



Kantor Center & Database Bulletin September – December 2017

Highlights from Our Database on Antisemitism & Racism

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September 2017

- ◆ *Orthodox Jew attacked in Antwerp*
- ◆ *Trial for Antisemitic Assault in London*
- ◆ *Attack on French Jewish Leader*
- ◆ *Antisemitic Reactions to Netanyahu's Visit to Argentina*
- ◆ *Italian Parliament approved Bill against Fascist Propaganda*
- ◆ *Repeated Desecrations at the Jewish Cemetery in Rezekne*
- ◆ *Prince of Bahrain Attends Wiesenthal Center Event**
- ◆ *Broken Gravestones at a Jewish Section of Cemetery in Sofia*
- ◆ *Antisemitism is “Completely at Odds with the Beliefs of the Labor Party”*
- ◆ *Arab Reaction to Interpol Vote on the “State of Palestine”**
- ◆ *FPO expelled Martin Hochstoeger*

October 2017

- ◆ *Kurdish and Catalan Independence Referendums and Protocols of the Elders of Zion**
- ◆ *Anti-Soros Campaign Continues in Hungary*
- ◆ *Neo-Nazi and White Supremacist Flyers in Pennsylvania*
- ◆ *Antisemitic Tweet by the Head of the German Left Party in Saarlouis*
- ◆ *Antisemitic Shouts at the University of Gaza*
- ◆ *The Holocaust Memorial of Uruguay Desecrated Twice*
- ◆ *Antisemitism at the Feyenoord Football Club*
- ◆ *1905 Revolution as a Jewish Conspiracy on Russian TV*

- ◆ *Antisemitic Stickers of Anne Frank Posted by Soccer Fans in Italy and Germany*
- ◆ *Rutgers University Investigates Antisemitic Facebook Posts*
- ◆ *Antisemitic Posters at the University of Victoria Campus*
- ◆ *Increase in Reported Racist Crimes to the London Police*

November 2017

- ◆ *Repudiation of Israel in Chile*
- ◆ *Debate on Antisemitism and Extremism on Egyptian TV**
- ◆ *Antisemitic and Racist Insult by Jaroslav Stanik*
- ◆ *New School University Criticized for Conference Participants*
- ◆ *Antisemitic Comments to Antisemitic Tweets by Úrsula Vargues*
- ◆ *Antisemitic Graffiti Near Jewish School in Pesaro*
- ◆ *Attack on Jews at a Supermarket Near Toulouse*
- ◆ *Anti-Israel and/or Anti-Jewish Sentences on Google Translate*
- ◆ *“Entry Forbidden to Jews” at the Dom Polski Hotel*
- ◆ *Antisemitic Graffiti at a School in Barcelona*
- ◆ *“Jews, Israel and Mossad are Behind ISIS Terror Attack in Sinai”**
- ◆ *Three Antisemitic Incidents at Hackney*
- ◆ *The Execution of the Tsarist Family will be Investigated Again*
- ◆ *Organizers of an Exhibition of Auschwitz Objects Attacked in Social Media*

December 2017

- ◆ *Bill to Include Holocaust at Schools in Paraguay*
- ◆ *Administration Committee of Munich Condemns Antisemitism and BDS*
- ◆ *Responses in the Arab World to President Trump's Declaration on Jerusalem**
- ◆ *Israeli flags Burned in Berlin*
- ◆ *Attack on a Synagogue in Gothenburg*
- ◆ *Molotov Cocktails at the Old Jewish Cemetery of Malmo*
- ◆ *Hanukkah Menorah Desecrated Twice in Kiev*

* Note: The items marked with an asterisk were prepared by the Stephen Roth Institute for the Study of Contemporary Antisemitism and Racism.

Recent Publications on Antisemitism, Racism, Demography & Legislation

✓ Books

Péter Krekó and Attila Juhász, *The Hungarian Far Right - Social Demand, Political Supply, and International Context* (NY, 2017).

John E. Richardson, *British Fascism - A Discourse-Historical Analysis* (NY, 2017).

Witnessing Unbound - Holocaust Representation and the Origins of Memory, edited by Henri Lustiger Thaler and Habbo Knoch (Detroit, 2017).

