

## Presentation of the Oral History Database “Final Account”

Join us for the joint online Opening of the Access to the archival Oral History Database “Final Account” at the Vienna Wiesenthal Institute for Holocaust Studies (VWI) and the Freie Universität Berlin (FUB), 12 May 2025, 15–16:30 CET



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The Final Account archive contains life story interviews with men and women in several countries, including Germany, Austria, France, the Netherlands, Belgium, Paraguay, Argentina, Romania, Spain, and Ukraine, about their memories of, and involvement in, the so-called ‘Third Reich’, the Holocaust, and World War II. It consists of 295 filmed interviews, around 500 hours, with 274 elderly men and women born between 1905 and 1934, mostly Germans and Austrians, who occupied a range of positions on a wide spectrum of complicity. The collection was created by Luke Holland between 2008 and 2017. Since 2022, researchers have been able to access the collection at UCL and The Wiener Holocaust Library in the UK, and at the Institut national de l’audiovisuel in France.

Final Account – Third Reich Testimonies is an archival project initiated and directed by Luke Holland (ZEF Productions Ltd.) in association with [University College London](#), the [Wiener Holocaust Library](#), the [Institut national de l’audiovisuel](#) (France) and Founding Partners, [Pears Foundation](#).

The VWI and the FUB are happy to announce that “Final Account” is now accessible at their respective premises.

**Program of the launching event:**

- The Final Account collection and its context (Stefanie Rauch, Wiener Holocaust Library, Robert de Blauwe, Institut national de l'audiovisuel, and Zoltán Kékesi, University College London)
- Access modalities of the Final Account collection at the VWI and the FUB and relation to other in-house collections and databases (Sandra Weiss, VWI, and Verena Lucia Nägel, FUB)
- Q&A

The event will be chaired by Jochen Böhrer, director of the VWI

**Link to join the event:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89822511964>

*Please note: The database can only be used on site. For further information please visit:*

- <https://www.ucl.ac.uk/library/collections/ucl-digital-collections/browse-collections/final-account-third-reich-testimonies>
- [https://www.fu-berlin.de/sites/interviewsammlungen/final\\_account/index.htm](https://www.fu-berlin.de/sites/interviewsammlungen/final_account/index.htm)
- <https://www.vwi.ac.at/index.php/en/documentation/archive>