

EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

PROJECT	
Project name and acronym:	Negotiating Difficult Pasts - NeDiPa COMMUNITY BUILDING - WROCLAW
Participant:	Fundacja Urban Memory - UMF
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EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	WP13
Event name:	COMMUNITY BUILDING - WROCLAW PLACES OF DIFFICULT MEMORY - HOW TO DESIGN, HOW TO TALK? (MIEJSCA TRUDNEJ PAMIĘCI - JAK PROJEKTOWAĆ, JAK ROZMAWIAĆ?)
Type:	Seminar
In situ/online:	in situ
Location:	Poland, Wroclaw
Date(s):	16.11.2022
Website(s) (if any):	<p>1) UMF https://urbanmemoryfoundation.org/dofa/ https://www.facebook.com/UrbanMemoryFoundation/posts/pfbid026eAwDQKKzfaoNCuQtgntyC92oUrzkPVXDAKzvga7xK289zoVSQepneUNf1Q8cLtNI https://www.facebook.com/UrbanMemoryFoundation/posts/pfbid0Pd2gpHR5TqpB49tR2vDAJQ2VspwAN5J4LSVXdXdd4UHdnnZwPG2DCaBC4x9axCWeI</p> <p>2) DOFA & OP ENHEIM http://www.wroclaw.sarp.org.pl/pl/dofa/22/category/dofa-festiwale-dofa-22-wydarzenia-1/wydarzenia-towarzyszace-1 https://openheim.org/pl/aktualnosci/spotkanie-miejsca-trudnej-pamieci-jak-projektowac-jak-rozmawiac/</p>
Participants	
Female:	39
Male:	18
Non-binary:	-
From country 1 [POLAND]:	57
Total number of participants:	57
From total number of countries:	1
Description	

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

The event took place on Wednesday, November 16th, 2022 from 14.00 to 21.00 in Wrocław, Poland and was part of the 10th Lower Silesian Architecture Festival program - DoFA (Dolnośląski Festiwal Architektury) organised by SARP Wrocław - the Association of Polish Architects. The second local partner and the venue for the event was OP ENHEIM, a cultural institution located in the city centre.

Our decision to involve SARP and OP ENHEIM was intentional. Both organisations have an impact on local communities - respectively on city planners/ architects/ designers and people involved in culture and heritage, which allowed us to reach new audiences and potential participants for future events. Both organisations consist of highly experienced professionals who can contribute to the DHRF.

UMF decided to record audio during the event as part of the Difficult Heritage Remembrance Framework resources. The goal of the Foundation was to introduce transparency to the DHRF process. The files were published on the UMF website and promoted on Facebook.

<https://urbanmemoryfoundation.org/dofa/>

Location: the event was organised in OP ENHEIM tenement house on Solny Square 4 in Wrocław.

Schedule

14.00 - 16.00 - **OP ENHEIM open door.** Visiting a historic tenement house as an example of successful conservation work and an overview of projects carried out by the Foundation for Monuments and Commemorations in Wrocław and Lower Silesia.

Guide & presenter - Karolina Jara, OP ENHEIM

16.15 - 17.30 - **Non-invasive archeology and Jewish law, and designing at Jewish memorial sites.** The lecture was devoted to the specificity of Jewish memorial sites (cemeteries, former extermination camps, burial sites), the rules related to conducting research there and implementing commemoration projects under Jewish law. The lecture was followed by a Questions & Answer session.

Lecturer - Aleksander Schwarz (president of the Zapomniane Foundation, expert at the Rabbinical Commission for Cemeteries in Poland)

18.00 - 21.00 - **Places of difficult memory - how to design, how to talk?** A panel discussion about timeless solidarity between the inhabitants of today's Wrocław and pre-war Breslau between invited designers/ architects, art historians, experts in Jewish law, memory activists and residents of Wrocław, on the example of the Jewish cemetery at Gwarna Street. The conversation was accompanied by a case study of the spatial planning for the quarter at Gwarna Street - where the forgotten Jewish cemetery is located - taken by architects and experts.

Panellists: Marcin Major, architect (Major Architekci), Mikołaj Smoleński, architect (ch+ architekci), Agata Chmielowska, art historian (former Municipal Monuments Conservator in Wrocław), Aleksander Schwarz (Zapomniane Foundation, The Rabbinical Commission for Cemeteries in Poland)

Participants

The event attracted a variety of participants who contributed very actively to the Q&A sessions following the lecture and discussion. Their voice was an important feedback to the discussed topics of commemoration and Jewish spaces. The participants shared their professional and private knowledge and opinions which enriched the discussion and allowed us to take another look at the presented topics.

The group consisted of among others: researchers, local activists, students of local universities, members of the local Jewish community, Gwarna street Jewish cemetery stakeholders, residents of Wrocław.

New valuable contacts were established during the event: with a researcher at the Faculty of Geoengineering, Mining and Geology who later shared his research paper from GPR study of graves in the former Jewish cemetery in Łądek Zdrój, Poland; and with two researchers from Archeology Department at the University in Wrocław who expressed interest in being involved on UMF's projects.

Promotion of the project:

Information about the meeting was published on the organisations' website & FB channels:

<https://zapomniane.org/en/we-do/>

<https://zapomniane.org/dzialamy/>

<http://www.festivalt.com/negotiating-difficult-pasts/>
<http://www.festivalt.com/negotiating-difficult-pasts-2/>
<https://urbanmemoryfoundation.org/nedipa/>
<https://urbanmemoryfoundation.org/en/nedipa-2/>

Tasks T13-15.1 and T13-15.1 of this WP related to the recruitment and training of new volunteers were no longer relevant for this WP.

HISTORY OF CHANGES		
VERSION	PUBLICATION DATE	CHANGE
1.0	01.04.2022	Initial version (new MFF).
2.0	28.06.2022	Change of location from Zlotoryja to Wroclaw - accepted by the the EC (communication centre)