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Norman Lewis, “Confrontation”
Professor Stephen Eric Bronner is a noted political theorist and Distinguished Professor of Political Science, Comparative Literature, and German Studies at Rutgers University in New Brunswick. Currently, he is Director of Global Relations at the Center for the Study of Genocide, Conflict Resolution, and Human Rights at Rutgers University, and member of Executive Committee of the UNESCO Chair for Genocide Prevention. Professor Bronner is the Executive Chair of US Academics for Peace and an advisor to Conscience International. His activities in civic diplomacy led him to visit Iran, Iraq, Palestine, Syria, Sudan, and Darfur. Many of his experiences are discussed in works dealing with internal relations like Blood in the Sand (2005) and Peace out of Reach (2007). Professor Bronner was the recipient of the MEPeace Award by the Network for Middle Eastern Politics in 2011.

Along with various teaching awards, the Bronner received the Michael A. Harrington Prize for Moments of Decision (1991) and Honorable Mention for the David Easton Prize, which honored the best work of political theory of the last five years, for Reclaiming the Enlightenment (2004). A prolific writer, Professor Bronner has published over 25 books and 200 journal articles, and his work has been translated in more than a dozen languages. He received the Charles McCoy Lifetime Achievement Prize from the American Political Science Association in 2005.

Dr. Valery Engel is an Expert on Radical Rights in FSU countries. The subject of his special interest is also the comparative and motivational analysis of European xenophobia and radicalism. The methodology developed by him was successfully applied in the preparation of a number of collective studies in this field. It includes the study and analysis of legislation, law enforcement practices, power rhetoric concerning minorities, public xenophobia in relation to various groups of the population, the activities of radical organizations, etc.

Since June 2015, Dr. Engel is the Chairman of the Expert Board of the European International Tolerance Center (EICT) located in Riga. He is one of the authors, the chief editor, and scientific director of the project of EICT “Xenophobia, Radicalism and Hate Crime in Europe.”
Daniel Feierstein holds a Ph.D. from the University of Buenos Aires and appointments as Professor at the University of Buenos Aires (where he runs the State Crimes Observatory) and the National University of Tres de Febrero (where he runs the Center of Genocide Studies). Researcher at CONICET (Argentine National Council of Research). Past President of the IAGS (2013-2015), Judge of the Permanent People’s Tribunal. In addition to his influential Genocide as Social Practice (Rutgers University Press, 2014, first edition in Spanish by FCE, 2007), his latest book publications include Los dos demonios (recargados) (Marea, 2018), Introducción a los estudios sobre genocidio (FCE, 2016), Juicios (FCE, 2015) and Memorias y Representaciones (FCE, 2012).

His distinctive framing of the genocide concept has been applied in numerous legal and other contexts in Argentina, Colombia and Bangladesh. He is currently working also in the new ways in which fascism appears in the Latin American context (particularly in Argentina) and the construction of new practices of hate against different groups like migrants, feminists, homosexuals or political dissidents in the region. His latest book in press is El retorno del enano fascista. La liberación del odio como salida política a la crisis (The return of the “fascist dwarf”. The liberation of hate as a political walkout from the economic crisis).

Christopher Gambert is a senior adviser at the Norwegian Center for Holocaust and Minority Studies. Here he coordinates the development of educational resources for use in teacher education under the auspices of the Center’s Dembra program for the prevention of racism, group-based hostility, and anti-democratic attitudes. Prior to his current position at the Center, Gambert has had over ten year’s experience as a caseworker and lecturer at the Norwegian Equality and Anti-Discrimination Ombud (LDO) and The Norwegian Center for Combating Ethnic Discrimination. Gambert has a cand.polit. (M.A.) degree in Social Anthropology from the University of Oslo and a B.A. in Cultural Anthropology from Vassar College.
MARIA GILEVA

Maria Gileva is an Analyst at the International Educational and Research Center of the Holocaust and Genocides History at the Russian State University for the Humanities (since 2016), and Coordinator of International and Research Programs at the Russian Research and Educational “Holocaust” Center (since 2015). From 2010 to the present, she took part in organizing more than 35 scientific and practical conferences, seminars, round tables, summer schools, etc. She is also author of more than 15 publications on the Holocaust, and compiler of the festschrift annual edition “We cannot keep silent. Students about the Holocaust” and the Newsletter of the Russian Research and Educational Holocaust Center.

In 2015 Gileva graduated from the Northern Arctic Federal University, Department of World’s History (specialization “American Studies” with the graduate project, “Reflection of the Holocaust in the American Public Consciousness during the Second World War, 1939-1945”). In 2015 she graduated from the University of Nordland (Norway), Faculty of Social Sciences, with a B.A. in Circumpolar Studies. In 2018, she graduated from the Russian State University for the Humanities, Department of Contemporary History of Russia (postgraduate program), and preparing the dissertation thesis, “The Holocaust in the Occupied Territory of the USSR in the American Historiography of the Second Half of the XXth – beginning of the XXIst centuries”.

