

TEACHING and LEARNING ABOUT NATIONAL SOCIALISM and THE HOLOCAUST

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Teaching and learning about National Socialism and the Holocaust

With its ERINNERN:AT programme, Austria's Agency for Education and Internationalisation – the OeAD – deals with teaching and learning about National Socialism and the Holocaust, as well as the prevention of antisemitism through education, implemented on behalf of the Ministry of Education.

Teaching materials, websites dedicated to education and learning apps are being developed for these topics and regional, national and international training programmes are being offered to teachers.

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ERINNERN:AT

works as a decentralised network represented by one or two network coordinators in each federal state. They serve as points of contact for teachers in the region, and help to develop state-specific programmes and projects.



The ERINNERN:AT team implements the programme from its two locations in Bregenz and Vienna.

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- + organises training courses and seminar trips for teachers,
- + develops teaching materials and (digital) learning opportunities,
- + promotes and organises talks with eyewitnesses,
- + offers tours for school classes in Vienna and Innsbruck,
- + advises and supports school projects,
- + initiates and organises the exchange of expertise and
- + participates in national and international committees.

FURTHER TRAININGS



Teacher trainings

Seminars are offered at teacher training colleges in all federal states, which aim to train teachers on various topics and provide them with practical learning materials and methods.

Central Seminar

Once a year, the OeAD organises Austria's largest teacher training course on the topics of the Holocaust, National Socialism, antisemitism and racism. The conference has been held in a different federal state every year since 2001. With a changing focus, it links regional, national and international debates on remembrance culture and education.



STUDY TRIPS



Study trip to the Auschwitz-Birkenau memorial site

On a study trip to the memorial site and the Austrian exhibition there, teachers learn how Auschwitz can be addressed in the classroom and on site. The study trip is organised in cooperation with the National Fund of the Republic of Austria for Victims of National Socialism.



Study visits to Israel

As part of two courses at teacher training colleges in Salzburg and Upper Austria, teachers participate in a two-week study visit to Israel organised by ERINNERN:AT. Among other activities, they will visit the Yad Vashem memorial and the Centre for Humanistic Education in Lohamei Hagetaot.

TEACHING materials



The 9 volumes from the **youth book series “National Socialism in the Federal States”** offer an ideal introduction to the topic. They convey the essential content on National Socialism in the individual federal states, and also deal with specific biographies. Numerous illustrations visualise the individual chapters.

The history of Jews is often primarily dealt with in connection with the Holocaust. There is a danger of reducing Jewish history to the history of persecution and extermination. With the **learning material entitled “Vielfalt” (“Diversity”)**, young people learn about the diversity of Jewish life in Austria before 1938.



DIGITAL LEARNING OFFERS



The **Digital Remembrance Landscape (DERLA)** documents places and symbols of remembrance within the federal states. It facilitates an examination of local culture of remembrance, smaller research projects and larger school projects.



With the learning app **“Fliehen vor dem Holocaust” (“Fleeing the Holocaust”)**, young people meet eyewitnesses who talk about their experiences of fleeing in video interviews and explore the historical background.



All learning offers can be found in the learning materials database at www.erinnern.at/lernmaterialien. They can be filtered by subject and school level.

EYEWITNESSES



Seminar

Teachers learn how encounters with survivors of the Holocaust can be integrated into lessons at this seminar format – every year in Vienna.



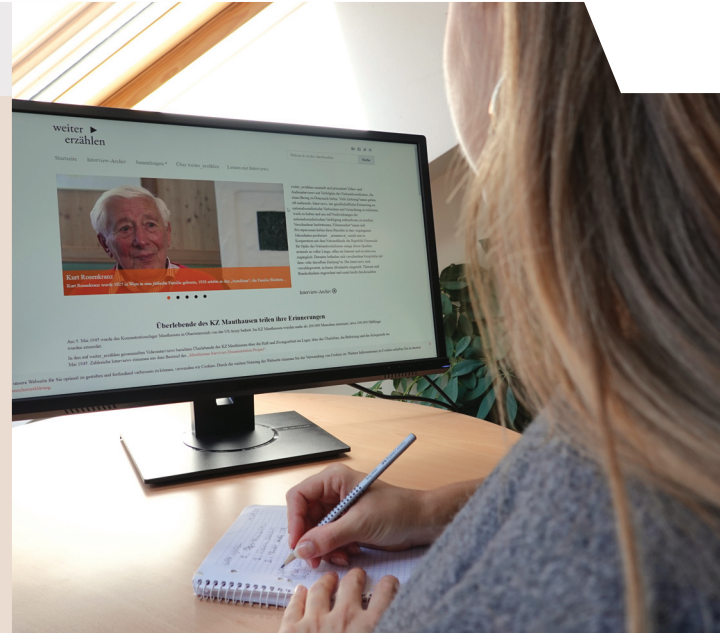


School visits

ERINNERN:AT organises and supports school visits by survivors of the Nazi era in terms of organisation and didactic needs.



All information about the eyewitness programme can be found at www.erinnern.at/zeitzeuginnen



Learning with video interviews

ERINNERN:AT preserves the memories of survivors in video interviews on www.weitererzaehlen.at

HOLOCAUST EDUCATION INTERNATIONAL

How are the Nazi atrocities remembered both nationally and internationally?

How can Holocaust education be facilitated?

And what will tomorrow's culture of remembrance look like?

The OeAD addresses questions such as these in international committees and research communities – for example, in the **International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA)** and as a partner of the **European Holocaust Research Infrastructure (EHRI)**.

EXCHANGE OF EXPERTISE

The OeAD programme ERINNERN:AT organises conferences and symposia with national and international cooperation partners, which aim to foster an interdisciplinary exchange.

The results of Austrian and international research projects are compiled in publications, and provide educational stakeholders with specific recommendations for action.



International expert meeting on “Stories that Move” – an online toolbox against antisemitism, racism and discrimination today.

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