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Public lecture with

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Escaping Nuremberg: How Nazi Perpetrators Fled Justice

21 September at 15:15–17:00, Aula, Main University Building

After World War II, rumors circulated that a secret organization “Odessa” had smuggled Nazi war criminals out of Europe. But “Odessa” was mostly a myth. Historian Gerald Steinacher provides the true story of how many Nazis fled from Europe, highlighting the key roles played by the Red Cross, the Vatican, and the Secret Services of the major powers. The book takes a hard look at these groups and the role they played in making it possible for thousands of Nazis, war criminals, and collaborators to slip through the hands of Nuremberg justice and find refuge.

Gerald J. Steinacher is the James A. Rawley Professor of History at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Steinacher has held several distinguished research fellowships and visiting professorships, including at the Center for European Studies at Harvard University and the Vienna Wiesenthal Institute for Holocaust Studies.