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Remember Holocaust - Building Bridges for a Common Future

Schedule

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12:00 (CET) Introduction of Youth for Equality and Remember the Holocaust activity.

12:10 Holocaust, anti-semitism, history (presentation).

Mrs. Mgr. Eva Baumann, Comenius University is an internal doctoral student at the Department of History, Faculty of Education of Comenius University (in the field of didactics of history), she teaches history at the C.S. Bilingual High School Lewis in Bratislava.

Questions of students and discussion:

What was the treatment of Jewish and Roma in the Slovakia? How did the German nation (civilians) react to the Holocaust? (Did normal people know about this when it happened? They protested? How did they deal with it after the war?) What was the Holocaust like in Italy? How would Europe be different if the Holocaust did not occur?

12:30 Survivor's experience (narration).

Mr. Ing. Jozef Cipin (1934) went through a camp in Nováky and later got into concentration camps in Sered and Terezín. He currently lives in Toronto.

Questions of students and discussion:

Mr. Cipin is telling his story of how he got to the camp, how he perceived it later on, and how it passed over time. What were the reactions to the Holocaust in your area - whether people at least protested in some way or were more afraid, or had no idea what was going on. What freedom means to you and how, from your point of view, a person, especially a young person, can protect it - how to behave.

13:00 Current situation of perception of the Holocaust, hate speech in society, discrimination. Active citizenship.

Mr. Mgr. Andrej Stančík is a doctoral student in international relations and politics, and since 2020 a member of the National Council of the Slovak Republic for the OĽANO movement. He is the chairman of the Civic Democrat Youth.

Questions of students and discussion:

In your opinion, is the Holocaust awareness sufficient in Slovakia? Or do people have tendency to forget the past? Or maybe do they think it's none of their business? Do you think that something like this could happen again, if not, then why? What does the reason for the extremist mood return and how can it be influenced by politics and as an ordinary citizen? Whether there is a problem in education and whether it concerns similar topics in the National Council of the Slovak Republic - especially in connection with education. How is perceived hate speech of other deputies in the National Council and what are the reactions of other colleagues.



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13:30 Practical examples of active citizenship (presentation).

Mrs. Kristína Grečková from the Milan Šimečka Foundation, project manager.

Questions of students and discussion

Description of the projects they deal with in the foundation, any obstacles they most often encounter in projects focused on inclusion, and also what do you think today's society in Slovakia is set up in general - if something similar happened today, how would people react to it? Could something like this happen today?

Students' experiences, suggestions and recommendations

14:00 - 14:30 End of discussion.

Moderator - Veronika Goldiňáková is currently studying translation and interpreting in English and Russian at the Comenius University in Bratislava. She speaks six languages, and during her studies she has been on several study stays abroad. In 2018 she completed an internship at the Representation of the European Commission in Slovakia, and currently works as an intern at SFPA. At the Faculty of Arts of the CU, Veronika founded and now leads the project Samyzdat focused on translations of contemporary Russian literature, of which she is a big admirer.

Organizer - Youth for Equality is a youth initiative with the aim of implementing effective changes and developing activities at the local level, but also at the international level in the field of education. The organization provides counseling and organizes educational activities in order to help young people improve their skills and knowledge, take advantage of useful educational and career opportunities at local and international level.

Language - English

Target group - young people, students of bilingual grammar schools and Uni