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In October 2019 the IPN is awarding the "Semper Fidelis" Prize for the first time

We will honour persons, institutions and organizations commemorating the heritage of the Polish Eastern Borderlands both at home and abroad.

The winners will be selected by the Prize Committee, headed by the President of the Institute of National Remembrance. The honorary distinction will be annually awarded to individuals, institutions and social organizations whose public activity coincides with the statutory objectives of the IPN, for a particularly active participation in commemorating the heritage of the Polish Eastern Borderlands in the Republic of Poland and abroad. The committee also may award one post-mortem prize each year.

The prize has also got an educational value. It will help to disseminate knowledge about what Poland lost after 1945. And the loss was huge. The relics of the former Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth, the source of our identity, tradition and culture, remained on the Borderlands. Persons devoted to saving these mementos, restoring and preserving

the memory of the history of these lands, deserve special recognition and gratitude on the part of present and future generations of Poles.

The candidates may be nominated until 15 September 2019 after completing the application form available at the IPN's website and after sending the application to the address of the Office for Commemorating the Struggle and Martyrdom of the IPN via traditional mail (Office for Commemorating the Struggle and Martyrdom, IPN, Wołoska 7 , 02-675 Warsaw/Poland) or via electronic mail: semperfidelis@ipn.gov.pl

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