



Protecting Future

The Moscow international conference | ON COMBATING
ANTI-SEMITISM, XENOPHOBIA
AND RACISM

SCHEDULE *

MOSCOW
28—30 OCTOBER, 2018

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October 28th / Sunday

12:00–19:00 Reception and Registration of the Participants

19:00–20:00 Dinner

20:00–21:00 **Presentation of the Collection of Materials of the First Moscow International Conference “Protecting Future” both in Russian and English.**

“LIBRARY” HALL

MODERATORS:

Ilya A. Altman, professor of the Russian State University for the Humanities, Co-Chairman of the Center “Holocaust” (Russia)

Igor Kotler, Visiting Senior Research Fellow and Leader of US-Russia-Former Soviet Union Project at the Center for the Study of Genocide and Human Rights at Rutgers University (USA)

October 29th / Monday

09:00–10:00 Registration of the Participants

10:00–11:45 **Opening Plenary of the Conference. Greetings.**

CONFERENCE HALL

MODERATORS:

Anna V. Bokshitskaya, executive director of the charitable fund “Russian Jewish Congress” (Russia)

Dr. Shimon Samuels, director for International Relations at the Simon Wiesenthal Center (France)

- **Yuri I. Kanner**, President of the “Russian Jewish Congress”. Opening speech.
- **Valentina I. Matviyenko**, *Chairwoman of the Federation Council (Russia)*
- **Mikhail A. Fedotov**, Advisor to the President of the Russian Federation, chairman of the Council for Civil Society and Human Rights (Russia)
- **Sergey V. Vershinin**, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Russia)
- **Ronald S. Lauder**, President of the World Jewish Congress
- **Leonid M. Pechatnikov**, Advisor of the Mayor of Moscow
- **Irina Bokova**, Director-General of UNESCO from 2009 to 2017 (Bulgaria)
- **Igor V. Barinov**, Head of the Federal Agency for Nationality Affairs (Russia)
- **Lamberto Zannier**, OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities (Italy)
- **Mikhail M. Mirilashvili**, President of the Euro-Asian Jewish Congress
- **Berl Lazar**, Chief Rabbi of Russia

11:45–12:15 Coffee break

12:30–14:00 First Plenary Session. “Global trends in combating antisemitism, xenophobia, and racism”

MODERATORS:

Steven T. Katz, Professor at Boston University (USA)

Alexander S. Gorelik, Head of the UN Information Center in Moscow from 1999 to 2014 (Russia)

- **Lev D. Gudkov**, Director of Yuri Levada Analytical Center. Presentation of the Results Based on the Levada-Center Research on Antisemitism in Russia (Russia)
- **Julius Meini**, World Jewish Congress Commissioner for combating antisemitism
- **Andrew Baker**, Personal Representative of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) on combating antisemitism, director of International Affairs at the American Jewish Committee
- **Alexander E. Buksman**, First Deputy Prosecutor-General of the Russian Federation
- **Vladimir A. Makarov**, Police Major General, Deputy chief of the General Administration for Combating Extremism of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia (Russia)
- **Alexey V. Shaposhnikov**, Chairman of the Moscow City Duma (Russia)

14:00–15:00 Lunch

15:00–16:30 Breakout sessions

Session I. “Interaction between Government Authorities and Civil Society on Prevention of Antisemitism, Racism, and Xenophobia – New Approaches”

MODERATORS:

Anna A. Polezhaeva, Head of the International Cooperation Department of the Federal Agency for Nationality Affairs (Russia)

Ira Forman, Senior Fellow on Contemporary Antisemitism; Formerly US Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism 2013-2017 (USA)

- **Ivan Y. Petrov**, First Deputy Director of the Department of Nationality Affairs of Moscow Government
- **Emil A. Pain**, Research professor of the National Research University “Higher School of Economics” (Russia). “Global ethnopolitical tendencies and their impact on xenophobia: What can be done?”
- **Alvaro Gil-Robles**, Commissioner for human rights of the Council of Europe from 1999 to 2006 (Spain)
- **Konstantin V. Bendas**, Expert of the Commission on Harmonization of Interethnic and Inter-Confessional Relations of the Civic Chamber (Russia). “Inter-confessional expert councils in the regions of Russia as the tool of ethnoreligious harmonization”
- **Lilia V. Komissarenko**, Deputy Chairwoman of the Legislative Assembly of the Jewish Autonomous Region (Russia). “Cooperation of government authorities and public institutions on the prevention of xenophobia and extremism”
- **Abdulgamid O. Bulatov**, Head of the Department of the Federal Agency for Nationality Affairs (Russia)
- **Vladimir S. Sobkin**, Professor, Head of the Centre for the sociology of education of the Institute of education control of the Russian Academy of Education (Russia). “National identity and the problem of tolerance within teen subculture”

