhi Accuses Jews of Dominating the World\***
- ◆ **Report on Islamophobia in the Netherlands**
- ◆ **Jewish Manager of a Bookstore Attacked in New York**

## **December 2015**

- ◆ **New South Wales Supreme Court Dismissed Toben's Complaint**
- ◆ **Jewish Community Calls to Vote Against FN**
- ◆ **Zionists Accused of Forging History\***
- ◆ **Antisemitic Graffiti on a Hanukkah Menorah in Bryansk**
- ◆ **New Vatican Document: No More Conversion of Jews to Christianity**
- ◆ **Jewish Cemetery in Sochaczew Desecrated**
- ◆ **Anti-Jewish Incidents in Paris**
- ◆ **Antisemitic Views of Konotop Mayor**
- ◆ **Scott Nelson Expelled from Labour Party**
- ◆ **Suspended Sentence for Disseminating Neo-Nazi Material in Kostroma**
- ◆ **Jewish Community of Malmo After Copenhagen Attack**

\* Note: The items marked with an asterisk were prepared by the staff of the Zeev Vered Desk for Tolerance and Intolerance in the Middle East with the support of the Stephen Roth Institute for the Study of Contemporary Antisemitism and Racism.

## **Recent Publications on Antisemitism, Racism, Demography & Legislation**

### ✓ **Books**

*The Yale Papers: Antisemitism in Comparative Perspective*, edited by Charles Asher Small (CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform, 2015).

Rafael Medoff, *The Anguish of a Jewish Leader - Stephen S. Wise and the Holocaust* (Washington, 2015).

Joshua D. Zimmerman, *The Polish Underground and the Jews, 1939-1945* (New York, 2015).

Peter Longerich, *Hitler – Biographie* (München, 2015).

Katharina Rauschenberger, Werner Konitzer, *Antisemitismus und andere Feindseligkeiten - Interaktionen von Ressentiments* (Frankfurt/M, 2015).

Antonis Klapsis, *An Unholy Alliance: The European Far Right and Putin's Russia* (The Wilfried Martens Centre for European Studies, 2015).

*Deciphering the New Antisemitism*, edited by Alvin H. Rosenfeld (Bloomington, 2015).

### ✓ Book Reviews

**Filip Mazurczak** on *The Polish Underground and the Jews, 1939-1945*, by Joshua D. Zimmerman (New York, 2015).

**David Conway** on Nietzsche's Jewish Problem: Between Anti-Semitism and Anti-Judaism, by Robert C. Holub (Princeton, New Jersey, 2015).

**Ian Thomson** on *The Crime and the Silence: Confronting the Massacre of Jews in Wartime Jedwabne*, by Anna Bikont (New York, 2015).

**David Cesarani** on *A World Without Jews: The Nazi Imagination from Persecution to Genocide*, by Alon Confino (New Haven, CT, 2014).

### ✓ Articles

Kenan Malik, *"Is Eastern Europe Really More Racist Than the West?"* (*The New York Times*, 3 November 2015).

Shimon Samuels, *"What Began with the Jews has Crossed a New Threshold for Europe"* (*The Jerusalem Post*, 16 November 2015).

Jürgen Grimm, *"Value orientation and national identity in Russia: A media effect study on the Holocaust documentary "Night and Fog""* (*Central European Journal of Communication* 1, 2015, pp. 37-62).

Marc Knobel, *Antisemitism Made in France, 2000-2015* (ISGAP, 25 November 2015).

Alexis Lerner, *"Crime and Punishment: Hate Crime Legislation, Public Opinion Polling and The Jewish Minority in Post-Soviet Russia"* (*University of Toronto Journal of Jewish Thought*, Volume 1, no. 5, 2015, pp. 57-72).

James Kirchick, *"The Bad-Faith Analogy Between Syrian Refugees and Jews Fleeing Nazi Germany - Why the Comparison is More 'Virtue Signal' Than Productive Policy Stance"* (*Tabletmag*, 4 December 2015).

Eve Garrard, *"Anti-Judaism, Anti-Zionism, Antisemitism"* (*Fathom*, Winter 2015).

## ✓ Reports

*Informe sobre antisemitismo en la Argentina 2014*, comp. by Marisa Braylan (DAIA, 2015).

