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International Conference Between Ideology and Social Engineering. The issue of National Minorities in politics of the Communist Regime (Polish and Central European experience) - Szczecin, 27–28 September 2012

### Międzynarodowa konferencja naukowa

Szczecin, 27-28 września 2012 r. Hotel PARK, ul. Plantowa 1



Mniejszości narodowe w polityce władz komunistycznych 1944-1989 (doświadczenie polskie i środkowoeuropejskie).





























Patronat Medialny

As a part of the central research program "The Security Apparatus versus National Minorities", the Public Education Office of the Institute of National Remembrance organized international conference entitled "Between Ideology and Social Engineering. The issue of National Minorities in politics of the Communist Regime (Polish and Central European experience)". The conference was held in 27–28 September 2012 in Szczecin.

### 27 September 2012

the conference room of the Park hotel; Szczecin, 1 Plantowa St.

opening of the academic conference - 9.00

### **SESSION I**

Cultural and political determinants of communism reception and time period in Central and Eastern Europe in the context of national issues.

Chairperson: Jarosław Syrnyk PhD

- 9:20–9:40 Professor Roman BÄCKER PhD (Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń): Models of Soviet policies on national minorities
- 9:40-10:00 Eryk KRASUCKI PhD (University of Szczecin / Institute of National Remembrance,

**Szczecin):** State anti-Semitism in Soviet Union (1945–1953)

- 10:00–10:20 Malkhaz TORIA PhD (IliaState University, Tbilisi, Georgia) Memory Project. Counter Memories and Negative Stereotypes: Roots of Ethnic conflicts in Georgia (Soviet and Post-Soviet era)
- 10:20–10:40 Jordan BAEV PhD (Center of Military History, G.S. Rakovsky National Defense College, Sofia, Bulgaria): From internationalist to nationalistic & assimilative approaches: The Zig Zags of Bulgarian policy toward the ethnic and Islamic minorities (1949–1989)
- 10:40–11:00 Éva PETRÁS PhD (Historical Archives of the Hungarian state security ABTL, Budapest, Hungary): Ethnic Slovaks and Germans as scapegoats of the national policy of the Hungarian Communist Party (MKP) after World War II
- 11:00–11:20 Professor Albina NOSKOWA PhD
  (Slavonic Institute of the Russian Academy of Sciences,
  Moscow, Russia): The problem of national minorities in the
  context of post-war regulations and the international relations
  in Central and Eastern Europe: the policy and ideology in the
  40's and 50's of the 20<sup>th</sup> century

**Discussion 11.20-12.00** 

Break 12:00-13:30

- 12:30–12:50 Professor Paul R. MAGOCSI (University of Toronto, Canada): Assimilation of Ruthenians-Ukrainians in Communist Czechoslovakia
- 12:50–13:10 Associate Professor Jan PISULIŃSKI PhD (the Institute of History at the University of Rzeszów): Polandas the country of national unity: policy premises and practice Ukrainian minority case in the years 1944–1947
- 13:10–13:30 Krzysztof TYSZKA PhD (University of Warsaw): Motifs of nationalism in the propaganda in the Peoples Republic of Poland continuity and change
- 13:30–13:50 Marcin ZAREMBA PhD (University of Warsaw / Polish Academy of Science the Institute of Political Studies): Legitimisation strategies of Polish communist authorities versus national minorities in Poland (1945–1989)
- 13:50–14:10 Associate Professor Grzegorz MOTYKA
  PhD (Polish Academy of Science the Institute of
  Political Studies, Warsaw): NKVD in the view of Ukrainian
  underground movement in Poland 1944–1947
- 14:10-14:30 Mariusz ZAJĄCZKOWSKI (Polish Academy of Science - the Institute of Political Studies, Warsaw / Institute of National Remembrance,

**Lublin):**"Ukrainian" COP (Central Labour Camp) sub-camp in Jaworzno in the light of the report produced by the captain Józef Bik's GO MBP which operated in the sub-camp from May to September 1947

Discussion 14.30-15.00 Lunch break 15:00-16:00

#### **SESSION II**

# National minorities in the periods of political turning points and crises

Chairperson: Marcin Stefaniak PhD

- 16:00–16:20 Associate Professor Roman DROZD PhD (Pomeranian University in Słupsk): Ukrainian community in Poland in the period of political crises
- 16:20–16:40 Peter JAŠEK PhD (Ústav pamäti národa, Slovakia): State Security and Hungarian Minority in the Slovakia during so called normalization (1968–1989)
- 16:40–17:00 Anna SZCZEPAŃSKA PhD (University of Szczecin): The situation of the Polish minority in Czechoslovakiain the years 1956–1968
- 17:00–17:20 Sebastian GÓRSKI (University of Wrocław) Incidents of 1956 in the milieus of Greek emigrants

