

Invitation

The Institute of Neophilology - The Department of International Relations of the State School of Higher Education in Chelm, Nadbużański Department of Border Guard in Chelm, the Institute of History of the Maria Curie – Skłodowska University in Lublin, the Institute of Political Sciences and International Affairs of the Catholic University in Lublin are proud to invite you to the international, interdisciplinary scientific conference

"75 ANNIVERSARY OF THE OUTBREAK OF WORLD WAR II: GENESIS - THE COURSE OF WAR - THE CONSEQUENCES "

held on:

24 - 27 SEPTEMBER 2014 IN CHELM

World War II is by far the most tragic, event in the history of mankind. This is a hecatomb, which in an unprecedented way shook the foundations of human culture. Postwar generations live in its shadow, and are still trying more or less to return to the spiritual balance and the principles of humanity before "the time of contempt." Therefore, studying the history of the Great War is by all means important and necessary. Currently, the studies become more and more interdisciplinary, because this issue does not only absorb historians, but also lawyers, political scientists, philologists, cultural theorists, philosophers.

This year marks the 75th anniversary of the outbreak of World War II, which undoubtedly leads to a deeper reflection on the origins of the war, its course, and especially its consequences. The aim of the conference is to present the latest findings in this field from the interdisciplinary perspective. We expect speeches of historians, lawyers, political scientists, philologists, cultural experts, philosophers.

The Subject of the conference, when it comes to the origins of World War II will include issues such as: the breakdown of the Versailles system in the thirties of XX century, policy of Nazi Germany in the thirties of XX century, the importance of German - Italian alliance (the Anti Comintern Pact); policy of Western European countries (Great Britain, France) in the thirties of XX century, policy of the Soviet Union in the thirties of XX century, activity of the Polish Republic in the thirties of XX century. The subject of the discussion concerning the course of the Great War, will include such issues as: the first phase of the war (German- Soviet alliance and its implementation: 1939-1941), the second phase of the war: the years 1941-1945 (formation of the Grand Coalition; the course of German - Soviet war in 1941 - 1945, the role of Britain in World War II, the U.S. participation in World War II (the war with Japan in the Far East), the Polish state and people during World War II. On the other hand, the subject of analysis dealing with the consequences will include primarily issues such as: the scale of World War II and its specificity; concepts of world order after the end of World War II (American, Soviet, British, other concepts), the role of the United Nations for the postwar order, including the legal order; emergence of the bipolar balance of power in the world - the consequences for Europe and the world, legal, economic and political consequences of World War II for the Polish state and people. When pointing to the consequences of World War II, the process of unification of Western Europe, resulting in the creation of the European Union and its importance in the modern world should also be mentioned. Changes in the functioning of the international legal system, in particular in the field of human rights protection, as well as the development of research on propaganda and communication, social and political were also the result of the Second World War.

Registration forms and titles of presentations along with a brief summary (100-150 words) should be sent until 31 May 2014 by email to: azareba@pwsz.chelm.pl. The articles should be sent by email to: azareba@pwsz.chelm.pl until 30 September 2014. Further information on the editorial requirements will be published in a forthcoming announcement.

The organizers provide accommodation, meals, tour, certificate of participation in the conference. The conference language is Polish, and its lasting effect will be a monographic publication.

The organizers are planning a trip to Wytyczno, where on 1 October 1939 the battle between the troops of the Border Protection Corps, commanded by General Wilhelm Orlik - Rückemanna and 45 Soviet Rifle Division took place.

Filling in a registration form and sending it to the e-mail address: Agnieszka Zareba azareba@pwsz.chelm.pl is required to participate in the conference. The next step is paying the registration fee of 200 zł, PhD students - 100 zł. The details will be sent in the next announcement after collecting registrations.

Yours Sincerely,

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