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'History and media/Media and history: Educating Creatively'

Project leader:

- Institute for the Study of Totalitarian Regimes

Partners:

- Faculty of Arts, Charles University
- Nation's Memory Institute
- International Commission for the Evaluation of the Crimes of the Nazi and Soviet Occupation Regimes in Lithuania

Activities:

1. *The international inter-disciplinary and peer-reviewed conference "School vs. Memory? Conflict, Identity, Coexistence (Central Europe)"*
Date: 10 - 11 October 2014
Venue: Prague, Faculty of Arts, Charles University
For more information, see schoolxmemory.eu

SCHOOL  MEMORY

2. *Socialism Realised*

This learning environment enables a user to find and analyse multimedia content about the communist regimes in Europe. Using the Czechoslovak example, we describe the specifics of life in the Eastern bloc. Our material is understandable and approaches the experiences, feelings, and problems that people in the past had, showing society there as a complex and diverse culture.



Socialism Realised

Life in Communist Czechoslovakia, 1948-1989

3. *Historical Workshops series (Historické dílny)*

Historical Workshops is a series of seminars that aim to build a platform for creative dialogue among teachers, students and other groups interested in the process of history education. The series is focused on contemporary historical memory and its role in history education.





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Strand 1 – "European Remembrance"

8 events have been carried out within this project:

Event 1: Academic international conference

Participation: The event involved 138 citizens, including 119 participants from the Czech Republic, 3 participants from Germany, 8 participants from Great Britain, 2 participants from Romania, 2 participants from Slovakia, 1 participant from Estonia, 1 participant from Italy, 1 participant from the Netherlands, 1 participant from Finland.

Location / Dates: The event took place in Prague, Czech Republic, from 10/10/2014 to 11/10/2016

Short description: The focus of the event was memory from a didactic perspective. Our aim was to deal with questions such as, what are the difficulties that result from the use of a memory layer in the traditional interpretative frameworks employed at schools? How does a memory layer arise and what are its sources? What role does family memory play in the creation of historical consciousness?

Event 2: Fringe workshops of the conference School x Memory

Participation: The event involved 56 citizens, including 55 participants from the Czech Republic, 1 participant from Slovakia.

Location / Dates: The event took place in Prague and Ústí nad Labem, Czech Republic, from 25/09/2014 to 17/10/2014

Short description: The aim of the event was to build a platform for creative dialogue among teachers, students and other groups interested in the process of historical education. These fringe events accompanied the conference School x Memory.

Event 3: Historical workshops

Participation: The event involved 175 citizens, including 164 participants from the Czech Republic, 11 participants from Slovakia.

Location / Dates: The event took place in Prague, Nelahozeves, Czech Republic, from 06/10/2015 to 28/01/2016

Short description: The aim of the event was focused on contemporary historical memory and its role in history education. Topics of individual workshops were focused on various media through which history enters public space.

Event 4: Public debate with writers

Participation: The event involved 34 citizens, including 32 participants from the Czech Republic, 1 participant from Slovakia, 1 participant from Poland.

Location / Dates: The event took place in Prague, Czech Republic, from 05/10/2014 to 05/10/2014

Short description: The aim of the event was a public debate with writers Radka Denemarková, Jiří Hájíček and Kateřina Tučková. The main topic of the discussion were roles of trauma and memory in the novels of these authors.

Event 5: Piloting Socialism Realized learning environment in Slovakia

Participation: The event involved 199 citizens, including 199 participants from Slovakia.

Location / Dates: The event took place in Poprad, Prešov, Martin, Žilina, Slovakia, from 20/03/2015 to 17/04/2015

Short description: The aim of the event was, first, a meeting with the pilot coordinators, the authors of the portal and teachers, which took place in Poprad, Slovakia. The second phase consisted of piloting in schools in Slovakia. Primary and secondary schools from Prešov, Žilina and Martin were selected to cover regional differences as well as different levels and types of schools (public, church-run, private).



Event 6: Piloting Socialism Realized learning environment in Lithuania

Participation: The event involved 235 citizens, including 235 participants from Lithuania

Location / Dates: The event took place in Baisogala, Vabalninkas, Kalvaria, Vilnius, Utena, Kaunas, Lithuania from 14/04/2015 to 06/06/2015

Short description: The aim of the event was piloting in 6 schools in Lithuania.

Event 7: International workshops on Socialism Realized learning environment

Participation: The event involved 37 citizens, including 27 participants from the Czech Republic, 1 participant from Slovakia, 1 participant from France, 1 participant from Poland, 1 participant from Hungary, 1 participant from Germany, 5 participants from Spain

Location / Dates: The event took place in Prague, Czech Republic, from 10/04/2015 to 14/10/2015

Short description: The aim of the event was piloting the material of Socialism Realised during international workshops. The event included two workshops that used part of the material and media used in the portal, intense piloting, and an assessment session and a gathering of experts and the heads of the piloting.

Event 8: Preparatory activities

Participation: The event involved 22 citizens, including 18 participants from the Czech Republic, 4 participants from the city of Slovakia.

Location / Dates: The event took place in Prague, Křivoklát, Czech Republic and in Bratislava, Slovakia, from 25/09/2014 to 26/09/2015

Short description: The aim of the event were preparatory activities for the whole project – meeting at Křivoklát. Due to the extent of the project, some of the steps leading to the conference and future historical workshops were clarified and the main idea of Socialism Realised online learning environment was born. The subsequent preparatory activities included experimental trials of Historical workshops, a preparation and exploration to the series of autumn 2015.