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Totalitarian regimes' heritage in hate crimes

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Preliminary Seminar Programme

Language: Lithuanian, English

Thursday, October 17

19.00-21.00 **Welcome dinner**
Venue: *La Boheme*, Šv. Ignoto 4/3, Vilnius. www.laboHEME.lt

Friday, October 18

08.30-9.00 **Registration of participants**
Venue: *Artis Centrum Hotel*, Liejyklos street 11/23, Vilnius.
<http://www.artis.centrumhotels.com/en/>

9.00-09.30 **Opening of the seminar and welcoming speech**
Juozas Bernatoniš, *Minister of Justice of the Republic of Lithuania (TBC)*
Sandra Kalnietė, *Member of the European Parliament (TBC)*
Darius Žilys, *Director of the International Law Department*

Moderator *Prof. Justinas Žilinskas*

10.00-10.30 1st topic. **Totalitarian regimes and European policy** (*European Commission (TBC)*)

Questions and answers

10.30-11.00 2nd topic. **Holocaust denial: effects of the prohibition of Holocaust denial on perpetrators** (*Dr. Jogchum Vrienlink*)

Questions and answers

11.00-11.20 Coffee break

11.20-11.50 3rd topic. **Totalitarian regimes and hate crimes in Europe (comparison from the legal and human rights perspective)** (*Lawyer Rolandas Tilindis*)

Questions and answers

11.50-12.20 4th topic. **Crimes committed under totalitarian rule from the perspective of victims' rights** (*Mr. Albin Dearing, FRA*)

Questions and answers

12.20-12.50 5th topic. **Legacies of totalitarianism (legal perspective)** (*Dr. Aviezer Tucker*)

Questions and answers

12.50-14.00 Lunch



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	Moderator	(TBC)
14.00-14.30	6 th topic. Totalitarianism and the emergence of democracy (Dr. Harald Wydra)	
	Questions and answers	
14.30-15.00	7 th topic. Tearing down the ivory towers – overcoming resistance to recognizing the crimes of Communism in the West (Mr. Anders Hjemdahl)	
	Questions and answers	
15.00-15.30	8 th topic. The hate crimes by totalitarian regimes in the United States (Mr. Lee Edwards)	
	Questions and answers	
15.30-16.00	9 th topic. Totalitarian regimes and hate crimes in Czech Republic (Prof. Jan Kudrna)	
	Questions and answers	
16.30-17.00	10 th topic. Dissemination of historical memory of totalitarian regimes and their crimes in Europe and at the national level (Ms. Radvilė Morkūnaitė-Mikulėnienė, MEP)	
	Questions and answers	
17.00-17.20	Closing remarks. End of the seminar	
17.30-18.30	Cultural event: Visit of the Museum of Genocide Victims Venue: Aukų street 2A, Vilnius	

