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The opening of the "Vertriebene 1939. Deportationen von polnischen Bürgern aus den ins Dritte Reich eingegliederten Gebieten" exhibition on deportations of Polish citizens from the areas incorporated into the Third Reich", Frankfurt 29 October 2019





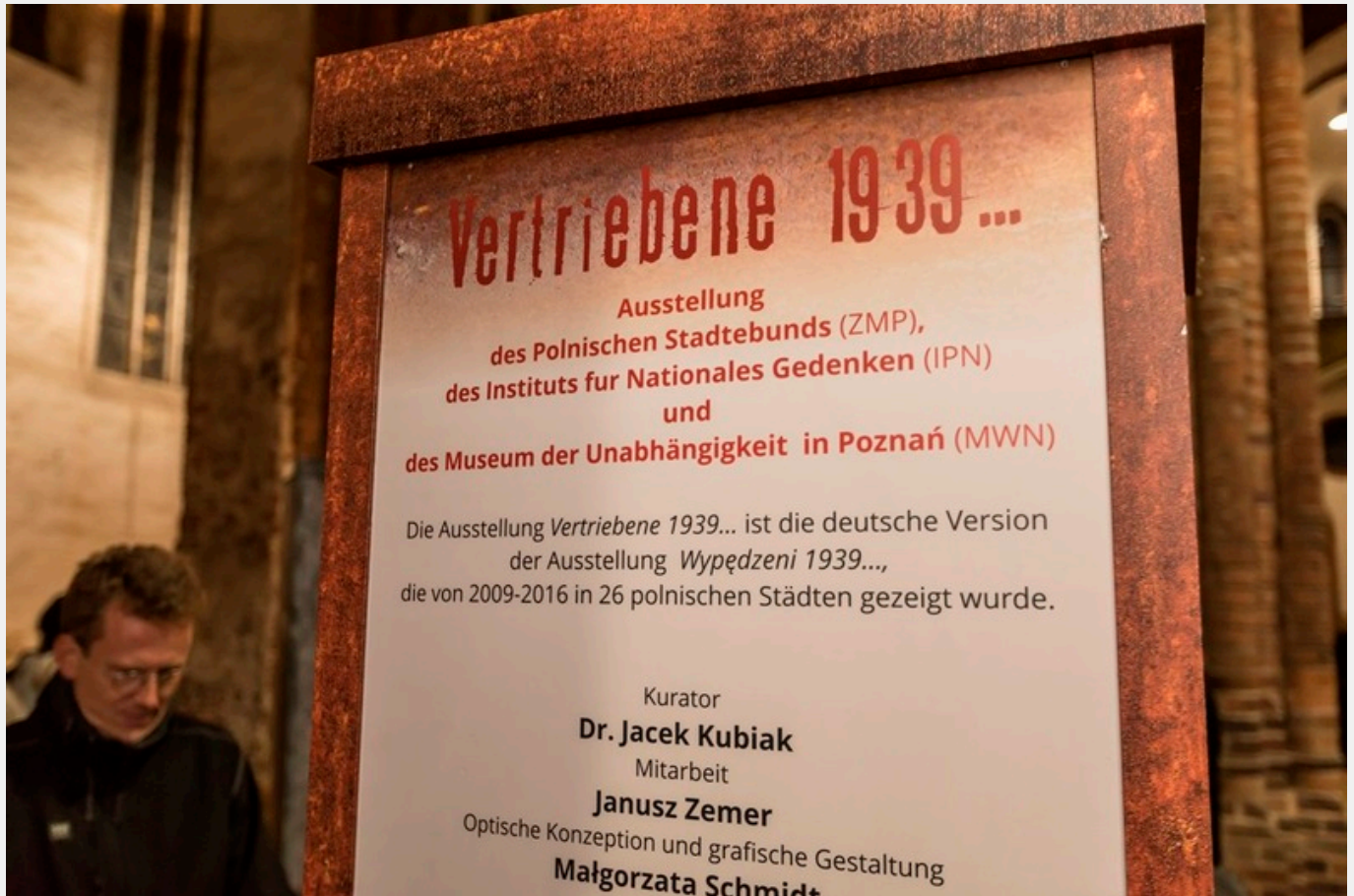












The Institute of National Remembrance and the Association of Polish Cities presented the exhibition "Vertriebene 1939. Deportationen von polnischen Bürgern aus den ins Dritte Reich eingegliederten Gebieten" in the Marienkirche in Frankfurt (Oder). The opening of the exhibition took place on 29 October 2019. During the ceremony, the Institute of National Remembrance was represented by the Head of the IPN's Office for the Commemoration of Struggle and Martyrdom in Poznań, Wojciech Chałupka. The opening of the exhibition was accompanied by a lecture by Dr Jacek Kubiak – the exhibition's curator.

The exhibition focuses on the deportation of Polish citizens from areas incorporated into the Third Reich. Large boards depict the various stages of the policy pursued by the German occupier. Several hundred photographs, posters and documents collected in Polish and German

archives document not only the deportations of people forced to leave their homes but also their later fate. Moreover, it shows the broader context of the policy pursued by Germany under the Lebensraum and Generalplan Ost, in the circumstances of terror inflicted upon Poles and Jews on these areas. The exhibition aims to draw attention to the role of the Hitler-Stalin Pact in the policy towards the Polish and Jewish population, as well as the resettlement of the so-called ethnic Germans from Soviet territories, settled in occupied Poland as part of the "Heim ins Reich" (Return to the Reich) campaign.

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