CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

RESISTANCE IN TIME AND MEMORY

10–11 NOVEMBER 2026 BANSKÁ BYSTRICA

MUSEUM OF THE SLOVAK NATIONAL UPRISING

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2026

8:30 – 9:30 Participant registration
9:30 – 9:50 Conference Opening

9:50 – 11:10 1. BLOCK:
FRONT-LINE AND UNDERGROUND RESISTANCE

Igor Baka (Institute of Military History, Bratislava)
The Formation and Early Combat Deployment of a Jewish Unit from the Nováky Labor Camp during the Slovak National Uprising

Ivan Fuksa (Institute of Military History, Prague)
Komárno in 1938

Karol Kordas (The Home Army Museum, Kraków)
Between Service, Survival and Resistance: Forms of Railway Workers Resistance in German-Occupied Poland, 1939–1945

Michal Schvarc (Institute of History SAS)
The Forgotten – German Antifascists in the Resistance in Slovakia

DISCUSSION

11:10 – 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 12:50 2. BLOCK:
COUNTER-RESISTANCE POLICIES OF OCCUPYING POWERS AND DOMESTIC REGIMES

Zdenka Hešterová (Institute of Military History, Bratislava)
Resistance by Employees in the Largest Arms Factories in the Považie Region and German Reprisals (1939–1945)

Tomáš Hofírek (Museum of the Slovak National Uprising)
Anti-partisan operations of the German army in the Vihorlat region in the autumn of 1944

Pavel Tesárek (Prague)
Slovak Prisoner-of-War (Concentration) Camp in Nitra, 1944

Vladimír Krajčovič – Pavel Tesárek (Bratislava – Prague)
The Capture of Generals Viest and Golian in November 1944 in Light of German Documents

DISCUSSION
12:50 – 14:00 Lunch break

14:00 – 15:05 3. BLOCK:
RESISTANCE CELEBRATED AND CONTESTED 1

Patrizia Šušová Prando
(Museum of the Slovak National Uprising)
From Uprising to Ritual: The Slovak National Uprising and the Italian Resistenza in Collective Memory and Political Narratives

Vladimír Vokál (Metropolitan University Prague)
Hero or collaborator? Jaroslav Vozka and the political reinterpretation of the anti-Nazi resistance after February 1948

Miroslav Záveský (Charles University, Prague)
The Second World War and the resistance in selected Czech and Slovak history textbooks

DISCUSSION

15:05 – 15:25 Coffee break

15:25 – 16:15 3. BLOCK:
RESISTANCE CELEBRATED AND CONTESTED 2

Radoslav Ragač (Nation´s Memory Institute)
"A Dead Man's Testimony about the Slovak National Uprising"

Matej Medvecký (Institute of Military History, Bratislava)
Jozef Marko, defender of the insurgent army

DISCUSSION

16:15 – 17:00 Technical break

17:00 – 19:15 Screening of the movie GENERÁL GOLIAN, director Juraj Štepka

19:15 – 20:00 Discussion with the director, actors, and historians

20:00 Social gathering Foyer of the Memorial of the SNU (for active conference participants)

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9:30 – 10:35 4. BLOCK:
RESISTANCE AS HERITAGE

Olgierd Grott (The Home Army Museum, Kraków)
The Home Army Museum and the Legacy of the Polish Independence Underground

Lenka Lubušká – Vladimír Svrček (Slovak National Museum – Historical Museum)
Sites of Memory in Normandy. The Legacy of Operation Overlord in Collective Memory.

Lukáš Volentier (Museum of the Slovak National Uprising)
Means of payment, awards, and plaques themed around the Slovak National Uprising after 1945

DISCUSSION

10:35 – 10:55 Coffee break

10:55 – 12:00 5. BLOCK:
THE MANY FACES OF RESISTANCE 1

Branislav Geschwandtner – Kristína Majerová (Center of Shared Activities SAS, Archive SAS)
Academic Elites Between Science, Ethics, and Resistance

Ivan Nociar (Slovak Historial Society at the SAS)
Ľudovít Manica – Spy, Convict, and Partisan

Tereza Richtáriková (Museum of Romani Culture)
Life, Death, and Their Image: The Oláh Brothers in the Resistance and in Memory

12:00 – 13:30 Lunch break

13:30 – 14:35 5. BLOCK:
THE MANY FACES OF RESISTANCE 2

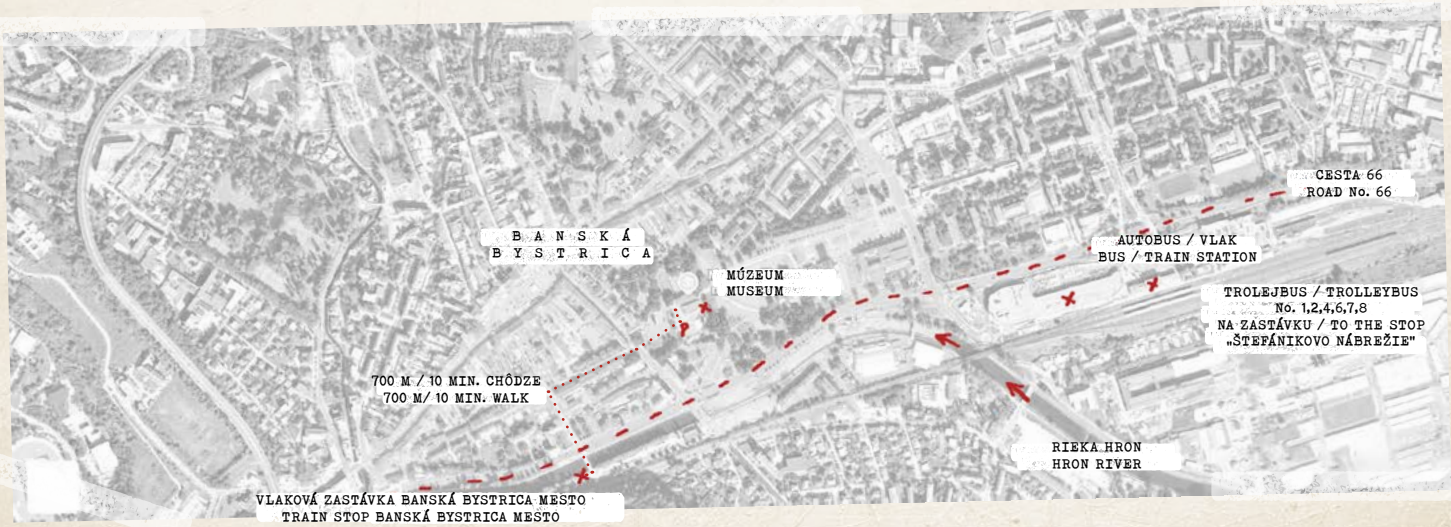
Jiří Plachý (Institute of Military History, Prague)
The forgotten witness Arnošt Jakubovič

Juraj Krištofík (Nation´s Memory Institute)
"A Unique Chameleon and a True Capitalist Predator." Tauš Company Director František Šamalík within the Force Fields of Regional Politics in Myjava, 1939–1948

Jozef Pavlov (Detva)
The Vagač Brothers in the Resistance

DISCUSSION

14:35 End of Conference



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