

# THE VALE SYMPOSIUM ON HOLDCAUST AND GENOCIDE

Presented by the Program for Biomedical Ethics at Yale School of Medicine

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The Yale Symposium on Holocaust and Genocide, will feature an international panel of scholars discussing historical, sociological, and legal aspects of genocide, including the Nazi era as well as other historical and present-day examples. Much of the program will focus specifically on the role of physicians. This symposium will be a virtual event, intended for a wide audience including scholars in each of these disciplines, as well as the general public. It will be available free of charge for all.

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### January 26, 2022

AGENDA

#### All virtual meeting

12:00 to 4:30 PM

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#### 12:00- 12:10 PM

Welcome and Introduction Moderator, **Mark R. Mercurio, MD, MA** Professor of Pediatrics, Yale University School of Medicine Director, Program for Biomedical Ethics

12:10 - 12:40 PM

The Intention to Destroy **Evelyne de Mevius, PhD** Research Associate, Centre for International Crisis and Conflict Studies (CECRI), Catholic University of Louvain (Belgium)

**12:40 – 1:10 PM** Genocide: The Post-Conflict Reconstruction Process **Andrew Heinrich, JD, MPhil** Special Policy and Projects, Office of Senator Robert Menendez Founder and President, Project Rousseau

**1:10 – 1:40 PM** From Norfolk to Nuremberg - The Lasting Influence of U.S. Eugenics Laws **Katherine Kraschel, JD** Executive Director of the Solomon Center for Health Law and Policy Lecturer in Law, Clinical Lecturer in Law, and Research Scholar in Law, Yale Law School

1:40 – 2:10 PM Panel Discussion

**2:10 – 2:25 PM** Break

**2:25 – 2:55 PM** Nazi Physicians and Involvement in Genocide **John Hughes, MD** Professor of Medicine (General Medicine), Yale School of Medicine Associate Director, Program for Biomedical Ethics

2:55 – 3:25 PM Jewish Prisoner Physicians in Nazi Camps Sari J. Siegel, PhD Founding Director, Center for Medicine, Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center (Los Angeles, CA) Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of History, UCLA

**3:25 – 3:55 PM** West German Physicians After the War: Conflict and Complicity **Thorsten Wagner, MA** Executive Director of FASPE (Fellowships at Auschwitz for the Study of Professional Ethics) Associate Professor, Danish Institute for Study Abroad/University of Copenhagen, Denmark

3:55 – 4:25 PM Panel Discussion

**4:25 – 4:30 PM** Concluding Remarks **Mark Mercurio, MD, MA** Professor of Pediatrics, Yale University School of Medicine Director, Program for Biomedical Ethics



### **The Intention to Destroy**

#### **Evelyne de Mevius**

Research Associate, Centre for International Crisis and Conflict Studies (CECRI), Catholic University of Louvain (Belgium)

Evelyne de Mevius holds a PhD in philosophy and theology from the University of Paris Nanterre and the University of Geneva. Her research focuses on the articulation between the concept of recognition and violence. Dr. de Mevius holds a degree in philosophy, a master's degree in ethics and a postmaster's degree in European Studies from the Free University of Brussels. She currently works in publishing and translation for ATD Fourth World and the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction.



### Genocide: The Post-Conflict Reconstruction Process

#### Andrew Heinrich, JD, MPhil

Special Policy and Projects, Office of Senator Robert Menendez Founder and President, Project Rousseau

Andrew Heinrich currently works on Special Policy and Projects for Senator Robert Menendez. He also serves on the Board of HIAS, a refugee resettlement agency. Andrew Heinrich founded Project Rousseau in 2011 while an undergraduate student at Columbia University. Since then, he completed his JD at Harvard Law School and MPhil at Oxford University. Alongside his leadership of Project Rousseau, Andrew is General Secretary and a founding board member of PARC Adventures Monaco. He also serves on the Fund Development Council at Columbia University, the Junior Board at City Harvest, the Board of the International School of Monaco, and the Board of Directors at HIAS.

\* Andrew Heinrich is speaking in his personal capacity only. The content of this lecture was developed before he joined the U.S. Government and reflects his personal views.



### From Norfolk to Nuremberg -The Lasting Influence of U.S. Eugenics Laws

#### Katherine L. Kraschel, JD

Executive Director, Solomon Center for Health Law and Policy Lecturer in Law, Clinical Lecturer in Law, and Research Scholar in Law at Yale Law School

Katherine Kraschel is the Executive Director of the Solomon Center for Health Law and Policy at Yale Law School where she also co-teaches the Reproductive Rights and Justice Project Clinic. Katie's scholarship focuses on the intersection of reproduction, gender, bioethics, and health policy with a particular concentration on reproductive technologies. Her work has appeared in prominent journals including the *Journal of the American Medical Association*, the *Harvard Journal of Law and Gender*, and the *Journal of Law, Medicine and Ethics*. Previously, Katie was Associate Counsel at Yale New Haven Health. She holds a bachelor's degree in biochemistry from Mount Holyoke College and a law degree from Harvard Law School. She also completed Harvard Medical School's Fellowship in Bioethics and served as a writing fellow for Harvard Medical School's Bioethics Program.



