

PROJECT:

Reviving the memory and raise awareness of Jewish history and culture in Poland

The project aims to document the history and culture of the Jews inhabiting the Polish lands for a thousand years and to raise awareness among audiences in Poland and from around the world to memorialise the heritage which is largely lost.

The project is implemented by the Museum of the History of Polish Jews in cooperation with Norwegian partners.

Among the ideas for outreach activities that the museum will develop together with the partners are the following:

Museum on Wheels

Educate and raise awareness throughout Poland on the subject of Jewish cultural heritage. A specially adapted coach will reach selected local communities with its multimedia exhibition that tells the story of the age-long coexistence between Polish and Jewish culture. A group of educators, students and historians will form the *Museum on Wheels* team, which will conduct workshops and museum lessons in local partner centres.

The Faces of Diversity

Presentation of the culture and history of the Polish Jews in the wider context and process of relations built on the "us – them" differentiation; the functioning side by side of different ethnic, religious, social groups; the transfer of knowledge on the diverse behavioural mechanisms in minority–majority relations; making the audiences more sensitive to the multiple expressions of prejudice, stereotyping, etc. and thus contributing to the process of building intercultural dialogue.

Target audiences: Secondary school students, university students and graduates, adults, users from Poland and outside of Poland.

Let's Meet at the Museum

Programmes for school students and teachers: The use of the Museum Ambassadors and the PASS (Polin Academy Summer Seminar) programmes for the purpose of developing a network of "multipliers" – professionals who are a natural educational resource for the Museum in Poland and abroad, and who through activity in their local and international communities would contribute to dissemination of knowledge and development of interest in the heritage of Polish Jews. The project will comprise a number of modules: activities addressed to primary, middle and secondary school students, including underprivileged children and teenagers, as well as teachers and educators in Poland and abroad. The offer will be promoted through printed leaflets and internet content.

History and Civic Education via Virtual Platforms

Development of education of history and of civic responsibilities relating to Jewish heritage through: the use of the new media; production of innovative teaching

aids; dissemination of the open education model; and reducing barriers in access to knowledge.

Target audiences: Children, young people at school age, university students and graduates, teachers; a broad audience of users of Internet and mobile device users in Poland and abroad.

Neighbours – Witnesses - Oral History Project

Forming the younger generation's sensitivity to cultural diversity and respect for witnesses of history by engaging young people in research of history and professional workshop training courses. Educate through scientific research activities and develop unique documentation of the heritage of the Polish Jews as well as develop educational tools on that basis.

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Project Promoter: Museum of the History of Polish Jews

Donor Project Partner: One or more of the following institutions: Falstad Centre, Holocaust Centre or Wergeland Centre in Norway.

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