

Technology in the Service of Remembrance:

Yad Vashem's Search for the Six Million Victims' Names

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Online conference by **Dr. Haim Gertner**

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During the Holocaust, the Nazis strived to erase the Jewish People from the face of the earth. It is our moral duty to respect the last behest of the victims and remember them. Yad Vashem, together with its partners, has collected and recorded the names and biographical details of millions of victims of systematic anti-Jewish persecution during the Shoah. Today, Yad Vashem's online Central Database of Shoah Victims' Names, available in six languages, contains more than 4,800,000 individual victim names, based on the vast Yad Vashem archival collections, that contain today more than 220 million pages of documentation. Yad Vashem's goal is to recover, to the greatest extent possible, the names and reconstruct the life stories of each individual victim of the Shoah.

As memories fade or are lost with the passage of time, this task is more challenging than ever, but Yad Vashem employs advanced technological solutions and dedicated staff to scour the millions of pieces of documentation in its collections to identify additional records of Shoah victims' names.

During 2020 Yad Vashem launched a new phase of this project and developed the technology to identify records of like individuals and combine them into one "Personal File". Yad Vashem is now offering the public the option of identifying multiple entries in order to help streamline the process of creating these virtual personal files. The presentation will share the way Yad Vashem is using technology in the service of remembrance.

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