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Uses and Abuses of History from post-WWII Trials to Russia's War in Ukraine

December 4-5, 2022

Tel Aviv University – Minerva Center for Human Rights

The Sonia and Edward Kossoy Conference Room (307), Trubowitz Building, Faculty of Law

Sunday, Dec 4, 2022

9:30 Greetings

Prof. Leora Bilsky, Head of The Minerva Center for Human Rights at Tel Aviv University

9:45-11:45 | First Session

Uses of Concepts of International Law

Oleksiy Kresin (National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine/ University of Lausanne) International Legal Aspects of Russia's War against Ukraine

Eliav Lieblich (TAU, Faculty of Law) The Russian Invasion of Ukraine: Uses and Abuses of International Law

Yuval Livnat (TAU, Faculty of Law) International law on Refugees and the influences of WWII on its definition and current outcomes in light of the Russian War in Ukraine

11:45 – 12:00 Coffee break

12:00 – 14:00 | Second Session:

Justice, Politics and Collaborators

Rivka Brot (TAU, Faculty of Law) "Those Jews who sinned against Judaism during the war": Trials of Jewish collaborators in the DP camps in Germany

Vanessa Voisin (Università di Bologna, DiSCI) Law and war-narrative in the Soviet Union, 1942-1946: From collaboration as (quiet) betrayal to (loud) war crimes

Roni Stauber (TAU, Department of Jewish History) Trials of Nazi Criminals as a political tool - the Communist Block against West Germany

14:00 -15:30 lunch

15:30 – 17:00 | Third Session

Interpreting Genocide

Patrycja Grzebyk (University of Warsaw) Genocide in the East-European Style

Leora Bilsky (TAU, Faculty of Law) Cultural Genocide and the Role of Law in the 1946 Polish Trial of Arthur Greiser

18:00 Dinner

Monday, Dec 5, 2022

10:00 – 11:30 | Fourth Session

Comparing Discourses

Anton Weiss-Wendt (Norwegian Center for Holocaust and Minority Studies) Self-Righteous Opportunism: Soviet Genocide Polemics vs. Russian Holocaust Discourse

Tanja Penter (Heidelberg University) (on zoom) Convicting crimes against civilians: Entangled experiences of two wars in Ukraine 1941-1944 and 2022

11:30 – 12:00 Coffee break

12:00 – 13:30 | Fifth Session:

Agency and Politics in War Crimes Trials

Olga Kartashova (New York University /The Minerva Center for Human Rights at Tel Aviv University) International Networks and Jewish Quest for Justice

Valeria Vegh Weis (Buenos Aires University/Universität Konstanz) (on zoom) 75 years after Nuremberg Re-Assessing Accountability in Post-Holocaust Germany

13:30-14:30 lunch

14:30-16:30 | Sixth Session

Gathering Evidence

Bohdan Shumylovych (Center for Urban History, Lviv) (on zoom) Diaries and Dreams of the War

Anastasiya Kholyavka (Center for Urban History, Lviv) (on zoom) Urban Media Archive

Mariia Buchelnikova (Docudays UA) (on zoom) War Archive project

16:30 – 17:00 Coffee break

17:00-18:00 | Book talk

History and Identity

Oleksandr Melnyk (University of Alberta) in conversation with **Dina Moyal (TAU, The Cummings Center for Russian and East European Studies)** (hybrid) *World War II as an Identity Project: Historicism, Legitimacy Contests, and the (Re-) Construction of Political Communities in Ukraine, 1939-1946* (2022)

18:15 closing remarks

Leora Bilsky, Dina Moyal and Olga Kartashova

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