

## EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Project name and acronym:	Memory Futures, MF
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EVENT DESCRIPTION			
Event number:	WP16		
Event name:	This year, in Jerusalem! (Idén Jeruzsálemben!)		
Type:	festival		
In situ/online:	in-situ		
Location:	Hungary, Budapest		
Date(s):	2024 June 8-9		
Website(s) (if any):	<a href="https://limmud.hu/iden-jeruzsalem/">https://limmud.hu/iden-jeruzsalem/</a> <a href="https://limmudeurope.org/event/this-year-in-jerusalem-iden-jeruzsalem/">https://limmudeurope.org/event/this-year-in-jerusalem-iden-jeruzsalem/</a>		
Participants			
Female:	35		
Male:	41		
Non-binary:	0		
From country 1 Hungary:	76		
Total number of participants:	76	From total number of countries:	1
Description			
Provide a short description of the event and its activities.			
<p>Originally intended as a culminating international event, this gathering was instead reimagined in response to the urgent and changing global situation. The event, now titled "This Year, In Jerusalem!" was conceived as a dedicated space for immediate reflection on the current conflict and its profound impact on Israel and Jewish communities worldwide. This new title, drawing on the Passover phrase "next year in Jerusalem," captured the shared hope for peace and resolution while grounding the event in the present need for solidarity and open dialogue.</p>			

### A Theme of Solidarity: Navigating Crisis Together

In light of the ongoing crisis, the event's redefined purpose was to create a safe space where community members could discuss the pressing issues affecting Jewish identity, pride, and resilience. Although scaled back from its original vision, the program maintained a powerful focus on solidarity, giving participants the unique opportunity to come together for reflection, connection, and constructive conversation.

#### Program Highlights

The program included a selection of carefully designed sessions that encouraged deep engagement and understanding. Highlights included:

- A **panel discussion** exploring the current political context of the conflict.
- A **research presentation** on how the Hungarian Jewish media has portrayed the war.
- A **historical analysis** of university protests and the "Free Palestine" movement.
- A dialogue addressing **recent trends in antisemitism** across Europe.
- A comparative session on **international and Jewish religious law** in times of war.
- A discussion on the **global implications of conflicts** in Ukraine and the Middle East.
- A **workshop on Jewish pride and identity** within the diaspora.

These sessions provided a much-needed refuge for respectful dialogue, away from the often polarizing online and public conversations about the Middle East. The gathering allowed participants to address sensitive topics and diverse perspectives in a space that prioritized listening and learning.

In doing so, the event offered a framework for historical awareness and civic reflection, allowing participants to draw connections between past injustices, current crises, and the responsibility of individuals and communities to uphold democratic values, human dignity, and pluralism. The emphasis on open, informed dialogue and solidarity in times of crisis helped reinforce the idea that remembrance is not only about the past, but also about shaping a more just and empathetic present.

#### Responding to Challenges with Resilience

In recognition of the current climate, organizers heightened security to ensure a safe environment. Unfortunately, on the night before the event, anti-Israel leaflets were discovered outside the venue. The team swiftly removed them in a unified act of respect and protection, allowing participants to feel secure in the space. This response underscored the event's commitment to fostering a welcoming atmosphere, despite challenges.

In the end, "This Year, In Jerusalem!" successfully provided a haven for community members to meet, reflect, and engage in thoughtful dialogue. This gathering illustrated the power of resilience and solidarity, a reminder that, even when scaled down, our community's unity and strength continue to shine through. The event's impact was both a testament to our shared values and an urgent reflection on the hope for peace.

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