Session II. "Antisemitism, Racism, and Xenophobia on the Internet"

MODERATORS:

Mikhail L. Gurevich, Journalist, TV presenter (Israel-Russia)

Matvei P. Alekseev, Chief of the digital economy programs at Gazprom Neft (Russia)

- **Igor Kotler**, Visiting Senior Research Fellow and Leader of US-Russia-Former Soviet Union Project at the Center for the Study of Genocide and Human Rights at Rutgers University (USA). "Racism and xenophobia in the Russian sector of Youtube"
- **Elena E. Nosenko-Stein**, Leading research fellow of the Institute of Oriental Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences (Russia). "Antisemitism and xenophobia in the Russian "nordic" Internet: is it possible to combat?"
- **Daniel Berke**, Chair of the Zionist Central Council, member of the World Jewish Congress Jewish Diplomatic Corps (United Kingdom)
- **Alexander M. Verkhovsky**, Director of the "Sova" center (Russia)
- **Representatives of social networks and online media (Youtube, VK)**

Session III. "Modern Forms of Antisemitism, Racism, and Xenophobia"

MODERATORS:

Mikhail A. Chlenov, Professor, Vice-President of the World Jewish Congress (Russia)

Eric Gozlan, Executive director of the "Union of Nations for Peace" (France)

- **Brendan Mcgeever**, Acting Associate Director of the Pears Institute for the study of Antisemitism (Scotland). "Connecting Racism and Antisemitism: Theoretical Challenges for the 21st Century"
- **Alvin H. Rosenfeld**, Professor, Director of the Institute for the Study of Contemporary Antisemitism, Indiana University (USA). «Anti-Zionism and Antisemitism»
- **Jelena Djurovich**, Vice president of the Montenegro Jewish community (Montenegro). "Antisemitism in the Balkans"
- **Vladimir I. Mukomel**, Head of the xenophobia research and extremism prevention sector at the Institute of Sociology of the Russian Academy of Sciences (Russia). "Xenophobia of immigrants vs. Xenophobia of Russians"
- **Chaya Singer**, Member of the World Jewish Congress Jewish Diplomatic Corps; Parliamentary & Diplomatic Liaison at the South African Jewish Board of Deputies (South Africa)
- **Leonid Y. Gozman**, President of "Perspektiva" Fund (Russia).

16:30–17:00 Coffee break

17:00–18:30 **Second Plenary Session. “Role of Religion on Combating Antisemitism, Racism and Xenophobia”**

MODERATORS:

Sergei V. Ryakhovsky, Senior Bishop of Associated Russian Union of Christians of Evangelical Faith (Russia)

Pinchas Goldschmidt, President of the Conference of European Rabbis, Chief Rabbi of Moscow

- **Dmitry Safonov**, Secretary for Interreligious Relations of the Moscow Patriarchate Department for External Church Relations; Executive Secretary of the Interreligious Council of Russia (Russia)
- **Fr. Norbert Hofmann**, Secretary of the Vatican Commission for religious relations with the Jews (Vatican)
- **Hassen Chalghoumi**, President of the Conference of Imams of France (France)
- **Albir R. Krganov**, Mufti of the Spiritual Assembly of Muslims of Russia, Member of the Civic Chamber of the Russian Federation (Russia)
- **Steven T. Katz**, Professor at Boston University (USA)
- **Roman N. Lunkin**, Head of the Center for religion and society studies of the Institute of Europe of RAS (Russia). “Xenophobia on the religious basis in European countries and post-Soviet states”

19:00–21:30 **Gala Reception by Russian Jewish Congress**

October 30th / ВТОРНИК

10:00–11:45 **Third Plenary Session. “Methodology of the Antisemitism, Xenophobia and Racism Studies: Further Development”**

MODERATOR:

Marina Yudborovski, Director of strategy and operations, Genesis Philanthropy Group

- **Jonathan Boyd**, Director of JPR, the Institute for Jewish Policy Research in London (United Kingdom)
- **Alan Cooperman**, Director of religion research at the Pew Research Center (USA)
- **Victor F. Petrenko**, Corresponding member of the Russian Academy of Science, Head of the laboratory for Communication psychology and psychosemantics at the Faculty of Psychology of the Moscow State University (Russia). “Methodology for studying the religious and ethnic view of the world”
- **Sergio Della Pergola**, Professor Emeritus of Population Studies at the Hebrew University’s Avraham Harman Institute of Contemporary Jewry (Israel). “Trends of Jewish perception of antisemitism in the European Union”
- **Alexei G. Levinson**, head of the Department of social and cultural research at the Levada-Center (Russia). “Various groups’ views on antisemitism according to the results of the new sociological research conducted by Levada-Center”

