



Our responsibility today – historical approaches for Police trainees as part of their educational program

The educational staff of Flossenbürg Memorial offers frequently programs for future Police Officers as a one-day study-program at the Memorial. The focus lays on the history of the collaboration according the police and the concentration camp personnel/SS during Nazi time as well as the police in general as part of the Nazi-power.

The program offers material to discuss the traditional helping role of the police and the participation in crimes and the violation of human rights during the Nazi time. The goal of the study-program is be aware of decision-making in the professional framework of Police order as well as a reflection on their professional acting relating on human rights as state representatives.

The educational staff of Flossenbürg Memorial collaborates since 2013 with regional Police Schools which implement this study-program as part of their three-years-training for Police Officers.

Workshop content

Police 1933 – 1939

Police 1939 – 1945

The Criminal Police (Kripo) and
“Preventive Police Custody”

Geheime Staatspolizei (Gestapo)
and “Political Protective Custody”

Execution of forced laborers
performed by Police and SS