

3-3:15 P.M. **BREAK**

3:15-5 P.M. **SESSION III: FORCED AND SLAVE LABOR ACROSS EUROPE**

Chair—Martin Dean, Applied Research Scholar, Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, USHMM

Slave Labor, Durchgangstrasse IV, and German-Romanian Relations—Andrej Angrick, Historian, Hamburger Stiftung zur Förderung von Wissenschaft und Kultur, Hamburg, Germany

Foreign Labor in Vichy France: The Groupements de Travailleurs Etrangers—Sarah B. Farmer, Associate Professor of History, University of California, Irvine

Racism versus Pragmatism: Soviet Prisoners of War as Forced Labor in Germany, 1941-1942—Rolf Keller, Referent, Niedersächsische Landeszentrale für politische Bildung, Hannover, and doctoral candidate, University of Hannover, Germany

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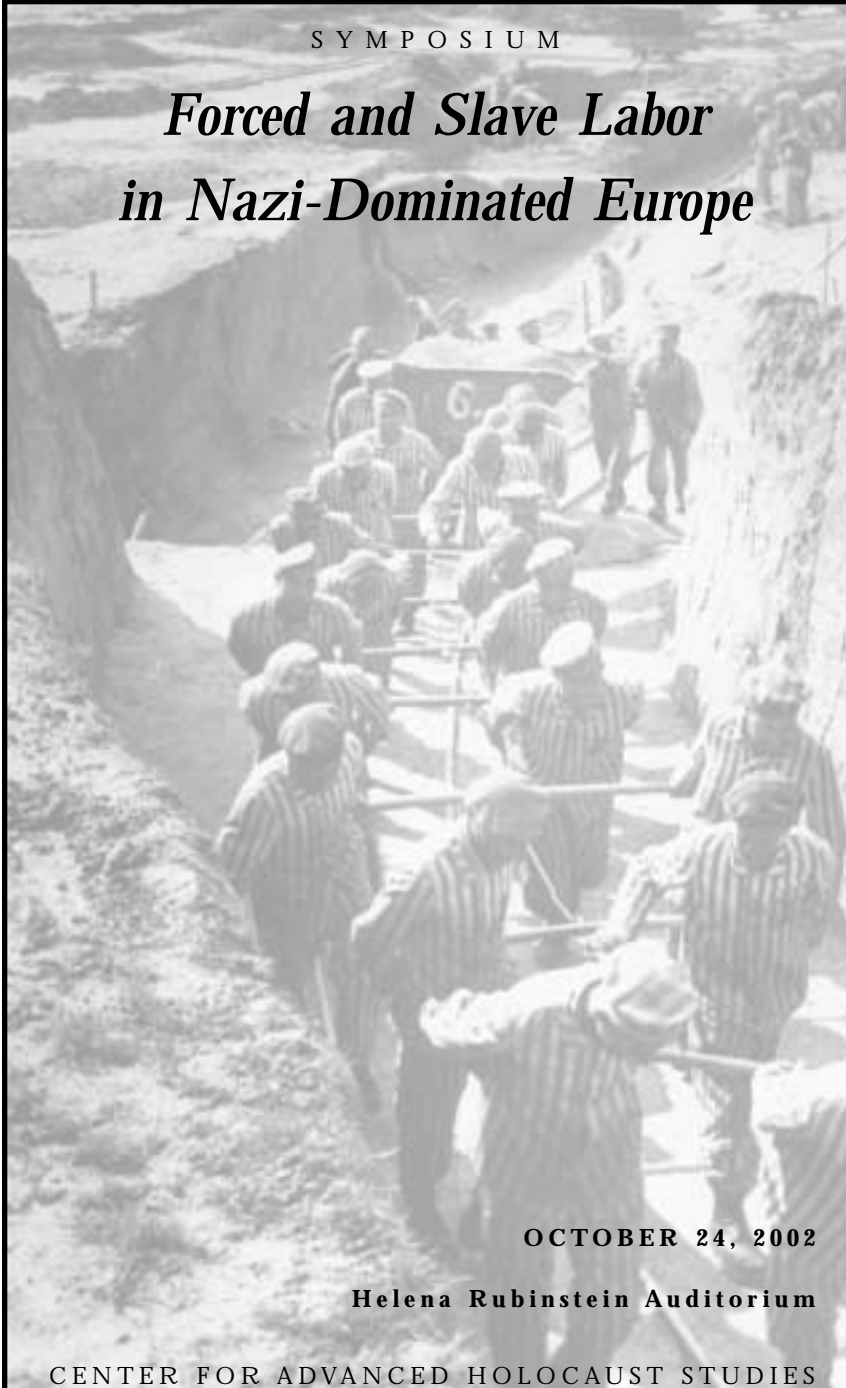
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Cover: Forced labor brigade in Mauthausen concentration camp,
Austria, April-May 1942. *National Archives*

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Civilians, concentration camp prisoners, deportees, foreign nationals, Jews, and prisoners of war were all forced into the sprawling forced and slave labor system that encompassed most of Europe and supported the war efforts of the Nazi regime and Axis countries. Forced and slave labor was used in road-building and defense works; the chemical, construction, metal, mining and munitions industries; and elsewhere. Such labor was integral to concentration camps and their subcamps, farms, ghettos, labor battalions, religious institutions, prisoner-of-war camps, and private industries in Germany, other Axis countries, and the German-occupied territories east and west. The objective of this symposium is to examine key elements of the forced and slave labor system as a European phenomenon during World War II.



Women prisoners at work, Plaszów concentration camp, Poland, 1943–44. Leopold Page Photographic Collection, USHMM

10–10:15 A.M. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Paul A. Shapiro, Director, Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum (USHMM)

10:15 A.M.–NOON SESSION I: FORCED AND SLAVE LABOR IN GERMANY

Chair—Peter Black, Senior Historian, Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, USHMM

Forced and Slave Labor in Nazi Germany: The State of the Field—Peter Hayes, Theodore Zev Weiss Chair of Holocaust Studies and Professor of History, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, and Member, Academic Committee of the United States Holocaust Memorial Council

The Business of Genocide: The Holocaust and Forced Labor in the Concentration Camps—Michael Thad Allen, Associate Professor in the School of History, Technology, and Society at the Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta

Cultural Policy and Political Oppression: Nazi Architecture and the Development of SS Forced-Labor Concentration Camps—Paul Jaskot, Associate Professor of Art History, DePaul University, Chicago

NOON–1 P.M. LUNCH BREAK

1–3 P.M. SESSION II: JEWISH FORCED AND SLAVE LABOR

Chair—Wendy Lower, Director, Visiting Scholars Division, Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, USHMM

Forced Labor of German Jews as a Basic Element of Persecution after 1938—Wolf Gruner, Researcher, Zentrum für Antisemitismusforschung, Technische Universität Berlin, Germany, and 2002–2003 Pearl Resnick Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, USHMM

The Wartime Labor Service System of Hungary—Randolph L. Braham, Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Political Science, and Director, Rosenthal Institute for Holocaust Studies, Graduate Center of the City University of New York, and Member, Academic Committee of the United States Holocaust Memorial Council

The Factory Forced Labor Camps in Starachowice, Poland: Memories of the Jewish Survivors—Christopher R. Browning, Frank Porter Graham Professor of History, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and 2002–2003 Ina Levine Scholar, Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, USHMM.

Retelling the Jewish Slave Labor Experience in Romania—William Rosenzweig, Chairman of the Fashion Ribbon Group of Companies, New York City, and Holocaust survivor from Chernowitz (Cernauti), Romania (present-day Chernivtsi, Ukraine).