- 17:20–17:40 Łukasz SOŁTYSIK (Institute of National Remembrance, Wrocław): Conflicts of Poles and Gypsies in Łuków and Kłodawa in August1976 and in Konin and Oświęcim in autumn 1981 in the context of two political and social crises in the People's Republic of Poland.
- 17:40–18:00 Helga HIRSCH PhD (Berlin, Germany): To stay or to leave? Jews in Lower Silesia and Szczecin 1945–1957

Discussion 18:00-18:30

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### **SESSION III**

Question of nationality: myth, stereotypes, political creations

Chairperson: Marcin Zaremba PhD

- 9:00–9:20 Professor Grzegorz BERENDT PhD (Gdańsk University / Institute of National Remembrance, Gdańsk) Display society. Jewish population in PRL's authority policy from 1970 to 1989
- 9:20–9:40 Przemysław GASZTOLD-SEŃ (Institute of National Remembrance, Warszawa): Power of stereotypes. Security apparatus in PRL and the issue of anti-

- 9:40–10:00 Jan OLASZEK (Institute of National Remembrance, Warszawa / Institute of History PAN):Anti-Semitism as the tool used to combat the democratic opposition in the years of 1976–1989
- 10:00–10:20 Professor Krzysztof TARKA PhD (Opole University):Communist authorities' actions against Lithuanian minority in Poland (1945–1989)
- 10:20–10:40 Piotr PIRECKI PhD (Institute of National Remembrance, Łódź): Between the truth and fabrication.

  The image of minorities in Polish prose after1945

Discussion 10.40-11.00 Break 11:00-11:20

Chairperson: Associate Professor Roman Drozd PhD

- 11:20–11:40 Krzysztof SYCHOWICZ PhD (State University of IT and Entrepreneurship in Łomża / Institute of National Remembrance, Białystok):Belarus and Lithuanian minority and the security apparatus operations in Białystok Province (1956–1970)
- 11:40–12:00 Witold BOBRYK PhD (University of Life Sciences and Humanities in Siedlce):Orthodox Churches in Podkarpacie in the policy of the Office for Religions

- 12:00–12:20 prof. dr Piotr MADAJCZYK (Instytut Studiów Politycznych PAN, Warszawa) The security apparatus and agents' activities related withGerman minority in Poland by the end of the 60's of the 20<sup>th</sup> century
- 12:20–12:40 Associate Professor Maciej HEJGER PhD (Pomeranian University in Słupsk):Anti-revisionist campaign against German communities in Poland in the 60's of the 20<sup>th</sup> century
- 12:40–13:00 Arkadiusz SŁABIG PhD (Pomeranian University in Słupsk): "Ministers of Bonn's silver coins".

  Negative image of people of German origin presented in the press under Władysław Gomułka

Discussion 13.00-13.20

Break 13:20-14:00

### **SESSION IV**

Yesterday's and today's question of nationality

Chairperson: Associate Professor Grzegorz Motyka PhD

• 14:00–14:20 Mykoła RIABCZUK PhD (Ukrayinskyi tsentr kulturnykh doslidzhen, Kiev, Ukraine): From WCzK to SBU: a continuity or a change in "anti-national" discourses and policies

- 14:20–14:40 Alexander OSIPOV PhD (European Centre for Minority Issues, Flensburg, Germany):
  Interpretations of (in)equality on ethnic ground in official policies and discourses in and after the Soviet Union
- 14:40–15:00 Professor Igor ILJUSZYN PhD (Kiev Slavonic University, Kiev, Ukraine): "Communist" and "non-communist" stereotypes about Polish Ukrainian conflicts in 20<sup>th</sup> century collective memory and social consciousness
- 15:00–15:20 Tomasz STRYJEK PhD (Polish Academy of Science the Institute of Political Studies, Warsaw):

  Bleiburg Jasenovac controversy. Disputes about recollections of Croatians' participation in the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War in communist Yugoslavia and the present-day Croatian and Serbia
- 15:20–15:40 Jarosław SYRNYK PhD (Institute of National Remembrance, Wrocław / University of Wrocław): At home? About debates on history of minorities in Poland

Discussion 15.40-16.00

Conference end around 16.00

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