### Nazi Physicians and Involvement in Genocide

#### John Hughes, MD

Professor of Medicine (General Medicine), Yale School of Medicine Associate Director, Program for Biomedical Ethics

Dr. John Hughes is Professor of Medicine at Yale School of Medicine, where he is a member of the Ethics Committee and directs a course for first year medical students called "Professional Responsibility" that deals with medical ethics, professional behavior, and the health care system. He has for many years served as medical faculty for the Fellowships at Auschwitz for the Study of Professional Ethics. He has received several awards from medical students and medical residents for excellence in teaching. He received his undergraduate and medical degrees from the University of North Carolina, trained in internal medicine at Ohio State and Yale, and attended the Clinical Scholars Program at Yale University.



### Jewish Prisoner Physicians in Nazi Camps

#### Sari J. Siegel, PhD

Founding Director, Center for Medicine, Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center (Los Angeles, CA) Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of History, UCLA

After receiving her PhD in history from the University of Southern California, Dr. Siegel returned to her alma mater (Yale 'o6) as the 2018-2019 Geoffrey H. Hartman Postdoctoral Fellow at the Yale Fortunoff Video Archive for Holocaust Testimonies and taught an elective course at the Yale School of Medicine. She then held a two-year postdoctoral fellowship in the Program in the History of Medicine at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, before founding the Cedars-Sinai Center for Medicine, Holocaust and Genocide Studies. In addition to teaching an upper-level undergraduate course as a Visiting Assistant Professor at UCLA, Dr. Siegel has published several peer review articles and presented her research on prisoner-physicians in Nazi camps in seven countries. She is currently completing a book manuscript based on her dissertation "Between Coercion and Resistance: Jewish Prisoner-Physicians in Nazi Camps, 1940-1945."



### West German Physicians After the War: Conflict and Complicity

#### Thorsten Wagner, MA

Executive Director of FASPE (Fellowships at Auschwitz for the Study of Professional Ethics) Associate Professor, Danish Institute for Study Abroad/University of Copenhagen, Denmark

Thorsten Wagner is a German historian, born 1970 in Sønderborg, Denmark. He completed his undergraduate studies at the University of Tübingen, Germany, graduate studies at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, at the Technische Universität Berlin and the Freie Universität Berlin, and postgraduate studies at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Being based in Berlin 1993-2010, he held positions as educator at the Jewish Museum of Berlin, and as a research fellow at the Danish Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Copenhagen, and at the Department of Scandinavian Studies, Humboldt Universität zu Berlin. From 2010 to 2019 he was the Associate Professor of Modern European History at the Danish Institute for Study Abroad-University of Copenhagen; and, since 2019, Executive Director of FASPE - based in New York City. He was a historical consultant for the acclaimed new documentary "Germans and Jews" (2016), dealing with contemporary Germany, its relationship to its Nazi past and the reemergence of Jewish life: <u>http://germansandjews.com.</u> He has numerous academic publications in the fields of Modern German and European Jewish History, antisemitism, Holocaust studies, cultures of memory, and Israeli history and society.



### Moderator

#### Mark R. Mercurio, MD, MA

Professor of Pediatrics, Yale University School of Medicine Director, Program for Biomedical Ethics

Dr. Mercurio is Director of the Program for Biomedical Ethics, Professor of Pediatrics, and Chief of Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine at Yale School of Medicine. He has been an invited lecturer nationally and internationally, focusing on analyses of ethical issues in adult and pediatric medicine, primarily pediatrics, and is widely published in the field of bioethics. Dr. Mercurio is on the editorial board of the six-volume textbook Bioethics, and is co-editor of the textbook Clinical Ethics in Pediatrics. He has for many years served on the medical faculty of the Fellowships at Auschwitz for the Study of Professional Ethics (FASPE), and currently serves as Chair of the American Academy of Pediatrics Section on Bioethics Executive Committee. He received his undergraduate degree in Biochemical Sciences from Princeton University, and his M.D. from Columbia University. He completed Pediatrics Residency and Neonatology Fellowship at Yale University, and received a Master's Degree in Philosophy from Brown University. In addition to his work in bioethics, Dr. Mercurio leads the faculty at Yale in Neonatology, overseeing medical care provided in five Neonatal Intensive Care Units, including at Yale-New Haven Children's Hospital.



## REGISTRATION

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