Fact Sheet

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Mission:

To encourage activities on Holocaust education, remembrance, and research in member countries and in other interested countries.

Member Countries:

Argentina, Austria, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Lithuania, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Sweden, United Kingdom, United States

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Delegations:

Delegations of member states include representatives of government and of governmental and nongovernmental organizations (e.g. Yad Vashem—The Holocaust Martyrs' and Heroes' Remembrance Authority, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Association of Holocaust Organizations, Topography of Terror Foundation, Goethe-Institut, Anne Frank Foundation, State Museum of the KL Auschwitz-Birkenau, ministries of education, universities and related institutions); Fondazione Centro di Documentazione Ebraica Contemporanea.

Liaison Project Countries:

Argentina, Croatia, Hungary, Latvia, Romania, Slovakia, Ukraine

Task Force Fund: Annual contributions of \$25,000 per member state, primarily for activities in the framework of liaison projects

Working Groups:

Academic Working Group (Chair: Juliane Wetzel) Education Working Group (Chair: Paul Salmons) Information Working Group (Chair: Michelle Gross) Memorials Working Group (Chair: Teresa Swiebocka, Heidemarie Uhl) Task Force Fund Working Group (Chair: Sweden) Working Group Argentina (Chair: United States) Working Group Croatia (Chair: United States) Working Group Estonia (Chair: Sweden) Working Group Estonia (Chair: Israel) Working Group Latvia (Chair: Sweden) Working Group Romania (Chair: Israel - France) Working Group Slovakia (Chair: Germany) Working Group Ukraine (Chair: Austria – United Kingdom)

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