ERIC GOZLAN

Eric Gozlan is the founder of Focus International Consulting and executive Director of Union of Peoples for Peace. After studying economics, he was admitted to the third cycle of the National School of Magistracy and worked for many years in the banking sector and at the Council of Europe. Apart from his career, he has always been interested in social and interreligious relations. Gozlan thinks that it is possible to reach peace by religion (since wars often start from it). It is for this reason that he works in France and abroad to work on interreligious dialogue.

He was recently appointed by the King of the Roma as ambassador for his cause for France and received the medal of peace in Romania. He is often invited to conferences for peace to give his expertise and has participated in many congresses on peace an interfaith dialogue in Korea, Russia, United States, Bahrain, Belgium, England, Italy, Romania. In 2018, he received a distinction from the Prince of Belgium for his works for peace, and Gozlan recently published, following a request from the Catican, a study on apostasy in Judaism.
Birgitte P. Haanshuus is a research fellow at the Norwegian Center for Holocaust and Minority Studies and a PhD student in Media Studies at the University of Oslo. She is also an affiliated researcher at the Center for Research on Extremism (C-REX), University of Oslo. Birgitte’s research interests include right-wing extremism, far-right politics, antisemitism and hate speech in the digital sphere. Her current research project focuses on the various manifestations of antisemitism in the online spaces of radical and extreme political groups, as well as in the ‘mainstream’ online debate in Norway. She has previously published research on the Norwegian far-right’s social media activism.

Kaitlyn Hickey is a PhD candidate at the University of Manitoba, where she focuses on land conflicts among the Sioux Indians. She graduated from the Post-Conflict Justice and Peacebuilding program at the University of Aberdeen in Scotland. Most recently, Kaitlyn worked in Washington DC within the US Senate. Previously, Kaitlyn worked in Northern Ireland and Bosnia.
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Alexander Hinton is Distinguished Professor of Anthropology, Director of the Center for the Study of Genocide and Human Rights, and UNESCO Chair in Genocide Prevention at Rutgers University. He is the author or editor of over a dozen books, including, most recently, Man or Monster? The Trial of a Khmer Rouge Torturer (Duke, 2016), The Justice Facade: Trials of Transition in Cambodia (Oxford, 2018), and Rethinking Peace: Discourse, Memory, Translation, and Dialogue (Rowman & Littlefield, 2019). In recognition of his work on genocide, the American Anthropological Association selected Hinton as the recipient of the 2009 Robert B. Textor and Family Prize for Excellence in Anticipatory Anthropology. Professor Hinton is also a past President of the International Association of Genocide Scholars (2011-13) and was a Member/Visitor at the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton (2011-13). In 2016, he served as an expert witness at the Khmer Rouge Tribunal.

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KELSEY LIZOTTE
Kelsey Lizotte is a PhD Candidate in the Division of Global Affairs and lecturer in the English Department at Rutgers University. Lizotte has served as a Graduate Associate at the Center for the Study of Genocide and Human Rights since 2014 and was the inaugural recipient of the Raphael Lemkin Graduate Fellowship (2017-2018). She earned an M.S in Global Affairs with a concentration in Conflict and Human Rights from Rutgers, and a B.S. from the State University of New York in Criminal Justice and Africana and Latino Studies.

Lizotte’s doctoral dissertation (Rethinking Reparations: A Critical Theory of Black Repair) offers a historical analysis of the black reparation movement in America, as well as a new framework for understanding the theory and practice of race-based repair. Her broader research interests include conflict transformation, critical genocide studies, critical social and political theory, political philosophy of human rights, and the politics of ethnicity, race, and nationalism.
TALI NATES

Tali Nates is the founder and director of the Johannesburg Holocaust & Genocide Centre. She is a historian who lectures internationally on Holocaust education, genocide prevention, reconciliation and human rights. Tali headed the curatorial team of the permanent exhibition at the Johannesburg Holocaust & Genocide Centre. She has presented at many conferences including at the United Nations in New York (2016). Tali is a fellow at the Salzburg Global Seminar (2014-2017) as well as the first Summer Education Academy of the International Nuremberg Principles Academy (2016). She published many articles and contributed chapters to different books, among them God, Faith & Identity from the Ashes: Reflections of Children and Grandchildren of Holocaust Survivors (2015) and Remembering The Holocaust in Educational Settings (2018).

Tali serves on the Academic Advisory Group of the School of Social Science, Monash University, South Africa. She was chosen as one of the top 100 newsworthy and noteworthy women in South Africa (Mail & Guardian) and was awarded the KIA Community Service Award. Tali acts as a scholar and leader of Holocaust and Genocide study-tours to Eastern Europe and Rwanda and was one of the founders of ‘Holocaust Survivors Services’ and ‘Rwanda Genocide Survivors Services’ in Johannesburg. Born to a family of Holocaust survivors, Tali’s father and uncle were saved by Oskar Schindler.

