

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Cultural Policies

for the Promotion of

# European DEMOCRATIC MEMORY

OCTOBER 4 TO 6, 2023

Lázaro Galdiano Museum



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**European**  
**DEMOCRATIC**  
**MEMORY**

Since the end of the armed conflicts that devastated Europe in the 20<sup>th</sup> century, the promotion of democratic memory policies has become a moral duty which requires reinforcement in order to neutralize oblivion and avoid a repetition of the most tragic episodes of our most recent history. Education and Culture, as the pillars on which memory rests, are decisive elements in the promotion of open, inclusive and plural forms of citizenship with full awareness of their own history, capable of detecting and deactivating the totalitarian or anti-democratic drifts that are growing within it.

To achieve this end, European countries have launched a series of networks that support and promote the classification of public spaces of memory and the creation of memorials and museums that pay homage to the individual and collective struggles of women and men who have contributed to the advancement of human rights, freedoms and democracy. Through remembrance, present and future generations will be able to appreciate the freedom and democratic rights that they enjoy today and defend them from possible breaches.

This International Conference, in the framework of the Spanish Presidency of the Council of the European Union, will make visible those initiatives which have laid the foundations in Europe for the management of cultural heritage from the perspective of remembrance, the defense of human rights and the firm commitment to “non-repetition” as the unequivocal ethical imperative of a democratic European society ●

# WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER, 4

- 09:00 h.

RECEPTION AND REGISTRATION

- 09:30 h.

OPENING

**FÉLIX BOLAÑOS GARCÍA**

Minister of the Presidency, Relations with the Cortes and Democratic Memory

WELCOME

**FERNANDO MARTÍNEZ LÓPEZ**

State Secretary of Democratic Memory

- 10:00 h.

**OPENING CONFERENCE. PABLO DE GREIFF**

Former United Nations Rapporteur for the Promotion of Truth, Justice, Reparation and Guarantees of Non-Repitition. United Nations Commissioner of Inquiry on Ukraine

**“Promotion of democratic culture: memory for a better future”**

- 11:00 - 11:30 h.

COFFEE BREAK

## 1. INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

*The grouping of individuals, associations and institutions in different collaborative networks has been decisive in managing European democratic memory through its cultural heritage. This session will offer a broad vision of these connections at the international and European level.*

### ● 11:30 - 12:30 h.

#### **ROUNDTABLE 1 THE PROMOTION OF DEMOCRATIC VALUES THROUGH CULTURE**

##### **MODERATOR: Jaime Alejandro Moreno Bau**

Director. Centro Sefarad-Israel

##### **COUNCIL OF EUROPE**

Directorate of Democratic Participation

**Jean-Philippe Restoueix.** Administrator

##### **IHRA**

International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance

**Sara Lustig.** Co-chair 2023

##### **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**

Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values programme

**Maria Inmaculada Pérez Rocha.** Advisor

##### **EUROPEAN INVESTMENT BANK**

Financing of memory recovery projects

**Bruno Rossignol.** Director of Climate and Historical Heritage

### ● 12:30 - 14:00 h.

#### **LUNCH**

● 14:00 - 15:00 h.

**ROUNDTABLE 2**  
**CULTURAL HERITAGE AS A CATALYST**  
**FOR DEMOCRATIC VALUES**

**MODERATOR: Almudena Cruz Yábar**

Chief Cabinet of the Director General of Democratic Memory

**ICOMOS**

International Council on Monuments and Sites

**Teresa Patricio.** President

**ICMEMOHRI**

International Committee of Memorial Museums  
for the Remembrance of Victims of Public Crimes  
and for the Safeguarding of Human Rights

**Jane Klinger.** Chair

**Kateryna Chuieva.** Former Deputy Minister of Culture  
and Information Policy of Ukraine

**EUROPEAN INSTITUTE FOR CULTURAL ROUTES**

ATRIUM. Architecture of Totalitarian Regimes  
of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century in Europe's Urban Memory.  
Iron Curtain Trail. Liberation Route

**Stefano Dominioni.** Director

● 15:00 - 15:30 h.

**COFFEE BREAK**

● 16:00 h.

**VISIT TO THE CONTEMPORARY**  
**ART MUSEUM REINA SOFÍA**



THURSDAY, OCTOBER, 5

## 2. NATIONAL CULTURAL POLICIES OF DEMOCRATIC MEMORY

*At the national level, cultural policies largely define the future of the European democratic memory. The importance, the space and the resources that are allocated to this end in Europe will be the object of analysis of this table moderated by Spain.*

● 09:00 - 10:30 h.

