

**International Conference: Simon Wiesenthal Conference 2013
Collaboration in Eastern Europe during World War II and the Holocaust
December 5-7, 2013, Vienna, Austria**

Organizers

Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum
Vienna Wiesenthal Institute for Holocaust Studies (VWI)

Call for Papers

The Vienna Wiesenthal Institute for Holocaust Studies (VWI) and the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum's Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies invite applications for an interdisciplinary conference on complicity and collaboration in World War II and the Holocaust in the Eastern part of Europe. The conference will be held December 5-7, 2013 in Vienna.

This three-day conference will bring together scholars from all disciplines working on complicity and collaboration in a number of European countries to share their research with each other and the public. The conference will consist of two and a half days of presentations and roundtable discussions open to the public, and one half day of workshop sessions.

The conference seeks to highlight new research on the complexity and dynamics of complicity and collaboration in such areas as mass killing and other atrocities; forced and slave labour; everyday life on the front and under occupation; plunder, robbery, and expropriation; the radicalisation of local politics during Nazi occupation; and understudied victims.

Applicants interested in presenting a paper should be currently researching or completing projects exploring the topics and issues listed above, broadly understood. Proposals on new, previously unpublished research are welcome from scholars in all relevant academic disciplines, including doctoral students who have advanced to candidacy. Successful applicants will be required to submit a copy of their presentation in advance of the conference for circulation among commentators, other panelists, and conference participants.

The conference will be conducted in English and German.

Proposal submission

The deadline for receipt of proposals is **June 2, 2013**. Participants will be selected and notified in June. To propose a paper for this conference, please send:

- (1) a cover letter addressing your specific interests in the study of complicity and collaboration;
- (2) your curriculum vitae; and
- (3) an abstract of no more than 500 words for your proposed paper in a pdf file

to Éva Kovács and Béla Rásky at <cfp@vwi.ac.at>.

Submissions must include the speaker's name, contact address, and email.

Travel and accommodations

The conference organizers will provide lodging for the duration of the conference and a stipend to partially defray transportation costs for conference participants. Any necessary visas will be the responsibility of the conference participant. The Vienna Wiesenthal Institute can provide invitation letters for the purpose of visa applications

Travel awards for junior scholars

A limited number of junior scholar stipends will also be available to partially defray costs for graduate students and junior scholars from post-communist countries to attend the conference. Applicants must be advanced graduate students or recent Ph.D. recipients no more than three years beyond conferral of their degree, and must reside in one of the countries in the regions covered by this CfP. Scholars enrolled in graduate programs or teaching at universities outside of these countries are not eligible for junior scholar travel stipends. Please note that these awards are not for panelists presenting papers, but for junior scholars who wish to attend the conference as part of the audience.

To apply for a junior scholar travel stipend, please submit:

- (1) a curriculum vitae that indicates your current academic affiliation;
- (2) a statement of interest of not more than 750 words addressing your specific interest in attending the conference, background in the area of study, and how attendance will benefit the candidate's research, teaching, or future publications; and
- (3) a supporting letter from an academic advisor, department chair, or dean that addresses the candidate's qualifications and research as well as his/her potential as a scholar to

Krista Hegburg, Program Officer, Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies,
at <khegburg@ushmm.org>.

Statements of interest and CVs must be submitted in English; the supporting letter may be submitted in either English or one of the languages of the applicant's country. The deadline for receipt of application for the junior scholar travel stipends is **June 15, 2013**. Participants will be notified in July 2013.