

**The Second International Conference on the History of the Jews of
Częstochowa**

**“THE LIVES OF THE JEWS FROM CZĘSTOCHOWA:
1945 TO THE PRESENT”**

Under the Auspices of:

- World Society of Częstochowa Jews and Their Descendants
- Social-Cultural Association of Jews in Poland
- Institute of Political Science, Jan Długosz University, Częstochowa
- Polish Association of Political Science, Częstochowa Branch
- Institute of Art Education, Jan Długosz University, Częstochowa

SCHEDULE OF SPEAKERS

Session I: 9.30 am - 12.30 pm

- Welcome Addresses by:
 - Prof. Zygmunt Bąk, President, Jan Długosz Academy, Częstochowa
 - Sigmund A. Rolat, Chairman, World Society of Częstochowa Jews and Their Descendants, New York
- Prof. Michał Śliwa, President, Pedagogical University, Cracow
“The Judeo-Communism Stereotype in the Political Debate in Poland after 1989”
- Prof. Szewach Weiss, former Ambassador of the State of Israel to Poland
“We, the Jews: Between Israel and the Diaspora”
- Prof. Feliks Tych, Jewish Historical Institute and the Museum of the History of Polish Jews, Warsaw
“Being Liberated from Hasag”
- Prof. Jan Błuszkowski, Deputy Director, Institute of Political Science, Warsaw University
“Polish Anti-Semitism in the Light of the Research of Stereotypes in Poland”
- Prof. Regina Renz, President, Świętokrzyski University, Kielce
“My Home, My Cities and My Towns: A Picture of Jewish Life Before the Holocaust”
- Prof. Dariusz Złotkowski, Dean, Faculty of Philology and History, Jan Długosz Academy, Częstochowa
“Roots of Several Jewish Families in the Light of the 19th Century Wills”
- Prof. Tadeusz Panecki, Academy of Pedagogy, Warsaw
“Jews in the Polish Army During the Second World War “

- Father Maksymin, Ph.D., President, Hebrew Academy, Toruń
“ Dialogue between Two Great Cultures: Judaism and Christianity, and the Role of the Hebrew Academy in Toruń”
- Artur Hofman, Chairman, Social-Cultural Association of Jews in Poland
“Helping Retaining Jewish Identity as one of the Goals of the Social-Cultural Association of Jews in Poland After the WWII and in the Present”
- Prof. Sylwester Wróbel, Śląsk University, Katowice
“The Town as an Area of Social Life”
- Prof. Jerzy Sielski, Director, Institute of Political Science, Jan Długosz Academy, Częstochowa
“Political Conditions in Poland after the Second World War and National Minorities with the Example of the Jewish Community”

Lunch Break 12.30 pm - 1.30 pm

Session 2: 1.30 pm - 4.30 pm

- Prof. Jerzy Mizgalski, Ph.D., Jan Długosz Academy, Częstochowa
“The Survivors: In Search of Their Place in the Post-War Reality”
- Andrew Rajcher (Australia), Board Member, Australian Society of Polish Jews and Their Descendants (Webmaster of the www.czestochowajews.org website)
“Post-War Emigration and Identity: The Australian Experience”
- Lea Wolinetz (USA), Executive Director, World Society of Częstochowa Jews and Their Descendants
“Reflections of a 2nd Generation Daughter on a Czestochowa Citizen: Pola Segal (nee Horowicz)”
- Edward Gabriel Horowitz (Israel)
“How to Care for the Mental Health of a Child Who Has Been Kept in Isolation”
- Ada Ofir (Israel)
“This Is How My Future Life Has Started....”
- Henryk Albert, Director, Social-Cultural Association of Jews in Poland
“The Social-Cultural Association of Jews in Poland and Its Role in the Integration of the Jewish Community in Częstochowa after WWII”
- Halina Wasilewicz, Chairperson of the Częstochowa Branch, Social-Cultural Association of Jews in Poland
“My Life in Czestochowa”

- Grzegorz Kołacz, Deputy Coordinator, *“Virtual Shtetl”* Project, Museum of the History of Polish Jews, Warsaw
“Częstochowa: An Urban Shtetl?”
- **IMPORTANT!** All participants of the Jews of Częstochowa Reunion who wish to take part in the discussion following the Conference are cordially invited to do so. Speeches, papers, letters and other documents presented by all participants will be printed in the 2nd post conference book which is planned to be published soon after the conference. For more information please contact dr Jerzy Mizgalski of Jan Długosz Academy: mobile: +48 691 913 970, e-mail: mizgalski@interia.pl