ADAM MULLER

Dr. Adam Muller is Director of the Peace and Conflict Studies (PACS) program and Acting Director of the interdisciplinary Master of Human Rights program at the University of Manitoba, Canada. Mainly a theorist, he researches and teaches on the visual representation of genocide, suffering, and human rights. He is the editor of Concepts of Culture: Art, Politics, and Society (2005), as well as co-editor of Fighting Words and Images: Representing War Across the Disciplines (2012) and The Idea of a Human Rights Museum (2015). Dr. Muller has authored or co-authored chapters and articles on the Canadian Museum for Human Rights, Indigenous genocide, genocide prevention, assemblage theory, Holocaust humour, perpetrator photography, Indigenous research ethics, nostalgia, virtual trauma, philosophical realism, and the history of America’s cultural discontents in such venues as New Literary History, Cultural Critique, American, TOPIA, and the University of Toronto Quarterly.

Dr. Muller has a special interest in photography, and in 2014 curated Photrocities, an exhibition of never-before seen Soviet wartime atrocity photographs for which he also wrote the catalogue entitled Photrocities: Mass Violence and its Aftermaths in the Sovfoto Archive (2014). He is the First Vice-President of the International Association of Genocide Scholars, a Research Associate at the Mauro Institute for Peace and Justice Studies, and a Senior Research Fellow with the U of M’s Centre for Defense and Security Studies. Dr. Muller codirects the Embodiment of Empathy project, which gathers together survivors, scholars, and private-sector tech professionals to create an immersive Canadian Indian Residential School in Virtual Reality.
NELA NAVARRO

Nela Navarro is the Director of the Graduate English Language Learners and International Teaching Assistants Program (Grad ELL & ITA Program) and Assistant Director in the English Department’s Writing Program. She is also the Associate Director and Director of Education of the Center for the Study of Genocide and Human Rights. Her research and academic interests include language rights, language and identity, trans-lingual pedagogy, new literacies studies, critical pedagogy, writing as sites of recursive memory, educational reform, comparative global education, the role of technology in educational access, human rights, genocide and peace education. She has served as a lecturer at Columbia University’s School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia’s Chazen Business School, and at the Shanghai International Studies University, China. She is currently an editor for the Rutgers University Press book series “Genocide, Human Rights and Political Violence.” She is also the translator of a human rights education volume, *Towards a Just Society: The Personal Journeys of Human Rights Educators* (University of Minnesota) and author of a forthcoming book, *Translingual Identities and Transnational Realities in the U.S. College Classroom* (Routledge).

GIORGIO SHANI

Dr. Giorgio Shani is Chair of the Department of Politics and International Studies and Director of the Rotary Peace Center, at International Christian University (ICU), Japan. From 2016 to 2017, he was Visiting Senior Research Fellow at the Centre for International Studies at the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE). Recently, he served as President of the Asia-Pacific region of the International Studies Association (ISA) from 2014-18.

His main research interests focus on Religion and Politics, Theories of Nationalism, Critical Human Security and Post-Western International Political Theory with reference to South Asia and Japan. He is author of *Sikh Nationalism and Identity in a Global Age* (Routledge 2008) and *Religion, Identity and Human Security* (Routledge 2014); and co-editor of *Protecting Human Security in a Post 9/11 World* (Palgrave 2007) and *Rethinking Peace* (Rowman and Littlefield 2019).
Dr. Ly Sok-Kheang is the Director of the Anlong Veng Peace Center. Sok-Kheang was born in 1980, a year after the Khmer Rouge regime’s collapse. The oldest son of four siblings, he is a native of Kandal province, where his parents worked as farmers and where he received his secondary education. When his entire family moved to Phnom Penh in 1993, Sok-Kheang continued his high school studies there.

In 2002, Sok-Kheang began volunteering at the DC-Cam, contributing to various research and documentation projects. After successfully completing his master’s degree, he returned to DC-Cam to join as a Project Leader of Living Documents and Witnessing Justice.

Sok-Kheang received a bachelor’s degree from the Royal University of Phnom Penh. In 2007, he received a master’s degree in Peace and Reconciliation Studies at Coventry University in the United Kingdom. In 2008, Dr. Ly renewed his graduate studies at Coventry University, completing his doctoral degree in March 2014.

Andrew Woolford is professor of sociology and criminology at the University of Manitoba, a member of the Royal Society of Canada College, and former president of the International Association of Genocide Scholars. He is author of *This Benevolent Experiment*: Indigenous Boarding Schools, Genocide and Redress in the United States and Canada (2015), *The Politics of Restorative Justice* (2009), and *Between Justice and Certainty*: Treaty-Making in British Columbia (2005), as well as co-author of *Informal Reckonings*: Conflict Resolution in Mediation, Restorative Justice, and Reparations (2005). He is co-editor of *Canada and Colonial Genocide* (2017), *The Idea of a Human Rights Museum* (2015), and *Colonial Genocide in Indigenous North America* (2014). He is currently working on two community-based research projects with residential school Survivors: 1) Embodying Empathy, which will design, build, and test a virtual Indian Residential School to serve as a site of knowledge mobilization and empathy formation; and 2) Remembering Assiniboia, which focuses on commemoration of the Assiniboia Residential School. He has most recently initiated a project on human and other-than-human relations within genocidal processes under the title “symbiotic destruction.”