Jewish forced labour and the Holocaust in Eastern Galicia

Rough timeline in keywords

09/1939 **Poland**: Occupation. Hitler-Stalin Pact. *Generalgouvernement*

06-08/1941 **Soviet Union**: attack on SU. Pogroms. Mass murders by task forces (*Einsatzgruppen*)

Foundation of Galicia District. Compulsory work for Jews.

10-12/1941 Transition to Final Solution ("Endlösung")

Forced Labor Camps (ZAL) at Thoroughfare IV (DG IV). Reemployment of irreplaceable Jews in factories. Mass shootings of old people, sick people, children

Construction of extermination camp Bełżec

01-05/1942 Start of the Final Solution

Wannsee Conference

Ghetto formation: closure, "Aktionen" for gradual reduction

Deportations to Bełżec

"ABC registration": disabled persons ("C") permitted to be destroyed

06-12/1942 Main extermination

"Jewish Labor Deployment" only in competence of the SS

Himmler: Murder of all Galician Jews by the end of the year!

Barracking of Jewish forced labourers; Jews only in factories important for the war

Issue of "R" and "W" armbands. Liquidation of many forced labor camps (ZALs)

Mass deportations to Bełżec

02-08/1943 General liquidation

Liquidation of the ghettos and further forced labor camps

"Katzmann Report" (06/43): Galicia "free of Jews" except for 21 forced labor camps

Liquidation of ZALs at DG IV; sudden withdrawal of Jews also in "R" companies

10/43-03/44 Ongoing liquidations of work squads, camps and prisoners

Hunting for hidden Jews

04-07/1944 Eviction

Transports from last ZALs to Plaszów and Auschwitz

"R" Rüstung = armament

"W" Wehrmacht = armed forces

ZAL Zwangsarbeitslager = forced labor camp