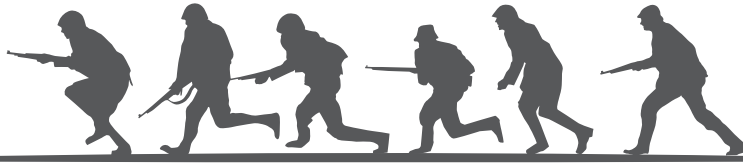




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## THE SLOVAK NATIONAL UPRISING AND EUROPE IN ARMS AGAINST FASCISM

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE • BANSKÁ BYSTRICA • 11 – 13 NOVEMBER 2024

*The conference is co-organised by the Museum of the Slovak National Uprising, Institute of Military History, Nation's Memory Institute, Faculty of Political Sciences and International Relations of Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica and the Slovak Historical Society at the Slovak Academy of Sciences.*

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### C O N F E R E N C E P R O G R A M M E

## MONDAY, 11 NOVEMBER 2024

### WAR VETERANS DAY (11:00 – 13:00)

Opening remarks

Screening of the movie *Mlčanie*

Meeting Capt Vladimír Strmeň, veteran  
of the Slovak National Uprising

Wreath laying ceremony, speeches and planting  
a rose bush in memory of war veterans  
on the Museum of the Slovak National Uprising  
grounds (13:00 – 13:30)

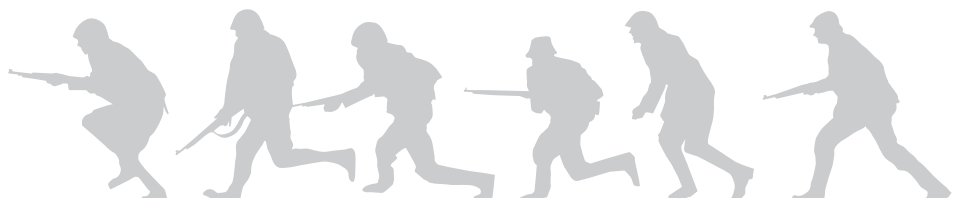
### PANEL DISCUSSION (17:00 – 18:30)

*The Memory of the Nation 80+ Years "After":  
Is Commemorating the Past Becoming  
a Ceremonial Routine?*

### WELCOME SOIRÉE (FROM 19:00)

Bašta Restaurant

*(for active participants of the conference)*



# TUESDAY, 12 NOVEMBER 2024

**Attendees' Registration (8:00 – 9:00)**

**Conference Opening (9:00 – 9:20)**

Representatives from the organising institutions

**THE ARMY IN THE FIGHT AGAINST FASCISM (9:20 – 11:10)**

Ivan Fuksa (Institute of Military History, Prague):  
**"First in the Fight!" War in the Borderlands in September 1938**

Jozef Bystrický (Institute of Military History, Bratislava):

**Situation Development on the European Fronts in the Summer of 1944 and its Effects on the Attitudes of the Anti-Fascist Coalition Powers Towards the Uprising in Slovakia**

Igor Baka (Institute of Military History, Bratislava):  
**The Insurgent Army in Slovakia and Some Aspects of its Relationship with the Czechoslovak Government in London**

Marian Uhrin (Museum of the Slovak National Uprising in Banská Bystrica):

**Comparison of Insurgent and German Forces on the Example of the Battles for Strečno**

*DISCUSSION*

**Coffee Break (11:10 – 11:30)**

**HLINKA'S PARTY REGIME AND THE UPRISING (11:30 – 12:30)**

Zdenka Hešterová (Nation's Memory Institute, Bratislava):

**"We Will Not Betray!": the Slovak National Uprising in the "Ludák" Propaganda**

Katarína Bohová (Comenius University in Bratislava – Ľ. Štúr Institute of Linguistics SAS, Bratislava):

**"They Would Like to Convince the World that This is an Anti-German Action of the Slovaks". The Image of Great Britain and the USA during the Slovak National Uprising in Selected Print Media in Slovakia**

*DISCUSSION*

**LUNCH BREAK (12:30 – 13:30)**

Bašta Restaurant (for active participants of the conference)

**UPRISING-ALLIED NATIONS AND NATIONALITIES (13:30 – 15:20)**

Martin Posch (Institute of History SAS, Holocaust Documentation Centre, Bratislava):

**The "Anglo-American" Mission in the Slovak National Uprising – Latest Research Results**

Ákos Bartha (HUN-REN Research Centre for the Humanities Institute of History, Budapest):

**On the Border: Hungarians and the Slovak National Uprising**

Andrzej Olejko (State University Of Technology And Economics, Jarosław):

**Allied Air Support of the Slovak National Uprising. Reflection 80 Years Later**

Daniela Ozacky Stern (Western Galilee College, Akko):

**Between Survival and Identity: Jews in the Slovak National Uprising and Among the Partisans**

*DISCUSSION*

**Coffee Break (15:20 – 15:40)**

**REFLECTIONS OF ANTI-FASCISM ABROAD (15:40 – 16:40)**

Vera Pinchuk

(Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica):