11:45–12:15 Coffee break

12:15–14:00 Breakout sessions

Session IV. “Culture as the Tool for Combating Antisemitism, Xenophobia and Racism”

MODERATOR:

Mikhail E. Shvydkoy, Special Representative of the Russian President for the International Cultural Cooperation (Russia)

- **Evgeny V. Mironov**, *Film and stage actor, People's Artist of the Russian Federation*
- **Marina D. Loshak**, Director of the Pushkin State Museum of Fine Arts
- **Jonathan Brent**, Director of the Institute for Jewish Research – YIVO (USA) «The challenges of combating antisemitism through restoring cultural memory»
- **Sergei V. Mironenko**, Professor, Head of Research of the State Archive of the Russian Federation
- **Natalya D. Solzhenitsyna**, President of the Russian Public Fund to Aid Political Prisoners and their Families
- **Alexander M. Efmovich**, *Deputy director of “Russia-K” TV channel (Russia)*
- **Alla E. Gerber**, Writer, President of the “Holocaust” Fund (Russia) “To be Jewish. Biography experience”

Session V. “Education as the Tool for Combating Antisemitism, Xenophobia and Racism”

MODERATORS:

Alexander B. Bezborodov, Rector of the Russian State University for the Humanities (Russia)
Haim Ben-Yakov, General Director of the Euro-Asian Jewish Congress

- **Alexander G. Asmolov**, Professor, Head of the Department of Personality Psychology at the Moscow State University, Member of the Russian Academy of Education (Russia)
- **Paul A. Levine**, Associate Professor, Docent at The Theresienstadt Centre for Genocide Studies Research & Pedagogic director (Czech Republic). “One Book & the Internationalisation of Holocaust Pedagogy; Problems and Possibilities”
- **Ilan Cohn**, Project Manager, Words into Action Project, OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR) (Israel). “New Tools to Support OSCE Participating States to Put Words into Action to Address Anti-Semitism”
- **Ildiko Barna**, Associate Professor, Docent at ELTE University (Hungary). “Ways of Teaching about and against Anti-Semitism, Racism, and Xenophobia – A Comparative Overview”
- **Olga B. Karasik**, Professor, Kazan Federal University (Russia). “What should we do with Fagin? Based on the experience of breaking antisemitic stereotypes when teaching foreign literature at university”
- **Olga V. Gorskikh**, Docent of the Tomsk State University of Control Systems and Radioelectronics (TUSUR), Federal expert on interethnic relations, prevention of xenophobia (Russia). “Specific aspects of organizing educational activities in the field of xenophobia and ethnic extremism prevention: subjects, means of interaction”
- **Valeria A. Kasamara**, Head of the scientific research laboratory for political studies at the National Research University “Higher School of Economics” (Russia). “Portrait of today’s youth. Attitude to tolerance”

Session VI. "Historical Roots of Antisemitism"

MODERATORS:

Andrei K. Sorokin, Director of the Russian State Archive of Social and Political History (Russia)

Igor Kotler, Visiting Senior Research Fellow and Leader of US-Russia-Former Soviet Union Project at the Center for the Study of Genocide and Human Rights at Rutgers University (USA)

- **Arkadiy B. Kovelman**, Professor, Moscow State University (Russia)
- **Tamas Krausz**, Professor Emeritus, ELTE University (Hungary). "The rebirth of antisemitism in Eastern Europe on the basis of the Hungarian «model»: reasons and consequences"
- **Pavel M. Polyanskiy**, Director of Mandelstam Center of the National Research University "Higher School of Economics" (Russia). "Antisemitism in Russia: periodization, evolution, and interconnection of its forms"
- **Gennady V. Kostyrchenko**, Leading research fellow of the Institute of Russian History, Russian Academy of Sciences (Russia). "Combating official and public antisemitism during the last decades of the USSR"
- **Victor A. Shnirelman**, Senior Research Fellow of the N. N. Miklukho-Maklai Institute of Ethnology and Anthropology, Russian Academy of Sciences (Russia). "1918 in 2018: «Ritual murder of the emperor» and «katechon»"
- **René Nyberg**, Former Finnish Ambassador (Finland)

