

## EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
<b>Participant:</b>	<i>Documenta</i> – Centre for dealing with the past ( <i>Documenta</i> )
<b>PIC number:</b>	942095526
<b>Project name and acronym:</b>	Power of Personal Stories in Confronting Oblivion (PPSCO)

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
<b>Event number:</b>	WP1
<b>Event name:</b>	Research on the context of Holocaust distortion and mapping the best practices of confronting distortion in the partner countries
<b>Type:</b>	Partner meetings; educational visits
<b>In situ/online:</b>	In-situ
<b>Location:</b>	Rijeka, Croatia (A1) All the partner countries (A2) Lipa, Croatia (A4) Maribor, Slovenia (A6)
<b>Date(s):</b>	27-30 April 2024 (A1) 22 March 2024; 22 April 2024; 30 April 2024; 15 May 2024; 23 May 2024; 30 May 2024; 22 July 2024 (A2) 30 April 2024 (A4) 16 September 2024 (A6)
<b>Website(s) (if any):</b>	<a href="http://documenta.hr">Power of Personal Stories in Confronting Oblivion - Kultura sjećanja (documenta.hr)</a>
Participants	
Female:	94
Male:	58
Non-binary:	2
From country 1 – Croatia:	69
From country 2 – Germany:	6
From country 3 – Italy:	5
From country 4 – Romania:	6

From country 5 – Slovenia:	62		
From country 6 – Spain:	6		
Total number of participants:	154	From total number of countries:	6
<b>Description</b>			
<i>Provide a short description of the event and its activities.</i>			
<p>WP1 had 4 main activities:</p> <p><b>A1) Kick off meeting – Rijeka (HR), 27-30 April 2024</b></p> <p>The kick-off meeting had the main aim to establish trust for cooperation within the consortium for the successful implementation of the project, and to start discussing with the partners the trans-national dimension of the phenomenon of Holocaust denial and distortion.</p> <p>The meeting was held in the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences in Rijeka, and organized in cooperation with the Center for Holocaust and genocide research in Southeast Europe. During the meeting, the partners discussed questions connected to finances, administration and communication, and planned in detail the project activities. They also took part to a guided tour, organized with in cooperation with the historian Vanni D'Alessio, on locations connected with Holocaust, resistance, and WWII in the city of Rijeka.</p> <p>A1 included 10 participants</p> <p><b>A2) Internal organizational meetings – all partner countries (March – July 2024)</b></p> <p>The internal meetings aimed to inform the members of the organizations who were not directly included in the kick-off about the project's aims, activities and results. During the meetings, the participants brainstormed on how to research the specific context and current trends in Holocaust denial and distortion in their country, and how they could contribute to the project results and implementation. The partners also planned the first project result: R1 – Desk Research, which had to focus on their national and local context.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EUROM: 5 participants (22.03.2024.);</li> <li>• Documenta: 8 participants (22.04.2024.);</li> <li>• MMH: 5 participants (30.04.2024);</li> <li>• Rijeka University: 5 participants (15.05.2024.);</li> <li>• Maribor Synagogue: 5 participants (23.05.2024.);</li> <li>• IIT: 5 participants (30.05.2024.)</li> <li>• Topografia per la storia: 5 participants (22.07.2024.);</li> </ul> <p>A2 included in total 38 participants</p> <p><b>A4) Visit for youth in Lipa – Lipa (HR), 30 April 2024</b></p> <p>The visit for youth in Lipa answered the following WP objective: to improve youth's knowledge on the crimes of the Holocaust and awareness about distortion of historical facts, as well as to support the reconsignment of the importance of local history.</p> <p>On April 30 – the 80th anniversary of the massacre in the town of Lipa - high school and university students from Rijeka visited the Memorial Center "Lipa Remembers". The Memorial Center keeps the memory of April 30<sup>th</sup> 1944, when Nazi soldiers killed 269 Lipa residents, including 96 children, to revenge actions of sabotage and cut the support system of partisans and other opponents. Nazi</p>			

soldiers looted and burned the village and of all the locals who were in the village that day, only six survived. In memory of those killed, the students planted a laurel and a fig tree.

A4 included 50 participants

#### **A6) Visit for youth in Maribor Synagogue**

The main aim of the activity A6 was to improve the visibility of local places of memory, with a focus on the importance of remembering Jewish life, history, and traditions before the Holocaust, as also underlined by IHRA priorities.

On the 16<sup>th</sup> of September 2024, the local partners of Maribor Synagogue organized a lecture and guided visit for the local gymnasium. The students took part to a lecture connected to the local dimensions of Jewish life and the Holocaust, in order to bring them closer to their local histories and better understand the position of the city of Maribor and its inhabitants in the intra-war period and during WWII. After the lecture, the students visited the Synagogue, which represents one of the most important monuments of Jewish cultural heritage within the Slovenian territory, and also one of the older preserved synagogues within the Central European area.

A6 included 56 participants

HISTORY OF CHANGES		
VERSION	PUBLICATION DATE	CHANGE
1.0	01.04.2022	Initial version (new MFF).
2.0	16.10.2024.	EDS uploaded in Sygma