



MINISTRY
OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA

MARCH 5-6, 2020

DEALING WITH THE TRAUMA OF AN UNDIGESTED PAST

THURSDAY, MARCH 5

13²⁰-13⁵⁰

REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

14⁰⁰

OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE

WELCOMING REMARKS

PRESIDENT VALDAS ADAMKUS

President of Lithuania from 1998 to 2003, from 2004 to 2009

OPENING ADDRESS

AMB. LAIMONAS TALAT-KELPŠA

Secretary General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Lithuania, former Ambassador of Lithuania to India | Lithuania

SPECIAL GREETINGS

AGNIESZKA HOLLAND

Film director, screenwriter, awarded by numerous international prizes, three-time Oscar nominee | Poland

14³⁰-17⁰⁰

I SESSION

HISTORIC TRAUMAS: BETWEEN DENIAL AND RECOGNITION

MODERATOR

PROF. ŠARŪNAS LIEKIS

Professor, Kaunas Vytautas Magnus University | Lithuania

SPEAKERS

PROF. AVISHAI MARGALIT

Professor Emeritus, Hebrew University in Jerusalem | Israel

FRANKLIN VAD DER POLS

Chief-editor of Mueumpell | the Netherlands

AMB. YVES DOUTRIAUX

Member of the Conseil d'Etat, former Ambassador of France to the OSCE | France

PROF. ROBERT VAN VOREN

Professor of Soviet and post-Soviet studies, Kaunas Vytautas Magnus University | Lithuania

DISCUSSION, Q/A

SPECIAL GUEST

AMB. LAMBERTO ZANNIER

OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities

16³⁰-17⁰⁰

COFFEE BREAK

17⁰⁰-18³⁰

II SESSION

CONSEQUENCES OF COLLECTIVE TRAUMAS FOR MODERN SOCIETIES

MODERATOR

IRENA VAIŠVILAITĖ

Professor of Vilnius University, Ambassador of Lithuania to the Holy See (2012-2017) and UNESCO (2017-2019) | Lithuania

SPEAKERS

SVETLANA ALEKSJEVIČ

Writer, journalist, Nobel Prize Winner in Literature (2015) | Belarus

NORA IKSTENA

Writer, screenwriter | Latvia

DR. TIMOTHY RYBACK

Director, Institute for Historical Justice and Reconciliation in the Hague | USA

LUKAS WELZ

Head, Holocaust Survivors' Supporting Organization AMCHA Germany | Germany

DISCUSSION, Q/A

19⁰⁰-21⁰⁰

DINNER

HOSTED BY

H. E. LINAS LINKEVIČIUS

MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF LITHUANIA

Restaurant "Narutis", Pilies str. 24, Vilnius

(NB: by the Minister's invitation only)



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9⁰⁰-9²⁵

WELCOME COFFEE

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

ANDRIY KURKOV

Novelist, independent thinker, author of international bestsellers and articles and various publications worldwide | Ukraine

10⁰⁰-12³⁰

III SESSION

HISTORICAL TRAUMAS IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

MODERATOR

DR. JANA JAVAKHISHVILI

President, European Society for Traumatic Stress Studies, Professor at Ilia State University | Georgia

SPEAKERS

M. J. AKBAR

MP, writer and journalist, Former Minister of State for External Affairs of India | India

PROF. VAMIK VOLKAN

Professor Emeritus of Virginia University, President emeritus of International Dialogue Initiative, four-time Nobel Peace Prize nominee | USA

PROF. DOVILĖ BUDRYTĖ

Professor of Political Science at Georgia Gwinnett College | Lithuania

ARMAND VOLKAS

Psychotherapist and Registered Drama Therapist | USA

DISCUSSION, Q/A

SPECIAL GUEST

ESTHER SHALEV-GERZ

Internationally renowned artist | Lithuania | Israel | France

11⁵⁰-12²⁵

COFFEE BREAK

12³⁰-15³⁰

IV SESSION

OVERCOMING COLLECTIVE TRAUMAS AND LESSONS FOR THE FUTURE

MODERATOR

DR. NERJIA PUTINAITĖ

Associate Professor, Institute of International Relations and Political Science | Lithuania

SPEAKERS

PROF. DANUTĖ GAILIENĖ

Clinical psychologist, professor at Vilnius University, founder of Lithuanian association of suicidology | Lithuania

DR. MAHESAN GANESAN

Consultant psychiatrist at the National Institute of Mental Health | Sri Lanka

PROF. SIMON WESSELY

Professor of Psychological Medicine at Kings College London | UK

DR. CHERYL LAWTHOR

Senior Lecturer in Law, Queen's University Belfast | Northern Ireland, UK

DISCUSSION

CLOSING REMARKS

NIKOLAI SVANIDZE

Historian and journalist, TV presenter | Russia

CONCLUSIONS

AMB. LAIMONAS TALAT-KELPŠA

Secretary General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Lithuania, former Ambassador of Lithuania to India | Lithuania

14⁴⁰-15³⁰

BUFFET LUNCH

15¹⁵-16³⁰

GUIDED TOUR IN THE PALACE OF THE GRAND DUKES OF LITHUANIA

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16³⁰

PRESENTATION OF THE FILM MR. JONES

Directed by Agnieszka Holland
Cinemaboutique "Pasaka"

PARTNERS



Vilnius
University



Kingdom of the Netherlands



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Vilnius



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Honorary Consul of Lithuania
in Sri Lanka



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