

2023 EUROPEAN MAYORS – SUMMIT AGAINST ANTISEMITISM –

FOSTERING CULTURAL DIVERSITY

NOVEMBER 29 – DECEMBER 1
DORTMUND, GERMANY

CHAired BY THE HONORABLE THOMAS WESTPHAL, LORD MAYOR OF DORTMUND



OVERVIEW

After successful summits in Athens and Frankfurt, the 2023 European Mayors Summit Against Antisemitism will focus on "Fostering Cultural Diversity" and enhancing social harmony through cultural and sporting events at the local level. Dortmund, known as the "City of Sports" and chair of the European Coalition of Cities Against Racism's Working Group on Antisemitism, will host this gathering.

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PROGRAM

Wednesday, November 29, 2023

The bus will leave at 6:15 PM from the Residence Inn by Marriott Dortmund City.

Opening Gala Dinner

7:00 - 9:30 PM

The Gala Dinner is set to occur at "Kokerei Hansa," a historical industrial monument that provides captivating glimpses into the history of heavy industry from the previous century. Today, it stands as a protected historical landmark.

- **Thomas Westphal**, Lord Mayor of Dortmund, Germany
- **Olaf Scholz**, Chancellor of Germany (Recorded Statement)
- **Sacha Roytman**, Chief Executive Officer of Combat Antisemitism Movement
- **Zwi Rappoport**, Chairman of the Board of the Jewish Community of Dortmund
- **Marie-Christine Lemardeley**, Deputy Mayor of Paris, France
- **Natalie Sanandaji**, Survivor of the Nova Music Festival Massacre
- **Dr. Gil Yaron**, Head of the Office of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia for Economy, Science, Education, Youth and Culture in Israel

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- **Natan Sharansky**, Chair of the Advisory Board of the Combat Antisemitism Movement

Thursday, November 30, 2023

The bus will leave at 8:00 AM from the Residence Inn by Marriott Dortmund City.

Breakfast

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

Plenary Sessions

9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

The first part of the day will be held at the Jewish Community Center in Dortmund and will feature Opening Speeches, Panel Discussions and City presentations.

9:00 - 9:30 AM - Opening Remarks

- **Robert Singer**, Board of Governors of Combat Antisemitism Movement
- **Rabbi Avigdor Moshe Nosikov**, Rabbi of the Jewish Community of Dortmund
- **Sabine Leutheusser-Schnarrenberger**, Commissioner for Antisemitism of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia and Former Federal Minister of Justice
- **Marc Cools**, President of the Congress of Regional and Local Authorities of the Council of Europe
- **Oriana Marie Krüger**, Director of European Affairs of Combat Antisemitism Movement

9:30 - 10:30 AM - Cities United Against Hate

- **Betina Beskina**, Deputy Mayor of Tallinn, Estonia
- **Pavlo Vugelman**, Deputy Mayor of Odessa, Ukraine
- **Marie-Christine Lemardeley**, Deputy Mayor of Paris, France
- **Sem Moema**, London Assembly Member for North East

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10:30 - 11:15 AM - Translation of National Strategies to the Local Level

- **Eddo Verdoner**, National Coordinator for Combating Antisemitism of the Netherlands
- **Joris Bengevoord**, Mayor of Winterswijk, The Netherlands
- **Pieter Verhoeve**, Mayor of Gouda, The Netherlands
- **Matthijs Sikkes-van den Berg**, Aldermen of Diemen

11:15 - 11:30 AM - Coffee Break

11:30 - 11:50 AM - Local Alliances Against Antisemitism - ECCAR Cities Taking Action

- **Danijel Cubelic**, ECCAR Vice President
- **Jana Christ**, ECCAR Coordinator

11:50 - 12:15 PM - Fighting Antisemitism - German and Israeli Perspectives

- **Michal Cotler-Wunsh**, Israeli Special Envoy for Combating Antisemitism
- **Dr. Felix Klein**, Federal Government Commissioner for Jewish Life and the Fight against Antisemitism in Germany

12:15 - 12:45 PM - The City of Dortmund against Antisemitism - Holistic Approaches

- **Gregor Lange**, Chief of Police in Dortmund
- **Daniel Lörcher**, Managing Director of What Matters GmbH
- **Markus Günnewig**, Director of Memorial Steinwache
- **Micha Neumann**, Teamleader at ADIRA

Lunch

12:50 - 1:45 PM

After lunch, summit participants will be picked up from the Jewish Community Center.

