



« Mémoires de passeurs, passeurs de mémoires.

Lieux, temps et formes de la transmission et de l'oubli »

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The Viennese seminar - part of an international research network interested in the interplay of places and actors in the process of memories transmission – is based on a simple statement: Urban space frames the articulation of collective memories, and of memory conflicts; it incorporates both processes of inscription and of erasement of these memories. By relying to concrete examples of how places of memory are constructed and transformed, the seminar aims to understand what is transmitted, and how it is transmitted. It puts emphasis on the role of the researcher involved in this transmission process, and on the ethical, methodological, and epistemological questions that arise in this regard. The seminar focuses more particularly on the transmission of memories in the context of lives marked by migration and exile.

Participants are invited to give 20 to 30 minutes talks on their activities as a *passeur* (e.g. as a scientist, a curator, an artist, an activist, or several of these roles), and introduce a discussion on his/her own role as a transmitter. The program has been conceived in order to include scientific projects, private memory initiatives, artistic work, advocacy enterprises, museums and other forms of public remembrance. The seminar also intends to develop the debate on these issues; it includes two urban walks, on memory work concerning Jewish life in Ottakring, and on Turkish memory in Vienna.

Program

Friday 16 January 2015

2pm Meeting at Yppenplatz (Brunnenpassage, Wien 16, Brunnengasse 71)

Urban walk on memory work concerning Jewish life in Ottakring, with *Gabi Anderl, Historian, Österreichische Gesellschaft für Exilforschung*

4pm Institut für Soziologie, Universität Wien

Walter Manoschek, Peter Pirker, Philipp Rode, Eva Schwab, Monika Palmberger (University of Vienna), Politics of remembrance and the transition of public spaces. A political and social analysis of Vienna, 1995-2015

Jérôme Segal, Historian, The Vienna Project

Georg Traska, Historian, Local bottom up initiatives ('Servitengasse' et 'Herklotzgasse')

7pm Diner

Saturday 17 January 2015

Institut für Soziologie, Universität Wien

10am Session I: Memory and places in literature and film

Céline Barrère, Sociologist and Urban Planner, École nationale d'architecture et du paysage de Lille, and Jo Schmeiser, Filmmaker, Vienna

12am Session II: Between commemoration, preservation, and advocacy

*Nadir Sidhoum and Amar Naffa, association Génériques, Paris
Evelyn Klein, researcher Wien/ Graz (comments)*

1pm Session III: Canonical versus opposing memories?

Martina Nussbaumer and Gerhard Milchram, Historians and Curators, Wien Museum

3pm: Urban walk, Places of Turkish Memory in Vienna , with Ramid Dogan

(Meeting point: Restaurant Kümmeltürk, Wien 10, Rotenhofgasse 11)

Concluding remarks: *Claire Lévy-Vroelant, Professor of Sociology, Université de Paris 8 Saint-Denis, and Program Director, Maison des Sciences de l'Homme Paris Nord*