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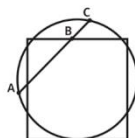


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Dates

The Forum will be held on 26-28 September 2023 in stationary mode.

(Online access available on 26 September).

Forum Venues in Krakow

National Archives, International Cultural Centre, School of Aspirants of the State Fire Service, National Museum, Jagiellonian Library, St. Mary's Basilica.

Organisational Committee

1. Ryszard Wojtkowski, Deputy General Director of the State Archives
2. Super Brig. Adam Konieczny PhD. Eng., Deputy Chief Commander of the State Fire Service
3. Michał Jurkowski, Director of the Office of the Director General of the Ministry of Culture and National Heritage
4. Sr. Brig. Mariusz Lenartowicz M.Eng. Director of the Civil Protection Bureau of the National Headquarters of the State Fire Service
5. Prof. Dr. hab. Wojciech Krawczuk, Director of the National Archives in Krakow
6. Agata Wąsowska – Pawlik, Director of the International Cultural Centre in Krakow
7. Brig. Marek Chwała M.Eng, Commander of the School of Aspirants of the State Fire Service in Krakow
8. Fr. Dr. Dariusz Raś, Pastor of the Parish of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Krakow
9. Prof. Dr. hab. Andrzej Szczerski, Director of the National Museum in Krakow
10. Dr. hab. Remigiusz Sapa, Prof. UJ, Director of the Jagiellonian Library
11. Sr. Brig. Paweł Knapik M.Eng, Municipal Commander of the State Fire Service in Krakow
12. Krzysztof Sałaciński, Counsellor at the Ministry of Culture and National Heritage, President of the Polish Committee of the Blue Shield

Participants

1. Representatives of cultural institutions, museums, libraries, State Archives and other institutions where the national archival resources are created.
2. Representatives of Provincial Monument Protection Offices responsible for the protection of monuments in the event of armed conflict and crisis situations.
3. Representatives of local government institutions performing operations in the field of cultural heritage protection.
4. Representatives of the State Fire Service from hazard recognition, operational and training units.
5. Representatives of the scientific community and the Research Institute of the State Fire Service.
6. Representatives of church and uniformed services.

7. Representatives of Krakow's cultural institutions.

How the Forum is conducted

1. Speakers who agree to come to Krakow will present their speeches as part of the Forum programme. The remaining speeches on the first day of the Forum will be held remotely. The organisers do not provide for remote transmission from the workshop and conference part on the second day of the Forum and the workshop part on the third day of the Forum.
2. Forum participants will listen to speeches in the conference rooms of the National Archives, the International Cultural Centre or the School of Aspirants of the State Fire Service. They will participate in the workshop part in the National Museum, the Jagiellonian Library, the National Archives and the conference part at the School of Aspirants of the PSP (State Fire Service). They will learn about the history of the uprising, war fate and the latest conservation works of the Veit Stoss Altar in St. Mary's Basilica.
3. The international session on the first day of the Forum will be held in stationary mode and remote with simultaneous interpretation into English and Ukrainian, also with video transmission on social media.

FORUM PROGRAMME, 26 September 2023

8.30 - 9.30 am: Registration of participants at the National Archives in Krakow, Rakowicka 22
E

FORUM OPENING CEREMONY 9.30 am

Start:

Speech of the host of the first day of the Forum, Dr. Paweł Pietrzyk, General Director of the State Archives

Welcome:

Brig. Marek Chwała M.Eng, Commander of the School of Aspirants of the State Fire Service in Krakow

Krzysztof Sałaciński, Counsellor at the Ministry of Culture and National Heritage, President of the Polish Committee of the Blue Shield

Speeches:

Minister of Culture and National Heritage

Chief Commander of the State Fire Service

INTERNATIONAL FORUM SESSION, 9.45 am - 2.00 pm

Protection of museum, library and archival collections in wartime conditions: historical experiences and contemporary challenges. How to protect and save the collections in the light of our experiences of the war in Ukraine.

Conference room of the National Archives in Krakow, Rakowicka 22 E

Moderators:

Dr Paulina Florjanowicz, Director of the National Institute of Museums and Collections Protection

Łukasz Galusek, Deputy Director of the International Cultural Centre

Introductory Speech:

Jarosław Czuba, Director General of the Ministry of Culture and National Heritage, Chairman of the Task Force to monitor and analyse threats to cultural heritage, established by the Regulation of the Minister of Culture and National Heritage of 23 February 2022.

