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Call for Papers:

International conference- *The Holocaust in Southeastern Europe*

Date & location: *25-26 May 2015, Bucharest*

Deadline: *Applications due November 28, 2014*

The Elie Wiesel National Institute for the Study of the Holocaust in Romania and the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum’s Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies invite applications for an interdisciplinary regional conference on the Holocaust in Southeastern Europe. The conference will be held May 25–26, 2015 in Bucharest.

This two-day conference will bring together scholars from all disciplines working on the Holocaust in the Southeastern tier of Europe to share their research with each other and the public. The conference seeks to stimulate discussion and debate on current research on the Holocaust, and to foster interdisciplinary and transnational cooperation among scholars of the topic in the region. It will highlight new research in such areas as atrocities, mass killing, and mass graves; the radicalization of local politics during Nazi occupation; forced and slave labor; the dynamics of complicity and collaboration; everyday life on the front and under occupation; plunder, robbery, and expropriation; refugees and displaced persons; understudied victims; gender; the cultural politics of representation and commemoration in the aftermath; contemporary Holocaust revisionism and denial, and manifestations of antisemitic and anti-Romani prejudice; and communities and identities forged around the experiences of war and genocide. The organizers particularly encourage proposals that address Romania and Ukraine in comparative perspective, as well as applications that consider the specificities of the Bulgarian and Hungarian cases. Proposals from scholars working on these topics who reside in Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Greece, Hungary, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia, Slovenia, Turkey, and Ukraine are especially welcome.

Applicants interested in presenting a paper should be currently researching or completing projects exploring the subject matter described above, broadly understood. Proposals on new,

previously unpublished research are welcome from scholars in all relevant academic disciplines, including doctoral students who have advanced to candidacy. While full-length papers may be prepared in any language, successful applicants will be required to submit a copy of the conference version of their paper in English in advance of the program for circulation among commentators, other panelists, and conference participants.

The conference will be conducted in **English and Romanian**. Romanian-English language translation services will be provided for the audience.

Proposal submission

The deadline for receipt of proposals is **November 28, 2014**. To propose a paper for this conference, please send (1) a cover letter addressing your specific interests in the study and teaching of the Holocaust in Southeastern Europe; (2) your curriculum vitae; and (3) an abstract of no more than 500 words for your proposed paper in a single Word document to Krista Hegburg, Ph.D., Program Officer, Mandel Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, at khegburg@ushmm.org.

Submissions must include the speaker's name, contact address, and email.

Travel and accommodations

The conference organizers will provide lodging for the duration of the conference and a stipend to defray transportation and expenses for conference participants. Any necessary visas will be the responsibility of the conference participant. The Wiesel Institute can provide invitation letters for the purpose of visa applications.

Travel awards for junior scholars

A limited number of junior scholar stipends will also be available to partially defray costs for graduate students and junior scholars from post-communist countries to attend the conference. Applicants must be advanced graduate students or recent Ph.D. recipients no more than three years beyond conferral of their degree, and must reside in one of the countries in the regions covered by this CfP. Scholars enrolled in graduate programs or teaching at universities outside of these countries are not eligible for junior scholar travel stipends. Please note that these awards are not for panelists presenting papers, but for junior scholars who wish to attend the conference as part of the audience.

To apply for a junior scholar travel stipend, please submit (1) a curriculum vitae that indicates your current academic affiliation; (2) a statement of interest of not more than 750 words

addressing your specific interest in attending the conference, background in the area of study, and how attendance will benefit the candidate's research, teaching, or future publications; and (3) a supporting letter from an academic advisor, department chair, or dean that addresses the candidate's qualifications and research as well as his/her potential as a scholar to Krista Hegburg, Ph.D., Program Officer, Mandel Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, at khegburg@ushmm.org.

Statements of interest and CVs must be submitted in English; the supporting letter may be submitted in either English or one of the languages of the applicant's country. The deadline for receipt of application for the junior scholar travel stipends is **December 12, 2014**.