

# The 2014 Joseph Conrad Conference at the Jagiellonian University

to mark the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Joseph Conrad's return visit to Cracow in 1914 and the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his death in 1924 - and also the 650<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the Jagiellonian University in 1364

## “Polskie zmagania z Conradem” “Poland and the Conrad problem”



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W KRAKOWIE

Kraków  
Collegium Maius, The Michał Bobrzyński Room  
ul. Jagiellońska 15

28<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> September 2014

### Organizers:

The Jagiellonian University Joseph Conrad Research Centre and  
The Joseph Conrad Society (Poland)



### Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2014

Sala im. Michała Bobrzyńskiego / The Michał Bobrzyński Room  
The Collegium Maius,  
ul. Jagiellońska 15 / 15, Jagiellońska Street

#### 10.00 – 13.30 Opening Session

The Rector of the Jagiellonian University: Welcoming Address

The Dean of the Faculty of Polish Language and Literature: Welcoming Address

The Director of the Jagiellonian University Joseph Conrad Research Centre: Opening Address

**Agnieszka Adamowicz-Pośpiech**, The University of Silesia in Katowice, Poland:  
Conrad's Visit to Cracow under Polish Eyes.

**Agata Kowol**, The Jagiellonian University, Poland: 'Oh, I hope he won't talk!' – Confronting the Other in "Amy Foster"

**Andrzej Juszczyszyn**, The Jagiellonian University, Poland:

Między porządkiem a anarchią – utopijne elementy w powieściach politycznych Josepha Conrada. (Between order and anarchy – utopian elements in the political novels of Joseph Conrad)

#### Discussion

11.40 - 12.00 Morning tea / coffee (at the cost of the organizers)

**Olena Tkachuk**, The Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, Ukraine: The concept of the gentleman in the works of Joseph Conrad.

**Brendan Kavanagh**, University of Cambridge, U.K.: Invigorating electric belts: The Ghosting of Vibration in 'The Secret Agent'.

#### Discussion

14.00 - 15.30 Break for lunch.

#### 15.30 - 18.00 Session 2:

**Anna Szczepan-Wojnarska**, The Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University, Warsaw, Poland: „There is a ray of sun in whatever he says”: Hope management in Conrad's prose according to Rafał Bluth's interpretation.

**Wiesław Ratajczak**, The Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań, Poland: Leszek Prorok wśród sukcesorów Conrada. (Leszek Prorok as one of Conrad's successors)

**Monika Malessa Drohomirecka**, The Jagiellonian University, Poland:  
Obraz kobiet w prozie Conrada - historia Winnie Verloc. (The image of women in Conrad's prose – the case of Winnie Verloc).

#### Discussion

17.00 Afternoon tea / coffee (at the cost of the organizers)

### Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2014

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#### 10.00 – 13.30 Session 3:

**Marek Pacukiewicz**, Uniwersytet Śląski w Katowicach / The University of Silesia in Katowice, Poland: Wspinaczka z Conradem. Wątki alpinistyczne w twórczości Jana Józefa Szczepańskiego (Climbing Mountains with Conrad: Jan Józef Szczepański's Mountaineering Stories).

**Margreta Grigorova**, St. Cyril and St. Methodius University of Veliko Turnovo, Bulgaria: Joseph Conrad w tekstowym i filmowym zwierciadle „Życia Pi” oraz „Wszystko stracone” (Joseph Conrad refracted by the Cinematic and Textual Mirror of "Life of Pi" and "All is Lost").

**Katarzyna Koćma**, The Jagiellonian University, Poland:  
Joseph Conrad's Heart of Darkness and Popular Fiction

#### Discussion

11.20 - 11.40 Morning tea / coffee (at the cost of the organizers)

**Aaron Records**, Colby-Sawyer College, New London, New Hampshire, USA:  
The Reception of Conrad in American Colleges.

**Karol Samiec**, Warsaw University, Poland:  
Conrad Stanisława Lema. Trudne powinowactwa z wyboru. (Stanisław Lem's Conrad).

#### Discussion

14.00 - 15.30 Break for lunch.

#### 15.30 – 18.00 Session 4:

**Joanna Skolik**, Opole University, Poland: Conrad under Polish Eyes, or is Conrad still "one of us"?

**Stefan Zabierowski**, Uniwersytet Śląski w Katowicach / The University of Silesia in Katowice, Poland: „Był jednym z nas”. Polska recepcja twórczości Josepha Conrada-Korzeniowskiego. ("He was one of us." The Polish Reception of Joseph Conrad.)

#### Discussion

Afternoon tea / coffee (at the cost of the organizers)

**Jolanta Dudek**, Director of the Jagiellonian University Joseph Conrad Research Centre, Poland: Closing remarks.

20.00 Dinner at the Grand Hotel, ul. Sławkowska 5/7, Sala Lustrzana (at the cost of the organizers).