

Aim 3: What were some  
Jewish Responses to  
treatment by Europeans  
during the 19<sup>th</sup> Century  
(1800's)?

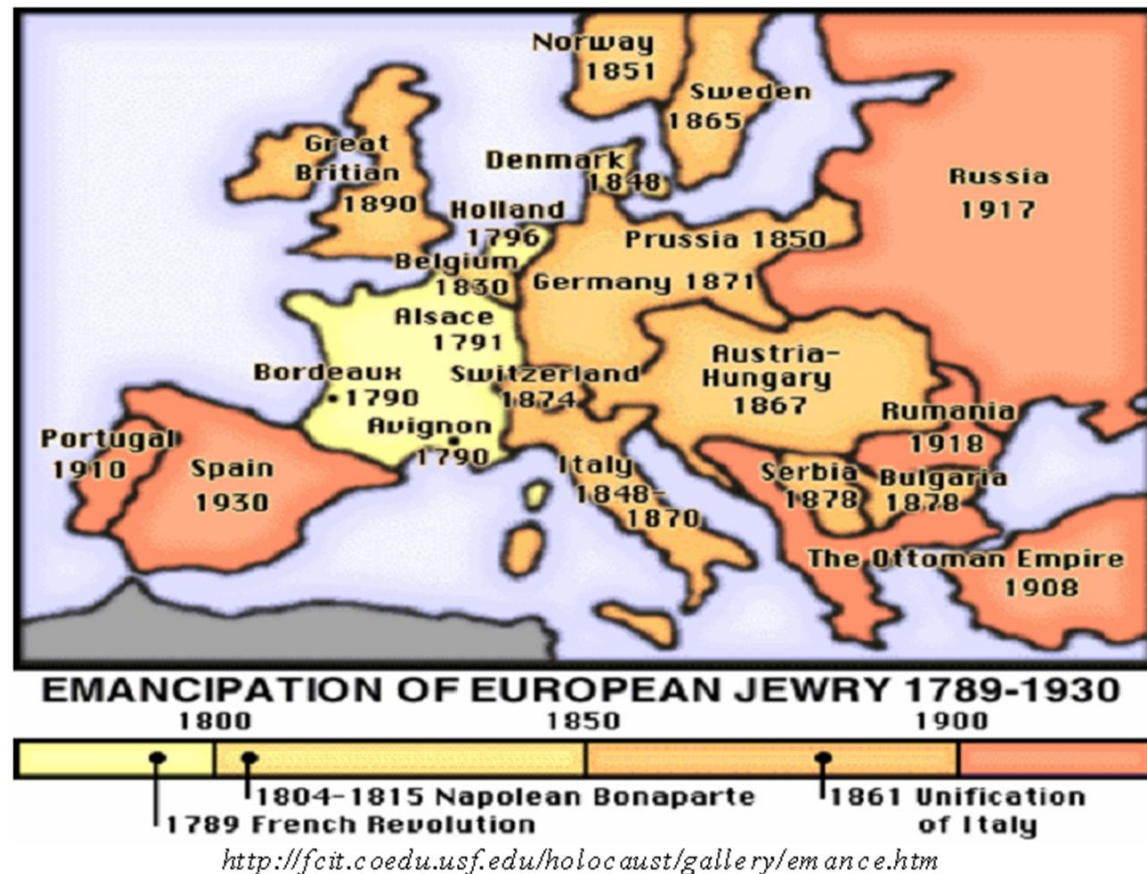
# I. Treatment by Europeans

## A. Western Europe

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## Dual Allegiances?

“Where is that second homeland which calls us to its defense? To claim that our forefathers came here thousands or hundreds of years ago is an inhuman and tasteless charge. We did not come; we were born here and we have no claim to any other homeland. If we are not Germans then we have no homeland.”

--- Gabriel Reisser

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Then Haman said to King Ahashveirosh: There is a certain people scattered and dispersed among the peoples in all the states of your realm. Their laws are different from every other people's. They do not observe the King's laws; for the King, it is not befitting to tolerate them.



