

## Germany

- 1886: Chancellor Bismarck orders the competent authorities to expel all foreign Romani communities to rid the area of the “*Gypsy scourge*”.
- **1899: Police Headquarters for Information and Surveillance of Romani communities established in Munich.**
- 1904: Dr. Ploetz founds the Archives of Race Theory and Social Biology.
- 1905: Alfred Dillman publishes *Zigeuner-Buch* against the “*Gypsy scourge*”.
- 1905: Dr. Ploetz founds the German Society of Racial Hygiene.
- 1923: During imprisonment in Landsberg, Hitler reads the second edition of the Bauer-Fischer-Lenz manual, *The Principles of Human Heredity and Racial Hygiene* and introduces the racial idea into his book, *Mein Kampf* (English: **My Struggle**).
- 1931 January: the General Student Committee or AstA of the University of Erlangen, dominated by the National Socialists, “makes a request to the Ministry of Culture for the creation of a Chair of Racial Investigation, Racial Science, Racial Hygiene and Genetics.
- 1932 July 2. A committee of the Prussian State Health Council advises and recommends that a law on sterilization be brought in under the title: "Eugenics in the Service of Public Welfare." The law was to permit the 'voluntary' sterilization of the same groups of persons (with the exception of alcoholics) who were added in the law of 14 July 1933.

## Italy

- 1856: Cesare Lombroso publishes *L'uomo delinquente*
- **1926: Various directives are issued by the Ministry of the Interior to Prefects and Police commissioners concerning “the Gypsies”, dictated by virtue of “public safety and public hygiene”.**

## Other European countries

- 1855: France, J. A. de Gobineau publishes *An Essay of the Inequality of the Human Races*.
- 1872-99: The Roma are expelled from Belgium, Germany and Denmark.
- **1912: France, the Clemenceau Government passes *Anthropometric Bill against Membres des Tsiganes (Gypsy Families)*.**
- 1926: Switzerland, the Swiss government approves a project set by the Children’s Charity *Pro Juventute* intended to eliminate vagrancy entitled *Children of the Road*.