Ion Popa, *The Romanian Orthodox Church and the Holocaust* (Bloomington, 2017).

Lars Rensmann, *The Politics of Unreason - The Frankfurt School and the Origins of Modern Antisemitism* (Albany, NY, 2017).

David Hirsh, *Contemporary Left Antisemitism* (Oxford, 2017).

Sandra Wilson, Robert Cribb, Beatrice Trefalt, and Dean Aszkielowicz, *Japanese War Criminals - The Politics of Justice After the Second World War* (New York, 2017).

Gerald Steinacher, *Humanitarians at War - The Red Cross in the Shadow of the Holocaust* (Oxford, 2017).

✓ Articles

Manfred Gerstenfeld, "*Anti-Semitism is an Integral Part of European Culture*" (*Israel National News*, 6 August 2017).

Lara Moehlman, "*How Anti-Semitism Shapes the Far Right*" (*Momentmag*, 3 August 2017).

Martin Jander, "*Antisemitism and Anti-Zionism in West Germany in the 1970s: Lessons for Today*" (*Fathom Journal*, Summer 2017).

Milton Shain, "*A Deeply Rooted Anti-Zionism: Reflections from South Africa*" (*Fathom Journal*, Summer 2017).

Cnaan Liphshiz, "*This Holocaust Monument in Belarus is Haunting — and Subversive*" (*JTA*, 14 August 2017).

Noa Amouyal, "*Navigating a Dangerous Intersection*" (*The Jerusalem Post*, 16-Aug-2017).

Winson Chu, "*From Łódź to Litzmannstadt: German Pasts and Holocaust Sites in Post-Communist Poland*" (*Holocaust and Genocide Studies*, Volume 31, Issue 2, 26 August 2017, pages 240–267).

Dan Stone, *"The Greatest Detective Story in History" - The BBC, the International Tracing Service, and the Memory of Nazi Crimes in Early Postwar Britain* (History & Memory, Vol. 29, No. 2, Fall/Winter 2017, pages 63-89).

Mark Edele, *"Fighting Russia's History Wars - Vladimir Putin and the Codification of World War II"* (History & Memory, Vol. 29, No. 2, Fall/Winter 2017, pages 90-124).

Volha Charnysh, *"The Rise of Poland's Far Right - How Extremism Is Going Mainstream"* (Foreign Affairs, 18 December 2017).

Dylan Matthews, *"Study: Austerity Helped the Nazis Come to Power"* (VOX Media, 12 December 2017).

David Stavrou, *"How Sweden Became a Thriving Base of Neo-Nazi Ideology"* (Haaretz, 30 December 2017).

✓ **Book Reviews**

Berel Lang on *The Stages of Memory: Reflections on Memorial Art, Loss, and the Spaces Between*, by James E. Young (Amherst, MA, 2016).

Eric Langenbacher on *Holocaust Icons: Symbolizing the Shoah in History and Memory*, by Oren Baruch Stier (New Brunswick, 2015).

Juliana Geran Pilon on *The Strange Death of Europe: Immigration, Identity, Islam*, by Douglas Murray (London, 2017) and *The End of Europe: Dictators, Demagogues, and the Coming Dark Age*, by James Kirchick (New Haven, 2017).

Peter Hayes, on *Final Solution: The Fate of the Jews, 1933-49*, by David Cesarani (London, 2016); *Holocaust Landscapes*, by Tim Cole (London, 2016); *KL: A History of the Nazi Concentration Camps*, by Nikolaus Wachsmann (New York, 2015).

✓ **Journal**

Antisemitism Studies, Volume I, Issue II, Fall 2017.

✓ **Reports**

L. Daniel Staetsky, *Antisemitism in contemporary Great Britain: A study of attitudes towards Jews and Israel* (CST, 2017).

"ADL Data Shows Anti-Semitic Incidents Continue Surge in 2017 Compared to 2016" (ADL, 2 November 2017) ; *"Anti-Semitic Incidents Up 96 Percent in N.Y State in 2017"* (ADL, 2 November 2017).

✓ Debate

Slawomir Debski, *"If Your Enemy Lays Down His Arms, Stop Shooting"* (*Times of Israel*, 14 December 2017).

Laurence Weinbaum, *"When History Clashes With Politics in Poland"* (*Times of Israel*, 19 December 2017).

