







Student Conference

Shared Experience and Memory of 20th Century

> Relations between the Czech and Czechoslovak social majority and the Roma minority during the 20th and 21st centuries

April 7, 2025, 10:00 a.m. to April 9, 2025, 3:30 p.m.

"It often seemed to me that my uncle fought for Czechoslovakia in vain. He helped to liberate Czechoslovakia so that its people would be free. The soldiers who liberated Europe believed that they were fighting for a better society that would no longer humiliate people of different colour, culture or religion. How is it possible that, more than 70 years later, we are still fighting this?"

The Municipal Library of Písek and The Memorial to the Holocaust of the Roma and Sinti in Bohemia in Lety

Růžena Ďorďová, niece of the decorated Romani soldier Imrich Horváth

Participants fee: € 24 with accommodation / € 12 without accommodation (the participation fee includes: program, accommodation, meals, bus to Lety). Participants are responsible for their own transportation to and from the conference venue.

Language of the conference: Czech and English

Participants: high school students from the Czech Republic and Germany and their teachers

Programme: The theme of the conference will be dealt with during workshops, an expert lecture panel, an excursion to the new memorial in Lety and the cemetery in Mirovice, a film screening and discussions, for example with Růžena Ďorďová, whose words are used as the motto of the conference, and Jana Kokyova, a Chairwoman of the Committee for the Redress of the Roma Holocaust in the Czech Republic. We want to offer participants an open environment in which they will be able to gain new knowledge on the topic, participate in discussions and reflect their ideas. We also offer them an opportunity to use the acquired knowledge in their schools afterwards.

The conference is held under the auspices of Lucie Fuková, the Government Commissioner for Roma Minority Affairs.

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If you are interested in attending the conference, please register before February 28, via the **REGISTRATION FORM**.