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2:00 – 3:00 PM – The Use of Public Space Against Antisemitism: Unveiling of a New Mural Project

- **Thomas Westphal**, Lord Mayor of Dortmund, Germany
- **Adi Amit**, Family of Paul Hirsch
- **Leopoldo Khan**, Family of Paul Hirsch
- **Mister Oreo 39**, Artist of the Mural

3:00 PM – 3:30 PM – Coffee Break

Specialized Breakout Sessions

3:30 – 4:30 PM

At the “Sparkassenakademie,” a renovated castle, participants will have the opportunity to choose from two different sessions, which they can attend and participate in based on their interests.

Option A: Upholding Religious Pluralism and Safeguarding Freedom of Belief

Malmö Case Study

Opening Words: **Gady Gronich**, CEO & Chief of Staff to the President of the Conference of European Rabbis

- **Rabbi Moshe David HaCohen**, Co-Director of AMANAH
- **Roko Kursar**, Deputy Mayor of Malmö, Sweden

Panel on Interfaith and Intercultural Relations

- **Keti Luarasi**, Deputy Mayor of Tirana, Albania
- **H.E. Ahmed Al Mansoori**, Founder of the Crossroads of Civilization Museum in Dubai

Option B: Championing Social Justice through Sports: The Role of Sport Clubs in Combating Hate

- **Ambassador Dr. Gusztav Bienerth**, Senior Advisor to the President of Ferencvárosi FC, Member of the Board
- **Steven Burger**, Fancoach, Supporter Liaison Officer / SLO, Feyenoord Club

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- **Joram Verhoeven**, Educational Projects Department, Anne Frank House
- **Daniel Lörcher**, Managing Director of What Matters GmbH

4:30 – 5:15 PM Interactive Municipal Action Plan Building

- **Sacha Roytman**, Chief Executive of Combat Antisemitism Movement

The bus will leave at 5:15 PM from Sparkassenakademie.

Summit Closing Reception and Dinner

5:30 – 9:00 PM

The dinner will be held at “Phoenix des Lumières” where the walls of the historic gas blower hall will be illuminated as a light installation in an immersive art experience.

- **Thomas Westphal**, Lord Mayor of Dortmund, Germany
- **Michael Whine MBE**, UK Member of the European Commission Against Racism and Intolerance, Council of Europe
- **Lord John Mann**, Independent Adviser to UK Government on Antisemitism
- **Laura Ellsworth**, Partner-in-Charge of Global Community Service Initiatives at Jones Day, Co-Chair of the Eradicate Hate Summit
- **Award Ceremony**: 2023 Award for Outstanding Contributions in Combating Antisemitism in Sports

Friday, December 1, 2023 – (Optional)

The bus will leave at 8:00 AM from Residence Inn by Marriott Dortmund City to the BVB Football Stadium.

Breakfast at the BVB Football Stadium

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM

Guided Visit of the BVB Football Stadium

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

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Roundtable Discussions

10:15 AM - 12:30 PM

The roundtable discussions will bring together professionals and representatives from civil society organizations to deliberate on practical solutions for urgent issues, with participants given the option to choose from four key topics for in-depth discussion, while also exploring how to implement related projects at the city level.

Preservation of Jewish Heritage and Culture

European Association for the Preservation and Promotion of Jewish Culture and Heritage (AEPJ)

Education and Training of Public Officials and Decision Makers

EMPATHIA³ - Empowering Police Officers and Teachers in Arguing Against Antisemitism

Activism in Sports

What Matters, Zusammen1

The role of Companies for Anti-Discrimination

Bayer AG, Evonik Foundation, DSW21, What Matters

Lunch

12:30 - 1:30 PM