Imran Awan and Irene Zempi, *We Fear for our Lives - Offline and Online Experiences of Anti-Muslim Hostility* (UK, October 2015).

*Prosecutions for Antisemitic Criminal Acts* (CST, 2015).

*ODIHR's Hate Crime Data for 2014* (OSCE, November 2015).

*Racist Violence Recording Network - 2014 Annual Report* (RVRN, 2015).

*Vierde rapportage racisme, antisemitisme, en extreemrechts geweld in Nederland - Incidenten, aangiftes, verdachten en afhandeling in 2014* (Utrecht, December 2015)

*2015 Top Ten Worst Global Anti-Semitic / Anti-Israel Incidents* (Simon Wiesenthal Center, December 2015).

## ✓ Interviews

Richard Ferrer, "*Britain's Former Chief Rabbi Tackles the Roots of Islamist Terror in New Book – Interview*" (Algemeiner, 25 October 2015).

## Conferences and Workshops

- The Wiener Library – For the Study of the Nazi Era and the Holocaust, the Kantor Center for the Study of Contemporary European Jewry and the Minerva Center for German History invite the public to a lecture series marking the 70th anniversary of the Nuremberg Trials as part of the *Wiener Lectures for the 2015-2016 Academic Year*. For more information (in Hebrew), please click [here](#).
- **Bearing Witness More Than Once. How Institutions, Media and Time Shape Shoah Survivors' Testimonies**, Berlin, 14-16 March 2016.
- **Anti-Zionism, Antisemitism, and the Dynamics of Delegitimization: An International Scholars' Conference**, Indiana University, 2-5 April 2016.

## Center's Recent Publications

- ❖ *Being Jewish in 21st-Century Germany*, edited by Haim Fireberg and Olaf Glöckner (Berlin, 2015).

- ❖ *In Our Time: Documents and Articles on the Catholic Church and the Jewish People in the Wake of the Shoah* (in Hebrew), edited by Dina Porat, Ruth Braude and Karma Ben Yohanan (Tel Aviv, 2015).
- ❖ *Legislating for Equality - A Multinational Collection of Non-Discrimination Norms. Volume III: Africa*, Edited by Talia Naamat, Nina Osin and Dina Porat (Leiden, 2015).

## Center's News and Events

- ❖ On 3 November Prof. Galia Tzabar, head of the African Studies Department in TAU, visited the Center as part of preparations for a conference on the occasion of the publication of *Legislating for Equality - A Multinational Collection of Non-Discrimination Norms. Volume III: Africa*. For more information please see the Center's New Publications above.
- ❖ On 9-12 November 2015, Adv. Talia Naamat traveled to Warsaw and had work meetings with Dr. Aleksandra Grabias Gliszczynska, a senior researcher at the Poznan Human Rights Centre. Talia and Aleksandra worked on drafting a legal initiative for the protection of national, ethnic and religious minorities in Europe.
- ❖ On 18 November, the Yitzhak Artzi Foundation trustees held their meeting at the Center to discuss future plans.
- ❖ On 22-24 November, the International Association of Jewish Lawyers and Jurists and the Kantor Center for the Study of Contemporary European Jewry held a seminar in Vienna, under the auspices of the Austrian Ministries of Justice and Interior, focusing on opportunities to combat Antisemitism through legal means. Prof. Dina Porat and Adv. Talia Naamat delivered lectures at the seminar. For more information, please click [here](#).
- ❖ On 30 November, Prof. Porat was handed a collection of essays in her honor for seminal contribution to Holocaust and antisemitism research. For more information about the book, please click [here](#).
- ❖ In November, Dr. Julia Edthofer from the Department of Sociology at the University of Vienna came for a semester at the Center as an independent researcher.
- ❖ On 9 December, the Center held a farewell gathering in honor of Adv. Nina Osin. We are all very thankful to her for many years of co-working and friendship.
- ❖ On 14-15 December, the Center, in cooperation with the AJC and Beth Hatfutsot, held a symposium marking the 50th anniversary of the Second Vatican Council "Nostra Aetate" Declaration and the publication of the book *In Our Time: Documents and Articles on the Catholic Church and the Jewish People in the Wake of the Shoah*. For more information about the symposium, please click [here](#). For more information about the book, please see the Center's New Publications above.

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