

LECTURE/WORKSHOP SUMMARY

Greece, North Macedonia, Bulgaria - Sofia 2023

Speaker:

The workshop carries the title "The use of primary sources when teaching the Holocaust in the Bulgarian occupation zone in Greece (1942-1943)" and will be conducted by Maria Vassilikou, Jewish Museum of Greece. It will focus on a) a farewell letter written by a Greek Jew from Kavala while being deported to Treblinka b) a document shedding light on the antisemitic measures imposed by the Bulgarians on the Greek Jews residing in the Bulgarian occupation zone c) a short video showing scenes from the deportation of Jews from Macedonia and Thrace by the Bulgarians. Thereby we shall discuss i.a. a) the special importance of primary sources when teaching the Holocaust in general b) the relevance of such sources for teaching the Holocaust in the Bulgarian occupation zone in Greece c) the different information emerging from different primary sources (personal letters, official documents, videos, artefacts etc.)