



Title Surviving the Holocaust: Portugal and the Refugees' Destinies in Europe Project

Partner Countries: France, Portugal, Austria and Poland.

Project info:

Surviving the Holocaust: The Refugees' Destinies in Europe project brings together a rich tapestry of European memory by highlighting Portugal's pivotal role as a transit country for thousands of refugees fleeing Nazi persecution, many of whom stayed in cities like Lisbon and Oporto or in designated "fixed residences." While Portugal is the heart of the initiative, the project resonates across Austria, where Holocaust education is well-established but refugee narratives remain underrepresented; France, where strong institutional support exists but stories of Jewish transit and displacement are often overshadowed by national memory politics; and Poland, where Holocaust education is widespread but fragmented, with heroic narratives dominating and refugee experiences largely absent. By connecting these countries through workshops, exhibitions, and educational resources, the project fosters a transnational dialogue that restores overlooked histories and deepens collective understanding of Europe's humanitarian legacy during World War II.

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Memory Makers is an educational initiative funded under the EU CERV programme, dedicated to engaging young people in historical education and remembrance.

Our project aims to empower youth to explore, understand, and share historical narratives in innovative and meaningful ways. Through a programme of ten events over 20 months, we will bring together at least 800 participants to uncover and highlight lesser-known histories, including Holocaust-related narratives affecting LGBTQ+ individuals, persons with disabilities, and Roma communities—stories that are often overlooked in mainstream discourse.

By shedding light on these neglected perspectives, Memory Makers seeks to foster a deeper and more inclusive understanding of the past and its lasting impact on our present.

Memory Makers champions diversity in historical recognition, ensuring that all voices—no matter how marginalized—are acknowledged, valued, and remembered.

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We support associations working with women, LGBTIQ+ communities, refugees and migrants, Roma and Traveller groups, and mental health initiatives in hospitals.



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