Directional Speeches:

Anatolii Khromov, Head of the State Archive Service of Ukraine: Archivists at War.

Dr. Tomasz Makowski, Director of the National Library in Warsaw: Securing Libraries in wartime conditions. What we learned in Poland after the destruction of the Second World War. Representative of the Ukrainian Museum (confirmations).

Ryszard Wojtkowski, Deputy General Director of State Archives: Archives for Archives. Assistance provided by the state archives to Ukrainian institutions protecting documentary heritage.

11.00 - 11.30 am: Coffee Break

Yurii S. Kovtaniuk, Deputy Director General for Scientific Affairs Vladimir Vernadsky National Library of Ukraine in Kyiv: V. Vernadsky National Library of Ukraine in the face of contemporary challenges and threats: development priorities.

Dr. Paulina Florjanowicz, Director of the National Institute of Museum and Collection Protection: Museums to Museums. The reaction of Polish museums and the National Institute of Museums and Collections Protection after the Russian attack on Ukraine: priorities and actions.

Yaroslav Faizulin, Director of the Central State Historical Archive of Ukraine: Ensuring the security of archival documents in wartime conditions: the experience of the Central State Historical Archive of Ukraine, Kyiv.

Dr Mychajło Zubar, Scholarship holder of the Ministry of Culture and National Heritage as part of the "Gaude Polonia" programme, POLIN Museum: Practical aspects of the protection of museum resources in wartime conditions.

Irina Zhuravleva, Director of the Central Scientific Library of Kharkiv-Kharkiv: Preservation of cultural heritage during the war.

2.00 - 3.00 pm.

Lunch for Forum participants

3.00 - 4.00 pm.

Individual movement of Forum participants to the International Cultural Centre, Rynek Główny 25

4.00 - 4.45 pm

Familiarisation with the history of the Uprising, war fate and the latest conservation works of the Veit Stoss Altar at St. Mary's Basilica. Presentation of the conditions for the protection of particularly valuable cultural heritage in the event of war and the threat of crisis: Katarzyna Pakuła-Major, Dr. Marta Woźniak, Archive of St. Mary's Basilica.

Discussion between forum participants and invited guests

4.45 - 5.00 pm

Individual movement of Forum participants to St. Mary's Basilica

5.00 - 6.00 pm

Grand opening of the Veit Stoss Altar for Forum participants, information about conservation projects for the Altar performed in recent years: Katarzyna Pakuła-Major, dr Marta Woźniak, Archive of St. Mary's Basilica.

DAY TWO OF THE FORUM, 27 September 2023

WORKSHOP PART OF THE FORUM, 9.30 am – 2.00 pm

Participants select one of four proposed topics

1. Security of archival collections: National Archives in Krakow, Rakowicka 22 E.

Welcoming participants, introductory speech: Prof. Dr. hab. Wojciech Krawczuk, Director of the National Archives in Krakow.

Moderators: Prof. Dr. hab. Wojciech Krawczuk – Director of the National Archives in Krakow, Magdalena Sadza – Director of the Department of Archive Organisation, Supreme Directorate of State Archives

Speeches:

Edyta Skrzymowska, Supreme Directorate of State Archives: Threats in peace and war, activities of state archives to ensure the security of resources.

Anna Seweryn, Mariusz Kluczewski, National Archives in Krakow: Preparation of the National Archives in Krakow in the event of a crisis or armed conflict, evacuation of archival materials.

Anna Czajka, Main Archive of Historical Records: Flooded archive, planning a rescue operation and saving the collection in practice.

Katarzyna Kwaśniewicz, State Archives in Katowice: System Integrated Pest Management (IPM). Organisation of monitoring insect activity.

Aleksandra Ciesielczyk, AMC Art: Rescuing files after a fire – practical experiences.

Discussion

Familiarising participants with the security systems of the National Archives in Krakow, conservation workshops and the principles of protecting particularly valuable archival resources.

2. Security of museum collections – National Museum in Krakow, al. 3 maja 1.

Welcoming participants, introductory speech: Prof. Dr. hab. Andrzej Szczerski, Director of the National Museum in Krakow.

Moderators: Mirosław Olbryś, National Museum in Warsaw, Robert Litwiniuk, National Museum in Krakow.

Speeches:

Joanna Sobczyk, Head of the Museum Protection Department of the National Museum in Krakow: Know more, do less, protect better.