14:00–15:00 Lunch

15:00–16:30 Breakout sessions

Session VII. "European Experience of Combating Antisemitism, Racism and Xenophobia"

MODERATORS:

Mark Levin, Executive Vice-President, and Chief Executive Officer of the National Coalition Supporting Eurasian Jewry (USA)

Valery V. Engel, Head of the Center for monitoring and comparative analysis of intercultural communications at the Moscow Institute of Psychoanalysis (CMCA), Director of the Center for analysis of the radical right /CARR (Russia-Latvia)

- **Vera Tika**, Ph.D. student in Political Science at the University of Panteion (Greece). "Manifestations of anti-Semitism in Greece and its semantic meanings"
- **Christina Winkler**, Professor of the Russian State University for the Humanities (Germany). "Antisemitism in Germany today – a phenomenon mainly among Muslim immigrant communities?"
- **Lars Dencik**, Senior Professor of Social Psychology at the Roskilde University (Denmark). "New and emerging patterns of antisemitism and xenophobia in the Nordic welfare states"
- **Alexander Oscar**, President of the Organization of the Jews in Bulgaria SHALOM (Bulgaria)
- **Irena Ilieva**, Professor, Director of the Institute for Legal Studies Bulgarian Academy of Sciences (Bulgaria). "Critical review of the projects for amendments to the Law on Religions in Bulgaria in the light of Anti-Semitism"

Session VIII. "Antisemitism, Racism, and Xenophobia in the Mass Media"

MODERATORS:

Natella S. Boltyanskaya, Host of the "Bard song" program at the radio station "Echo of Moscow" (Russia)

Daniel Berke, Chair of the Zionist Central Council, member of the World Jewish Congress Jewish Diplomatic Corps (United Kingdom)

- **Vladimir V. Pozner**, TV journalist (Russia)
- **Alexei A. Venediktov**, Editor-in-chief and host of the radio station "Echo of Moscow" (Russia)
- **Alexander V. Minkin**, Journalist, Columnist for "MK" (Russia)
- **Ariel-Rodal Spieler**, Member of the World Jewish Congress Jewish Diplomatic Corps; Chief journalist for the IDC Herzliyan magazine (Israel)
- **NTV**
- **Russia-24**
- **RTVi**

Session IX. "Holocaust and genocides denial and diminishment: ways of combating"

MODERATORS:

Illya A. Altman, Professor of the Russian State University for the Humanities, co-chairman of the Center "Holocaust" (Russia)

Paul A. Levine, Associate Professor, Docent at The Theresienstadt Centre for Genocide Studies Research & Pedagogic director (Czech Republic)

- **Michael Berenbaum**, Director of the Sigi Ziering Institute: American Jewish University (USA)
- **Boris L. Havkin**, Professor of the Russian State University for the Humanities (Russia). "Martin Luther as «theologian of the Holocaust»"
- **Kiril Feferman**, Ph.D. Senior lecturer Ariel University, Director of the Holocaust History Center (Israel)
- **Linas Venclauskas**, Lecturer, Vytautas Magnus University, (Latvia)
- **Semion A. Charnyi**, Research Fellow at "Memorial" Center. (Russia) "Holocaust diminishment in the Internet and ways of combating"

16:30–18:00 Fourth Plenary Session. “Antisemitism, Xenophobia and Racism: Modern Challenges and Threats”

MODERATORS:

Michael Berenbaum, Director of the Sigi Ziering Institute: American Jewish University (USA)

Alexander G. Asmolov, Head of the Department of Personality Psychology at the Moscow State University, Member of the Russian Academy of Education (Russia)

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• **Dr. Shimon Samuels**, Director for International Relations at the Simon Wiesenthal Center (France)

• **Ira Forman**, Senior Fellow on Contemporary Antisemitism; Senior Fellow Moment Magazine; Formerly US Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism 2013-2017 (Georgetown University, USA)

• **Stephen Eric Bronner**, Professor, Rutgers University, Director of Global Relations at the Center for the Study of Genocide and Human Rights (USA) “Phenomenon of fanaticism in the modern world”

• **Valery V. Engel**, Head of the Center for monitoring and comparative analysis of intercultural communications at the Moscow Institute of Psychoanalysis (CMCA), Director of the Center for analysis of the radical right (CARR) in London (Russia). “Xenophobia and radicalism in Europe, 2014-2018. Main tendencies and beneficiaries”

18:00–19:00 Conference Hall. Summation of the Conference Findings. Sessions’ Moderators Reports. Adoption of the Resolution. Closing of the Conference

19:30 Farewell Dinner