✓ Interviews

'Many On The Left Know Nothing About Religion': An Interview with Professor Eunice Pollack (*Jewish Press*, 20 December 2017).

Interview (in German) with Monika Schwarz-Friesel from the Technische Universität Berlin about Antisemitism (*Neue Welt*, 12 December 2017).

Conferences and Workshops

- *Association of Holocaust Organizations* – Miscellaneous Conferences during 2018.
- *"In the Name of Conscience": An Emerging Scholars Conference on Genocide, Mass Atrocity, and Human Rights - The Global Impact of Genocide*, Stockton University, Galloway, NJ, 27 March 2018.
- *The 13th Annual Conference of the Canadian Society for Jewish Studies (CSJS)*, Concordia University, Montreal, 14 –15 May 2018.
- *Summer Institute for Curriculum Development in Critical Antisemitism Studies*, St John's College, Oxford, UK, 29 July - 11 August 2018.

Center's News and Events

- ❖ The Kantor Center would like to congratulate its long-time colleague and friend Rafal Pankowski, co-founder of the anti-fascist "Never Again" Association (Poland), for being awarded the prestigious annual Human Rights Distinction by Poland's Ombudsman Dr Adam Bodnar in a ceremony held in Warsaw on 25 September 2017. More information is available [here](#).
- ❖ In September 2017, the European Jewish Research Archive (EJRA) at the Institute for Jewish Policy Research in Jerusalem, an online database that hosts research reports and articles published on European Jewry, has asked to publish papers from the Kantor Center website, to be made available on their website to its tens of thousands of visitors and users.
- ❖ On 1-14 October Prof. Dina Porat visited Melbourne, Australia, where she held meetings with leaders of the local Jewish community, delivered a lecture to the community and participated at a seminar at the University of Melbourne.

- ❖ On 23-25 October, the Kantor Center held its 13th international seminar. This time the seminar was held in Zurich, Switzerland, in cooperation with the Audiatur Stiftung.
- ❖ On 24 October 2017 Riva Mane represented the Center in the annual academic committee of the *S. Daniel Abraham Center for International and Regional Studies* held at Tel Aviv University. The meeting was chaired by Prof. Raanan Rein and attended by Prof. Tamar Herzig (Morris E. Curriel Institute for European Studies), Dr. Vera Kaplan (Cummings Center for Russian and Eastern European studies), Prof. Galili Shahar (Minerva Institute of German History), Prof. Meir Litvak (Center for Iranian Studies), Prof. Mordechai Tamarkin (Tami Steinmetz Center for Peace Research) and Dr. Irit Back (African Studies Program).
- ❖ On 30 October a group of 30 history teachers from France held a symposium in the Center.
- ❖ On 7 November, David Hirsh, our friend and colleague, presented at Beit Hatfutsot (Tel Aviv University) his new book "Contemporary Left Antisemitism". Details about the book are available above, at the "Books" section of this bulletin.
- ❖ On 7 November a preparatory meeting was held to discuss details of a research seminar about the state of refugees today, which the Kantor Center is organizing in June at TAU.
- ❖ In November the Center's staff started preparing a report of the antisemitic trends during 2017 to be submitted to the Israeli government in January 2018.
- ❖ On 16 November the Center participated at a symposium on "Jewish Refugees during the War and on the Way to a New Life" at the Wiener Library (TAU). For more information, please click **here**.
- ❖ On 4 December the board of the Kantor Center held its annual meeting.
- ❖ On 7 December Prof. Porat attended a meeting in Vienna with representatives of the Austrian Ministry of Justice and the Vienna University to discuss ways to improve legislation against antisemitism.
- ❖ On 11 December the Center participated in a conference organized by the World Jewish Congress in Tel Aviv titled "The Oldest Hatred Gone Viral" in memory of the late Prof. Robert Wistrich.
- ❖ On 11 December the Center's staff gathered to mark the holyday of Hanukkah. Dr. Joseph Bollag from the Audiatur Stiftung (Switzerland) was our guest and we thanked him for the cooperation and hospitality during our international seminar in October (see above).
- ❖ In December the Center held a meeting with ADL Israel director Carol Nuriel and ADL vice president of international affairs Sharon Nazarian.

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