**Perception of the Slovak National Uprising in Russian-Language Historiography after 1991**

Patrizia Prando Šušová (Museum of the Slovak

National Uprising in Banská Bystrica): **The Role and Significance of the Resistance Movement Against Fascism in Italy from its Origins to the Present**

*DISCUSSION*

**PANEL DISCUSSION (17:00 – 18:30)**

*Can the Slovak Society Cope with the History of the Slovak State?*

**Screening of the movie**

**Generál Viest – vytrhnutý z histórie (19:00 – 20:30)**

The Museum of the Slovak National Uprising's cinema auditorium

**End of Day 1**

**Social gathering (from 20:30)**

Foyer of the Memorial of the SNU

(for active participants of the conference)

# WEDNESDAY, 13 NOVEMBER 2024

## THE FASCIST AXIS AND THE UPRISING (8:30 – 10:40)

Vladimír Krajčovič (Bratislava City Museum):  
**German Anti-Partisan Operation "Hindenburg"**

Pavel Tesárek (Prague):  
**German Anti-Partisan Operation "Wolfsburg"**

Tomáš Hofírek (Košice):  
**He Photographed the SNU for the German Army**

Lars Hellwinkel (Sandbostel Camp Memorial):  
**The Destiny of the Prisoners in the Slovak National Uprising – the Example of Stalag X B Sandbostel**

Ákos Fóris (Eötvös Loránd University; Institute for Violence Research, Budapest):  
**Between the Hungarian Army and the Partisans – The Defection of the Hungarian Soldiers and Labour Servicemen on the Eastern Front**

## *DISCUSSION*

**Coffee Break (10:40 – 11:00)**

## SPECIFIC SOCIAL GROUPS IN THE UPRISING (11:00 – 12:45)

Eva Škorvanková (Comenius University in Bratislava):  
**Živena Organisation and its Members in the Slovak National Uprising**

Erika Mészárosová (Brno University of Technology):  
**"Invisible Women" of the Slovak National Uprising: Ephemeral Monuments and Women's Participation in the Resistance**

Marek Schön (Masaryk University, Brno):  
**Women in the Illegal Group "Pavel" – a Story of Two Forgotten**

Peter Račko (Central Slovak Museum, Banská Bystrica):  
**Representatives of the Slovak Evangelical Intelligentsia in the SNU**

## *DISCUSSION*

**LUNCH BREAK (12:45 – 14:00)**  
Bašta Restaurant (for active participants of the conference)

## INDIVIDUALS AND THE UPRISING (14:00 – 16:00)

Zdeněk Doskočil (Institute of History CAS, Prague):  
**Ladislav Novomeský and the Slovak National Uprising (Bratislava, Banská Bystrica, London, Moscow)**

Lukáš Volentier (Museum of the Slovak National Uprising in Banská Bystrica):  
**Stories of the Fighters from Improvised Armoured Trains**

Jozef Pavlov (J. Alexy Elementary School, Zvolen):  
**Rudolf Blažovský – a Leading Figure of the Resistance in Zvolen and its Surroundings**

Pavel Kreisinger (Palacký University, Olomouc):  
**Lt Col Eugen Surovčík (1914 – 1970): Criminal, Brute, Insurgent**

## *DISCUSSION*

**End of Conference**





on the basis of a decision  
of the Bundestag

## ACCOMPANYING PROGRAMME – DISCUSSIONS

organised by the Faculty of Political Sciences and International Relations of the Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica as part of the University Partnership Program with the help of Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany supported by the Federal Ministry of Finance (Bundesministerium der Finanzen) and the Foundation Remembrance, Responsibility and Future (Stiftung Erinnerung, Verantwortung und Zukunft).

### MONDAY, 11 NOVEMBER 2024

**Panel discussion (17:00 – 18:30)**

**Topic:**

***The Memory of the Nation 80+ Years "After":  
Is Commemorating the Past Becoming  
a Ceremonial Routine?***

**Panelists:**

Martin Veselý (Jan Evangelista Purkyně University  
in Ústí nad Labem)

Ivan Šuša (Comenius University in Bratislava)

Jaroslav Valent (*Historická revue*  
– Institute of History SAS, Bratislava)

**Chair:**

Anton Hruboň (Matej Bel University  
in Banská Bystrica, Claims Conference lecturer  
for Holocaust Studies)

### TUESDAY, 12 NOVEMBER 2024

**Panel discussion (17:00 – 18:30)**

*with presentation of the publication entitled Slovenský  
štát v nás: Politika, kultúra, pamäť (1945 – 2020)*

**Topic:**

***Can the Slovak Society Cope  
with the History of the Slovak State?***

**Panelists:**

Anton Hruboň (Matej Bel University  
in Banská Bystrica, Claims Conference lecturer  
for Holocaust Studies)

Marek Syrný (Matej Bel University in Banská  
Bystrica)

**Chair:**

Jaroslav Valent (*Historická revue*  
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