Einsicht

Essays and discussions on the history and impact of the Holocaust can be found in the bulletin Einsicht (Insight) published annually in the autumn by the Fritz Bauer Institute. This free magazine also includes an expansive review section, which offers an overview of new research literature. The newest edition of Einsicht is displayed at the university, older editions can be acquired at the Fritz Bauer Institute or in PDF-form on the institute’s website under: www.fritz-bauer-institut.de/en/einsicht

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The library of the Fritz Bauer Institute provides access to around 16,000 books and other media on the history and impact of the Holocaust.
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The Fritz Bauer Institute

The Fritz Bauer Institute is an independent research and educational institution focusing on contemporary history from an interdisciplinary perspective. It was established in 1995 by the State of Hesse, the City of Frankfurt am Main, and the Friends’ Association Fritz Bauer Institute. The institute investigates and documents the history of Nazi mass crimes – especially the Holocaust – and their aftermath into the present day. A core part of its activities concerns the dissemination of pertinent German and international research through publications, lectures, and exhibitions.

Since its foundation, teachers delegated to the Fritz Bauer Institute by the Hessian Ministry of Culture have dedicated themselves to disseminating the history and impact of the Holocaust, National Socialism, and Jewish history as well as contemporary Jewish life. The institute offers further training for teachers, workshops, and study days (at schools and in youth and adult education centres) as well as educational materials and consultation.

For more information on the Institute, please visit: www.fritz-bauer-institut.de/en

Fritz Bauer

The institute’s namesake is the legal scholar Fritz Bauer (1903–1968), who fought for the criminal prosecution of Nazi crimes in the German Federal Republic in the 1950s and 1960s. Appointed Prosecutor General of Hesse in 1956, Bauer instigated among other things the Frankfurt Auschwitz trial (1963–1965). He was also an important contributor to the capture of Adolf Eichmann, who had organised the death transports heading to extermination camps and who was subsequently put on trial in Jerusalem in 1961. Bauer gave the Mossad, the Israeli intelligence service, the decisive tipoff to Eichmann’s whereabouts in Argentina.

Bauer himself had been dismissed from his position as Circuit Judge under National Socialism and persecuted as a Jew and a social democrat. In 1936, he left Germany, going into exile in Scandinavia. After the end of the war, he returned and henceforth dedicated himself to the German self-confrontation with the history of National Socialism.

For more information on Fritz Bauer, please visit: www.fritz-bauer-institut.de/en/fritz-bauer

Events

The Fritz Bauer Institute organises regular public events during academic term times, to which you are cordially invited. These include lectures, discussions, and book presentations on the history and impact of the Holocaust, which mostly take place on Wednesdays (6pm – 8pm). You can find the programme under: www.fritz-bauer-institut.de/en/events

Professorship

The Fritz Bauer Institute has been associated with the Goethe University of Frankfurt am Main since 2000. The institute’s connection to the university was consolidated in 2017, when the Chair for Research on the History and Impact of the Holocaust was established and attached to the History Department of the Goethe University. This is the first professorship dedicated to this topic in the German Federal Republic. The chair holder Prof. Dr. Sybille Steinbacher is concurrently the director of the Fritz Bauer Institute.

For more information on the professorship, please visit: www.fritz-bauer-institut.de/en/chair