

antisemitism in contemporary europe: an international symposium

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5:30 p.m. Reception (in front of the CEU Auditorium)

6:00 p.m.

Opening remarks: HE Aliza Bin-Noun, Ambassador of the State of Israel to Hungary; Andras Kovacs, Director, Jewish Studies Project, CEU

Keynote Address: Yehuda Z. Blum, Professor of International Law (Former Israeli Ambassador to the United Nations/Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
National and International Antisemitism

MARCH 19, 2009

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

**session 1: THE STATE OF antisemitism in
contemporary europe**

Moderator: Andras Kovacs (CEU)

Werner Bergmann (Center for Research on Antisemitism, Technical University Berlin)

Antisemitism in Germany: Unchanged Attitudes and Antisemitic Mobilization

Antoni Sulek (University of Warsaw)

Poles and Jews: What the 1967-2007 Surveys Tell

Elise Friedmann (Centrum Informatie en Documentatie Israel, The Hague)

Gaza in the Netherlands: Old-New Antisemitism, European Style

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

session 2: LEGAL RESPONSES TO HATE SPEECH

Moderator: Andras Hanak (Lawyer, ELTE)

Zoltan Lomnici (Former President of the Supreme Court of Hungary and of the National Council of Justice)

Reflections on the Protection of Human Dignity

Janos Kis (CEU)

The Dilemmas of Dealing with Hate Speech

1:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

session 3: MEDIA, INTERNET AND antisemitism

Moderator: Agnes Heller, Philosopher

Michael Shafir (Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca)

Freedom of Expression and Holocaust Denial: When Antisemites Turn Democrats

Mihaly Szilagyi-Gal (Institute for Art Theory and Media Studies, ELTE, Budapest)

Encoded Hate Speech and the Media: a Hungarian-European-American Comparison

Michael Whine (Community Security Trust; Board of Deputies of British Jews, UK)

Best Practices in Combating Antisemitism Online

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**session 4: GOOD PRACTICES
(HOW TO COUNTER antisemitism)**

Moderator: Victor Karady (CEU)

Raphael Vago (Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv)

Teaching about Antisemitism: Prejudices, Frustrations and Hope

Rafal Pankowski (Nigdy Wiecej; Collegium Civitas, Warsaw)

The Social Movement against Antisemitism: The Case of Poland

Andrew Baker (American Jewish Committee; OSCE)

Combating Antisemitism in the Political Arena

5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.

CLOSING DISCUSSION

Moderator: Michael L. Miller (CEU)

Gyorgy Konrad, Writer; Maria M. Kovacs (CEU); Andras Kovacs (CEU)