### ROUNDTABLE 1

**SPAIN. MINISTRY OF THE PRESIDENCY,  
RELATIONS WITH THE CORTES AND DEMOCRATIC MEMORY**

**MODERATOR: Diego Blázquez Martín.** Director General of Democratic Memory

**FRANCE. MINISTRY OF CULTURE**

**Bruno Favel.** Head of World Heritage Mission at the General Directorate for Heritage and Architecture

**UKRAINE.**

**Kateryna Chuieva.** Former Deputy Minister of Culture and Information Policy of Ukraine

**SLOVENIA. MINISTRY OF CULTURE**

**Špela Spanžel.** Director General of Cultural Heritage

**GERMANY. MINISTRY OF CULTURE AND MEDIA**

**Maria Bering.** Director General of History and Memory

**CROATIA. MINISTRY OF CULTURA AND MEDIA**

**Nevena Tudor Perković.** Director General of Cultural and Artistic Development

● 10:30 - 11:00 h.

### COFFEE BREAK

### 3. MUSEUMS AND INTERPRETATION CENTERS

*Today, from the perspective of respect for human rights, Europe is facing anti-democratic episodes reminiscent of the past. Museums are cultural agents of vital importance in non-regulated education. Museums are guarantors and transmitters of memory and a fundamental piece in the dissemination of democratic culture.*

#### ● 11:00 - 12:30 h.

##### **ROUNDTABLE 2 COLONIALISM AS PART OF EUROPEAN MEMORY**

**MODERATOR: Robert Verhoogt.** Senior policy advisor.  
Ministry of Education, Culture and Science. The Netherlands

**AFRICAMUSEUM**  
**Bart Ouvry.** Director

**NATIONAAL MUSEUM VAN WERELDCULTUREN**  
**Marieke van Bommel.** Director

**FONDATION POUR LA MÉMOIRE DE L'ESCLAVAGE**  
**Dominique Taffin.** Director

#### ● 12:30 - 14:00 h.

**LUNCH**

#### ● 14:00 - 15:30 h.

##### **ROUNDTABLE 3 THE WAR CONFLICTS OF THE 20<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY**

**THE RESIGNIFICATION OF CUELGAMUROS**  
**Francisco Ferrándiz.** Advisor to the State Secretary of Democratic Memory

**MEMORIAL DU CAMP DE RIVESALTES**  
**Céline Sala-Pons.** Director



**STIFTUNG DENKMAL FÜR DIE ERMORDETEN JUDEN EUROPAS**

**Adam Kerpel-Fronius.** Memorial culture and International Relations  
Project Manager

**MUSEU DO ALJUBE RESISTÊNCIA E LIBERDADE**

**Rita Rato.** Director

**MEMORIJALNI CENTAR SREBRENICA**

**Emir Suljagić.** Director

● **15:30 - 16:00 h.**

**CLOSURE**

**DIEGO BLÁZQUEZ MARTÍN**

Director General of Democratic Memory

● **16:00 - 16:30 h.**

**COFFEE BREAK**

● 16:30 - 18:00 h.

**REFLECTION GROUP**  
**"EU AND CULTURAL HERITAGE"**  
**CULTURAL MEMORY POLICIES IN EUROPE**

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- ROBERT VERHOOGT



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- RITA RATO. MUSEU DO ALJUBE RESISTÊNCIA E LIBERDADE
- PROF. ANN RIGNEY. UTRECHT UNIVERSITY
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- JAN SCHULTHEIB. ACTION GROUP INTEGRATED APPROACHES TO DISSONANT HERITAGE
- EMIR SULJAGIĆ. MEMORIJALNI CENTAR SREBRENICA
- DOMINIQUE TAFFIN. MÉMORIAL DE L'ABOLITION DE L'ESCLAVAGE
- GREGORY TUBAN. MEMORIAL DU CAMP DE RIVESALTES
- BRUNO VARGAS. MEMORIAL DU CAMP DE RIVESALTES

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER, 6

### VISIT TO CUELGAMUROS

- 09:00 h. Departure from the Lázaro Galdiano Museum
- 13:00 h. Arrival at the Lázaro Galdiano Museum