Agnieszka Górecka-Matura, Head of the Collection Control Section of the National Museum in Krakow: Recording museum collections at the National Museum in Krakow, and their safety.

Elżbieta Zygier, Chief Conservator of the National Museum in Krakow: Conservation activities in the field of security of museum collections.

Robert Litwiniuk, National Museum in Krakow: Security system for people and collections of the National Museum in Krakow (presentation combined with a demonstration of the functioning of the system).

Edward Krawczyk, National Museum in Poznań: Rules for the preparation of documentation for the evacuation of collections: good practices, conclusions, proposals.

Mirosław Olbryś, National Museum in Warsaw: The role and place of the Museum Director in the security system of institutions in emergency situations: before, during and after. Code of conduct.

Discussion

3. Security of Library Collections: Jagiellonian Library, al. Mickiewicza 22.

Welcoming participants, introductory speech: Dr. hab. Remigiusz Sapa, Prof. UJ, Director of the Jagiellonian Library.

Moderators: Dr hab. Remigiusz Sapa, Prof. UJ, Marcin Wojtaś, National Library in Warsaw, Dariusz Bylica, Jagiellonian Library

Speeches:

Dr. hab. Hanna Batorowska, Prof. ASzWoj. War Studies Academy, Faculty of National Security, Institute for Strategic Studies: Information related cooperation in counteracting the destructiveness of information warfare.

Dr. Tomasz Zawadzki DEng, War Studies Academy, Faculty of National Security, Institute for Strategic Studies: GPT Chat and Cultural Security.

Jarosław Feliński, IODO Consulting: The library is a digital hub of information, data and privacy - legal aspects and forecasts of maintaining the integrity of data content.

Marcin Wojtaś, National Library: Preparation for the implementing emergency measures in the Library.

Representative of the UJ Fire Safety Inspectorate: Presentation of applied technical solutions, practical organisation of evacuation.

NEDAP representative: Solutions and technologies for technical security and access control systems. Implementing encryption mechanisms for transmitted data on the eve of NIS2. Centralisation of management of distributed (multi-facility) technical security systems, access control and CCTV.

WinGuard representative: Security System Integration.

Familiarisation with the security systems of the Jagiellonian Library: IT infrastructure, OT, place of control of technical and fire protection systems, automatic extinguishing systems in special collections warehouses, DSO system.

Opportunity to take advantage of consultations by experts from the Fire Safety Inspectorate and the Section for the Protection of Classified Information and Defence Affairs of the Jagiellonian University. Opportunity to see the technical and software solutions presented (stands).

CONFERENCE PART OF THE FORUM 9.30 am. – 2.30 pm.

Science conference: Fire safety of historic buildings and museum, library and archival collections: State Fire Service Aspirant School in Krakow, Zgoda 18 Housing Estate.

Welcoming participants: Brig. Marek Chwała M.Eng, Commander of the School of Aspirants of the State Fire Service in Krakow

Introduction: Sr. Brig. Mariusz Lenartowicz M.Eng. Director of the Civil Protection Bureau of the National Headquarters of the State Fire Service

Moderators: Retired Sr. Brig. Robert Wolański, Ph. D Eng., Retired Sr. Brig. Marek Wnęk, PhD. Eng.

Speeches:

Jr. Brig. Artur Luzar, PhD. Eng. School of Aspirants of the State Fire Service in Krakow: A rescue chain for movable cultural goods during fires, natural disasters and other local threats.

Bożena Kukfisz, Main School of Fire Service: Specificity of the development of fires in heritage objects.

Brig. Damian Saleta, PhD. Eng., Main School of the Fire Service: Characteristics of rescue operations in the so-called combating "hidden fires".

Prof. Dr. hab. Andrzej Koss, representative of the conservation emergency service: Conservation emergency in cooperation with KSRG.

Brig. Damian Woszczyzna MEng, Municipal Headquarters of the State Fire Service in Krakow: Specificity of rescue operations of historic buildings endangered by CBRN.

Jr. Brig. Łukasz Szewczyk PhD. Eng, Municipal Headquarters of the State Fire Service in Krakow: The specificity of the implementation of rescue operations in historic Old Town complexes on the example of the center of Krakow.

Capt. Paweł Serwatka, MEng, School of Aspirants PSP in Krakow: Methodology for organising exercises on cultural heritage objects.

Sr. Brig. Robert Piec PhD Eng., Main School of the Fire Service: Technical and organisational conditions for evacuating disabled people in cultural heritage facilities.

