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## Meeting of the coordinators of the international project "IMAGINE" in Berlin

In mid-May, representatives from 7 countries participating in the "Imagine" project gathered for a coordinators' meeting in Berlin. The idea for the project was conceived and representatives from different countries were brought together by the organization Centropa. The international project Imagine is about the lives and fates of Jewish women in different European countries in the 20th century. [More information](#)



## Sharing experiences and ideas in implementing projects on topics related to Lithuanian Jewish history

On May 20, Balbieriškis Primary School hosted a practical conference entitled "Local Projects on Lithuanian Jewish History" for teachers, museum curators, and all education professionals. [More information](#)







## International TOLI workshop for European teachers

On May 22–26, an international seminar for teachers and education workers from European countries was held in Dachau, Germany.

During the intensive seminar program, teachers participated in active classes, learned about the history of the former Nazi concentration camp in Dachau, visited the museum, and completed various creative tasks using materials from the Dachau Museum and other historical sources. [More information](#)

## Discover the history of the Paneriai Holocaust Memorial by following the old road from Vilnius to Paneriai

On May 29, Forty-two students, accompanied by six teachers and members of the educational staff, took part in the march from Konarskis Street to the Paneriai Holocaust Memorial.

During the march, they stopped at each information stand prepared by the Jewish Culture and Information Center in Vilnius, and Ingrida Vilkienė, coordinator of the International Commission's educational programs, told them about the history of this route. [More information](#)



## The “Abandoned Homes” initiative commemorates the Day of Mourning and Hope

On 14 June, Lithuanian educational institutions marked the Day of Mourning and Hope by joining the “Abandoned Homes” initiative.

On the 84th anniversary of the deportation of the Lithuanian population this year, the official commemoration event took place in Vilnius on Saturday 14 June at the Memorial to the Exiles in Naujoji Vilnia, near the railway station. [More information](#)





## Historian Saulius Sužiedėlis introduced a new book on the Holocaust in Lithuania

On June 17, a new book „Crisis, War, and the Holocaust in Lithuania“ by historian and professor Saulius Sužiedėlis was premiered in Vilnius. The book is the first scholarly study of Lithuania during the Second World War written in English, using previously unavailable archives and scholarly publications published in Lithuania in the post-war period. It is awaiting translation into Lithuanian for use by Lithuanian educators. [More information](#)



## International TOLI Institute workshop for teachers in Lithuania

From 16 to 20 June, a seminar “Learning from the Past – Acting for the Future. Teaching about the Holocaust and human rights violations” for Lithuanian teachers and education specialists was held at the premises of the Lithuanian Jewish Community in Vilnius, Lithuania.

This is an annual seminar for the Lithuanian education community. [More information](#)



## A seminar for Lithuanian teachers on the history of the YIVO Institute and its historical sources

On June 12–13, an international seminar for Lithuanian teachers was held at the Martynas Mažvydas National Library of Lithuania in Vilnius to commemorate the centenary of the founding of the YIVO Institute in Vilnius and to present a virtual museum with a prepared methodological tool, “Beba's Story,” based on the story of Beba Epstein, a girl who lived in Vilnius, and to learn more about the possibilities of using the sources collected by YIVO. [More information](#)



## A remembrance event about the annihilated Jewish community of Jurbarkas

On 3 July, the commemorative event “To Remember and to Tell: Stories of the Jews of Jurbarkas” took place to honour the victims of the Holocaust.

The event began at the Holocaust victims' memorial site, located near the old Jewish cemetery in the town of Jurbarkas. This is an annual commemoration event marking the first mass killings on July 3, 1941, during which 322 people were killed, including about 20 Lithuanians. [More information](#)

