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The Institute of National Remembrance New Technology Division has been awarded for "The Cyphers Game" in the 2nd edition of the Past/Future Review - Sulejówek, 27 August 2022









The **Past/Future Review** is a series of events and initiatives

promoting Polish history. This year's edition took place on 26-28 August 2022, and was organized at the Jozef Pilsudski Museum in Sulejówek by the **Janusz Kurtyka Foundation**.

The Institute of National Remembrance received a prestigious award in the "Innovative Forms of Historical Education" category for its "Cyphers Game" project. The award was received by Adrianna Paradowska, the Deputy Director of the New Technology Division.

The purpose of the competition is to distinguish the best initiatives related to the promotion and commemoration of Polish history.

The awards were presented in 5 categories:

- Innovative Forms of Historical Education to honor initiatives promoting Polish history through non-standard methods of education, adapted to the needs of the contemporary recipient winner: the IPN "Cyphers Game" gaming project
- **Local Commemoration** to honor initiatives, such as plaques, monuments, signposts, tombstones commemorating Polish history and heroes winner: Magdalena Szczepanska, "Save from Oblivion" association in Brzeziny
- "Book Keepers" to honor those initiatives of booksellers, antiquarians, librarians and publishers which contribute to the promotion or commemoration of Polish history (bookstores, antique stores, libraries, publishing houses) winner: the Association for the Commemoration of Victims of Crimes of Ukrainian Nationalists
- Public diplomacy and concern for the good name of Poland

abroad – to honor initiatives promoting Polish history abroad - winner: the Museum-Memorial of General Maczek in Breda

- **The Polish Community and Poles Abroad** - winner: Aleksandra Ziolkowska-Boehm, Ph.D.

Karol Nawrocki, Ph.D., the President of the Institute of National Remembrance, pointed out the profound message the name of the event carries:

The title of this review shows how important the past is and that history not only determines our identity, but also our future. (...) I also feel obliged to say a few words about the Foundation's patron, the late Janusz Kurtyka, who was my predecessor. This is a man whom I did not have the opportunity to meet in person, but who has accompanied me throughout my professional life. (...) He once said that the Institute of National Remembrance does not verify history, but that it studies it and that the Institute of National Remembrance has

Speaking about the achievements and historical sensitivity of Prof. Janusz Kurtyka, President Nawrocki stressed that the IPN is in possesion of over 93 kilometers of files, thanks to which the work of all the Institute's offices is possible. We are also going further and further, looking for new ways to talk about the past and to nurture the memory of our heroes.

the courage to talk about history as it really was.

The Janusz Kurtyka Award is a multifunctional project created to promote the best books by Polish historians, translated into foreign languages as part of the award, worldwide. The Foundation's goal is to expand language accessibility and promote exceptional historical books published on the domestic market.

One of the laureates the "Friends of the Foundation" award was Filip Musiał, Ph.D. - Director of the Cracow Branch of the Institute of National Remembrance and the The Museum of Cursed Soldiers and Political Prisoners of the Polish People's Republic.

About the Foundation:

The Janusz Kurtyka Foundation was created in 2016 to promote Poland and its history both at home and abroad. Its aim is to uphold Poland's good reputation and to support its national and civic tradition as well as to foster patriotic attitudes among its citizens. Another important aspect of the activities of the Foundation is to cherish and preserve the legacy its Patron.

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