Retired Sr. Brig. Dr. hab. Bogdan Kosowski PhD Eng., Appraiser: Challenges in the implementation of the expert's studies for fire protection in historic buildings.

Grzegorz Lachowicz MEng, Architect, Construction Appraiser: Protection of historic buildings in the process of designing, rebuilding and expanding buildings.

Józef Seweryn M.Eng, SUPOCERBER: Development trends in the construction of security systems based on the example of water mist.

Doc. Roman Veselivskyy, Lviv State University for the Safety of Life: Protection of cultural property in situations of immediate threats in the area of armed conflict.

Retired Sr. Brig. Robert Wolański PhD. Eng., Jan Gielżecki PhD. Eng., Fr. Łukasz Brachaczek:
Experiences of thermal imaging diagnosis of the Franciscan complex.

Dr. Hab. Eng. Danuta Miedzińska, Prof. WAT, Possibilities of using auxetics in the protection of elements of objects and collections of cultural heritage in situations of direct threats (military and non-military).

Lunch for participants in workshops and conference part.

Visiting the institution where workshops are organised, familiarisation with the rules for the safety of people and collections as well as the organisation of the training process.

2.00 - 3.00 pm

Transfer of Forum participants from the National Museum, Jagiellonian Library, National Archives to the School of Aspirants of the State Fire Service in Krakow

3.15 - 5.00 pm

Presentation of the results of the work of workshop teams in the areas of museum, library and archive security as well as that of the scientific fire conference of historic buildings and collections; recommendations.

Discussion, indication of the main directions for improvements to cultural heritage safety.

5.00 - 6.45 pm

For participants of workshop teams from the areas of the museum, library and archives and participants of the fire scientific conference: familiarisation with the teaching base of the School of Aspirants of the State Fire Service and specialised equipment for the protection of historic buildings and collections against fire hazards.

6.45 - 8.00 pm

Dinner for Forum participants, transport of participants to the centre of Krakow

DAY THREE OF THE FORUM, 28 September 2023

Conference room of the International Cultural Centre, Rynek Główny 25

9.00 - 11.00 am: WORKSHOP PART OF THE FORUM

Rules for preparing and conducting fire exercises in historic buildings, museum, libraries and archival institutions. Cooperation between fire services and other rescue and order services in implementing evacuation tasks. Rules for evacuating collections to safe places, presentations and practical exercises.

Workshop Organisers:

Headquarters of the State Fire Service in Krakow, School of Aspirants of the State Fire Service in Krakow, emergency services operating in the city of Krakow. Krakow, management and employees of the International Cultural Centre, invited speakers.

The essence of preparing and conducting fire exercises in objects entered in the register of monuments, public utility buildings, objects with valuable collections on the example of the International Cultural Centre.

Areas of analysis:

- Legal bases;
- Internal documents concerning the preparation and conduct of evacuation exercises;
- Training process;
- Evacuation action management;
- Rules for evacuation of people and harvests;
- Cooperation of the director of the institution with the State Fire Service and other services;
- Conclusions and proposals for improving the evacuation process.

Scenario for fire drill

While conducting the workshop part of the forum in the conference room on the ground floor of the building, the fire alarm system is activated. Staff confirm a fire in the exhibition room on the 1st floor. The evacuation of people gathered in the facility begins, and several employees make an attempt to extinguish the fire but unfortunately are unsuccessful. The fire cuts off their only possible way out, so they go out onto the balcony where they wait for help. Alarmed forces and resources of the State Fire Service arrive at the place. Actions taken:

- Reconnaissance, contact and cooperation with the Facility Manager
- Indoor firefighting activities
- Evacuating people from the balcony using a mechanical ladder

- Evacuating collections from the facility to a specialist container of the School of Aspirants of the State Fire Service in Krakow

11.00 - 11.30 am: Coffee Break

11.30 am - 1.30 pm: FORUM SUMMARY

Speeches by the organisers and invited guests, the position of Forum participants in the safety of cultural heritage.

1.30-2.30 pm: Refreshments

Accompanying events

1. Exhibition at the National Archives in Krakow.
2. Presentation of companies operating in the field of cultural heritage security.
3. Expert consultations for Forum participants in the areas of human safety and museum, library, archival collections, fire protection of historic buildings and collections as part of the workshops.

The event is under the media patronage:

Magazine: "Civil Protection and Cultural Heritage".

Portal: "Magic Krakow"