# Depiction of Jews in Germany and France



*The Jew as a snake, strangling Germany and Christendom.*





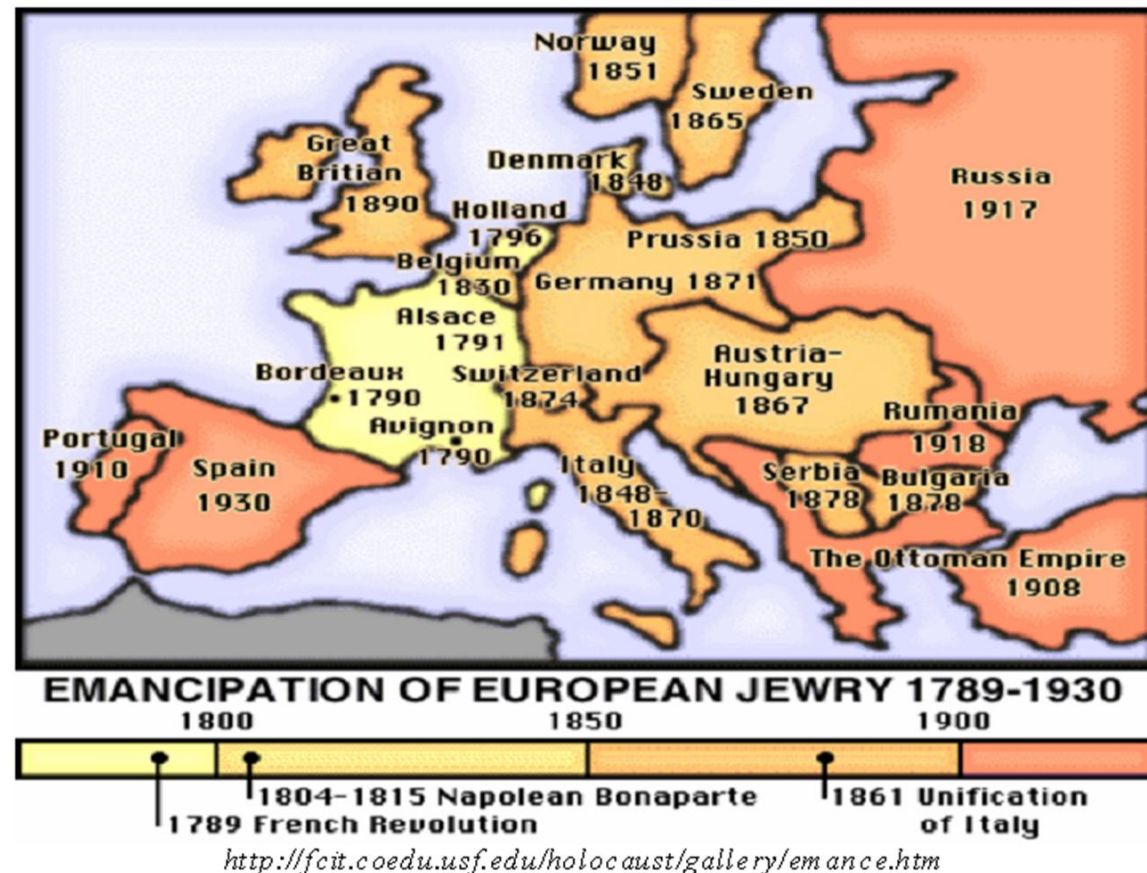
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## B. Eastern Europe

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## 4. Pogroms

“After Tsar and vodka, *pogrom* may well be the Russian word most widely understood and used by non-Russians.”

Pogroms 1871 - 1921





## II. Responses by Eastern Europeans

A. Rabbi Zvi Hirsch Kalischer ( East Prussia ) 1795–1874

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"Pay no heed to the traditional view that the Messiah will suddenly loose a blast on the Great Shofar and cause all the inhabitants of the earth to tremble. On the contrary, the Redemption will begin with the generating of support among philanthropists and with the gaining of the consent of the nations to the gathering of the scattered of Israel into the Holy Land."

- Rabbi Zvi Hirsch Kalischer



"Let us take to heart the examples of the Italians, Poles and Hungarians. . . All the other peoples have striven only for the sake of their national honor. How much more should we exert ourselves, for our duty is to labor . . . for the glory of God Who chose Zion!"

## II. Responses by Eastern Europeans cont.

### A. Rabbi Alkali ( 1798-1878) - born in Sarajevo, Bosnia

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"It is written in the Bible: 'Return, O Lord, unto the tens of thousands of the families of Israel.' . . . [But] upon what should the Divine Presence rest? On sticks and stones? Therefore, as the initial stage in the redemption of our souls, we must cause at least 22,000 to return to the Holy Land. This is the necessary precondition for a descent of the Divine Presence among us; afterward, He will grant us and all Israel addition His favor."

-Rabbi Judah Alkalai, *Minchat*

