

Invitation

The historical churches and the Holocaust in Czechoslovakia,
Hungary and Romania 1920-1945

Conference

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Venue: Central European University (CEU)
1051 Budapest, Nádor u. 9.

Organised by:
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Programme:

- 8:30 – 9:00 Registration
- 9:00 – 9:15 Introduction – **Erika Törzsök** (CEC), **András Kovács** (CEU)
- Moderator: **Erika Törzsök**
- 9:15 -9:45 **Gábor Gyáni**: Social conditions in Central-Eastern Europe in the 1930ies and '40ies
- 9:45 – 10:15 **Attila Jakab**: The historical churches and the Holocaust in the Hungarian Catholic and Reformed Churches
- 10:15 – 10:45 **Gabriel Andreescu**: The Orthodox Church and the Holocaust in Romania
- 10.45 – 11:10 **Attila Simon**: From re-annexation to deportation – The Jewish community and the Christian society at Dunaszerdahely (Slovakia / Czechoslovakia)
- 11:10 – 11:20 Coffee break

Moderator: **Attila Simon**

- 11:15 – 11:45 **Artúr Lakatos** (Romania): The Catholic and the Reformed churches and the Holocaust
- 11:45 – 12:05 **Zsolt Mézes**: The Lutheran Church and the Holocaust in Hungary
- 12:05 – 12:25 **Izabella Péter** (Romania): The Greek Catholic Church and the Holocaust
- 12:25 – 12:45 **Ildikó Bajcsi** (Slovakia): The Reformed Church and the Holocaust in Slovakia
- 12:45 – 13:20 Lunch
- Moderator: **Attila Jakab**
- 13:20 – 13:50 **Henri de Montety**: The French Catholic Church and anti-Semitism during the Second World War
- 13:50 – 14:20 **Károly Kókai**: Catholic Church and anti-Semitism between the two World Wars in Austria
- 14:20 – 16:00 Roundtable discussion – **Viktor Karády, Tamás Kodácsi, András Kovács, Ágnes Szöllőssy, László Donáth**
- Moderator: **Laszlo Karsai**

„The Holocaust has shown us how far evil can penetrate a civilised society, how man can become a monster. The danger is present in all ages. It may occur in the future as well unless we pay attention. That past is haunting Hungary, haunting Europe, it is here with us whatever happens, and we cannot move forward unless we understand why it could happen.”(**László Nemes**, director of The Son of Saul)