

BIOGRAPHY

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Gabriella Komoly

Gabriella Komoly is the program manager at Zachor Foundation, an educational NGO in Budapest, Hungary. She earned her master's degree from the Central European University's Nationalism studies program with a specialization in Jewish Studies. She's been conducting interviews with elderly bystanders and survivors of the Holocaust since 2014 as member of two research groups (USHMM: Perpetrators, Collaborators, and Witnesses: The Jeff and Toby Herr Testimony Initiative, Eötvös Loránd Science University: Multidisciplinary Research about witnesses of the Holocaust). She is the author of several local-history educational programs as well as other testimony-based educational materials. She is currently studying psychology at the University of Pécs in Hungary.

Juraj Varga

Juraj, trained as educator and historian, focuses on development of learning and teaching materials and development of teacher training programs on regional, national and European levels since 2014. Juraj loves to work with teachers and for teachers, support them and to create professional development opportunities for them. He founded the Centre for Education and Innovations, NGO based in Slovakia in 2017 and acts as its Chairman. Closely cooperates with The Institute for the Study of Totalitarian Regimes (Czechia) on teaching about state socialism and acts as one of three Pedagogical Advisors for Holocaust as a starting point, teacher training program running around Europe by Mémorial de la Shoah (France). Juraj harvests data and researches about the use of the materials and programs developed. He is highly interested in communication, memory and propaganda studies, psycholinguistics and sociolinguistics. At EuroClio, he has been active in various projects: "Learning to Disagree", "Online Teaching in the Visegrad Region", "Sharing European Histories", and most recently, "Who were the victims of National Socialists?".