

Symposium “Diplomats who Saved Jewish Lives”

(September 05, 2018, VMU Small Hall, Daukanto g. 28, Kaunas)

13:00-14:00 Opening speeches

Moderated by Emilija Šakalienė, Kaunas City Municipality

Mr. Visvaldas Matijošaitis, Kaunas City Mayor;

H.E. Ms. Anne Hall, Ambassador of United States of America in Lithuania;

H.E. Mr. Amir Maimon, Ambassador of Israel in Lithuania;

H.E. Mr. Shiro Yamasaki, Ambassador – Designate of Japan in Lithuania;

H.E. Mr. François Croquette, Ambassador at large for Human Rights and Holocaust issues for Shoah;

Mr. Darius Skusevičius, Vice-Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania.

14:00-14:15 Coffee break

14:15-15:30 Presentations

Moderator: Dr. Aurelijus Zykas, Vytautas Magnus University

Prof. Rotem Kowner, Haifa University, Israel. *From Anonymity to Fame: The Commemoration of Diplomats Who Saved Jews;*

Prof. Chiharu Inaba, Meijo University, Japan. *Re-evaluation of 'Visas for Life' by Chiune Sugihara;*

Prof. Tal Bruttman, France. *Diplomats who saved Jewish people in France;*

Mr. Michał Potocki, Poland. *Bernese Group – Polish diplomats saving lives in Switzerland.*

15:30-16:00 Coffee break

16:00-16:45 Panel discussion

Moderator: Dr. Simonas Strelcovas, Sugihara “Diplomats for Life” Foundation

Members: Prof. Chiharu Inaba, Meijo University

Prof. Rotem Kowner, Haifa University

Prof. Olga Barbasiewich, Jagelonian University.

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