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Wednesday, 16 July 2014
13:00  Johannes Paulmann: Welcome
Andrea Rehling & Julia Röttjer: Introduction

1_ Excursion UNESCO World Heritage of Krakow and its role in Polish history and culture politics
Wawel, The Royal Route, Main Market Square, Cloth Hall, Town Hall Tower, University Quarter, St. Florian’s Gate

Dinner (19:30)

Thursday, 17 July 2014
2_ Excursion Memorial and Museum Auschwitz-Birkenau

7:45  Departure

9:00  Anthropology of Memory - Problems of Representation in the Museum Narrative - Meeting with the Director of Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum and Representative of the new main Exhibition

10:00  Significance of Auschwitz in Historical Education - Meeting with the Director of the International Center of Education about Auschwitz and the Holocaust and the Head of the Research Center

11:00  Preserving for the Future - Meeting with Representative of the Preservation Department and Representative of the Exhibitions

12:00  Art in KL Auschwitz - Visit to the Collection Department, meeting with Representative of the Collection Department

Lunch (13:00-15:00)

15:00  Guided Visit of the Camp Auschwitz-Birkenau

Dinner in Krakow (20:00)

Friday, 18 July 2014
3_ Workshop Auschwitz as World Heritage – UNESCO, Poland, and History Politics

9:00  Johannes Paulmann: Welcome
Andrea Rehling: Introduction

Panel 1: The changing role of Auschwitz Heritage in historical perspective

9:30  Julia Röttjer: Auschwitz-Birkenau as “dissonant” World Heritage since the 1970s
10:15  Jonathan Huener: The Politics and Culture of Commemoration at Auschwitz

Coffee break (11:00-11:15)

11:15  Heidemarie Uhl: From the Margins to the Center of European and Global Memory: The Transformation of Holocaust Remembrance as historical context of Auschwitz-Birkenau Memorial

12:00  Marek Kucia: The Meanings of Auschwitz in Poland, 1945 to the Present

Lunch (12:45-14:15)

Panel 2: Polish history politics and conservation of cultural heritage in an international context

14:15  Danuta Kłosek-Kozłowska: The Spirit of Place and the Place of Spirits. Auschwitz-Birkenau former Nazi Death Camps

15:00  Piotr Trojański: The problems of commemoration of Jewish victims at Auschwitz Memorial and Museum during the Communist time (1947-1989)

Coffee break (15:45-16:00)

16:00  Marek Rawecki: Auschwitz-Birkenau Museum protection zones. Managing the legacy of the former death camp

Discussion (17:00)

Dinner (19:00)

Saturday, 19 July 2014
4_ Advisory Board Meeting Knowledge of the World – Heritage of Mankind: The History of UNESCO World Cultural and Natural Heritage

8:30  Andrea Rehling: Introduction

8:45  Julia Röttjer: Auschwitz Concentration Camp

9:30  Elke Ackermann: The Galápagos Islands National Park

Coffee break (10:15-10:30)

10:30  Benedetta Serapioni: The Old City of Jerusalem and its City Walls

11:15  Elsa Duval: Aachen Cathedral

12:00  Final Discussion, Planning, Objectives

5_ Excursion UNESCO World Heritage of Krakow and its role in Polish history and culture politics
Kazimierz, Podgórze

15:00  Departure

Dinner (20:00)

Sunday, 20 July 2014

Breakfast and Farewell