

Information on the Move: Networks between Australia and Europe during the Holocaust

Associate Professor Jan Láníček, UNSW Sydney HRC Visiting Fellow Approximately 9,000 Jewish migrants reached Australia during the refugee crisis in the 1930s. The outbreak of the Second World War in September 1939 led to family separations between Jewish refugees who arrived in Australia, and their family member who stayed behind in Nazi-controlled Europe.

Despite the claims that the war severed all information routes between both continents and the migrants remained unaware about the fate of their families during the war, the paper will argue that the refugees actively and successfully explored various networks to stay connected with their loved ones and receive information about the progress of the Nazi persecution.

By focusing on personal connections between the Australian population and the Holocaust, the paper contributes to the debates on the movement of people and information, as well as Jewish resistance during WW2.

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