

Reconstructing Religious Buildings in 20th and 21st century Europe. Monuments, Heritage, Identity.

Day I – 25 September 2023

13:00-13:05 Welcome – **Anke Naujokat**

13:05-13:15 Greetings - **Sabine Verheyen MEP**, Chair of the Committee Culture & Education.

13:15-13:30 Introduction - **Marcus van der Meulen**

13:30-14:15 Keynote

Why Ukraine's Medieval Churches are under Threat of Reconstruction

Nazar Kozak (Senior researcher, Ethnology Institute, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine/Associate Professor, University of Lviv)

14:15-14:30 Discussion

14:30-15:00 Coffee break

Session A – reconstruction after war destruction 1

15:00-15:20

The Reconstruction of Medieval Heritage in Flanders Following the Destruction of the First World War: The Challenges of Church Reconstruction during the Interwar Period.

Marcus van der Meulen (RWTH Aachen)

15:20-15:40

Museum of Atheism and A Prison's Firewood Storage. Reconstructing Medieval Churches in Soviet Estonia

Anneli Randla (Head of the Department of Conservation and Cultural Heritage at the Estonian Academy of Arts)

15:40-16:00

The Postwar Reconstruction of Churches in Normandy, France

Mathieu Lours (CY Cergy Paris University)

16:00-16:15 Q&A - Coffee break

Session B – reconstruction after war destruction 2

16:15-16:35

The Wismar Miracle: Reconstruction of St George's Church 1990-2010

Anja Rasche & Nils Jörn (GWZO Leipzig/ Network Hansekultur)

16:35-16:55

The Second Life of Major Sacred Buildings in Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Miroslav Malinovic & Jasna Guzijan (Head of Department for History and Theory of Architecture and Building Heritage Protection, University of Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina) [ONLINE]

16:55-17:15

The Reconstruction of the Garrison Church in Potsdam

Thomas Albrecht (Architect, Hilmer & Sattler und Albrecht Architekten, Berlin)

17:15-17:30

End of day discussion

17:30-18:30

Reception

Day II – 26 September 2023

Session C - representing the nation

9:00-9:20

Constructing Identity: Aesthetics and Ideology of the Interwar Church in Galicia

Sofia Korol & Oksana Herii (Head of the Art History Department, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine) [ONLINE]

9:20-9:40

Restoration of the Bethlehem Chapel in Prague and the (re)construction of progressive national traditions in socialist Czechoslovakia

Jan Randák (Charles University Prague)

9:40-10:00

Resurrection Church in Kaunas

Giedrė Jankevičiūtė (research fellow at the Art History and Visual Culture Department, Lithuanian Institute for Culture Research /professor of art history, Vilnius Art Academy)

10:30-11:00

Coffee Break

Session D – purpose and community

11:00-11:20

Unification of style, or not? Enlargement just before and reconstruction after WWI of the parish church of Onze-Lieve-Vrouw-Waver (province of Antwerp) by provincial architect Eduard Carels

Mario Baeck (Tiles & Architectural Ceramics Society (TACS) Belgium)

11:20-11:40

Transformation of Listed Hungarian Roman Catholic Churches from Vatican II until Nowadays

Erzsébet Urbán (Architect, monument preservation specialist; Head of Secretariat at Deputy State Secretariat for Monument Protection, Ministry of Construction and Transport) [ONLINE]

11:40-12:00

The Reconstruction of the Medieval Synagogue in Worms after the Shoa. Motifs, Interests and how it developed into a Jewish space after 1990s

Susanne Urban (Head of Research and Information Department on Antisemitism, University Marburg; Co-chair FRH Conference 2023; Chairwoman Moreshet-Jewish Heritage Network)

12:00-12:15 Q&A - Discussion

12:15-13:30 Lunch break

Session E – contemporary methodology

13:30-13:50

Reconstructing Religious Buildings in the Post-Communist Era: The Saint Friday Church in Bucharest

Mara Popescu (Architect, Lecturer at the Department of Architecture, Targu Mures University / Advisor of Built Cultural Heritage, Cabinet of Minister of Culture of Romania)

13:50-14:10

The Craft Scientific Reconstruction of the burned down 14th Century Wooden Church in Sröda Råda, Sweden

Karl-Magnus Melin (University of Gothenburg)

14:10-14:30

The Reconstruction of the Gothic Spire of Saint-Denis, France

Jacques Moulin (Chief Architect of Historic Moments of France)

14:30-14:50 Final discussion

15:30-16:30 Excursion Aachen Cathedral – St Foillan
