

Symposium schedule

# The Polish Peasant in Europe and America – Symposium 2018

A Centennial of The Polish Peasant in Europe and America: Inspiration of  
Thomas and Znaniecki's Work for Sociological Scholarship on the  
Contemporary Globalization Processes

24th and 25th of May, Lubrański Hall, Coll. Minus UAM, Wieniawskiego 1 str., Poznań

**Organized by:**

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**First Day: 24th of May**

- 09.00 – 10.00 Registration  
10.00 – 10.30 Press briefing  
10.30 – 10.50 Symposium opening  
10.50 – 11.00 Technical break  
11.00 – 12.00 Lecture: **Michael Burawoy (University of California, Berkeley; USA)** – *A Century of Ethnography - Celebrating the Global Imagination of The Polish Peasant*  
12.00 – 12.30 Discussion  
12.30 – 12.45 Coffee break  
12.45 – 13.30 Lecture: **Mary Waters (Harvard University, Cambridge; USA)** – *Thomas and Znaniecki's Continuing Influence on the Study of 21st Century Ethnicity in the US*  
13.30 – 13.45 Discussion  
13.45 – 14.25 Presentations: **Beata Halicka (Adam Mickiewicz University, Collegium Polonicum in Słubice; Poland)** – *Written memoirs of settlers in North and West Poland after 1945 as source for historical and cultural research*; **Mary Patrice Erdmans (Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland; USA)** – *Locating the narrator as both the subject and object in their life stories*  
14.25 – 14.45 Discussion  
14.45 – 15.30 Lunch  
15.30 – 16.15 Lecture: **Andrzej Przystalski (Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań; Poland)** – *Florian Znaniecki's Early Philosophical Works and the Polish Peasant*  
16.15 – 16.30 Discussion  
16.30 – 17.40 Presentations: **Marcin Grodzki (Binghamton University, New York; USA)** – *Beyond The Polish Peasant: Znaniecki's theory of the cultural evolution of human knowledge(s) and the logic behind our scientific division of labor*; **Ryszard Cichocki (Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań; Poland)** – *Concepts of moral panic as a tool to reinterpret the studies of W. I. Thomas and F. Znaniecki over the emigration of families of Polish peasants to the USA*; **Anna Sosnowska (University of Warsaw; Poland)** – *Polish Greenpoint and New York City. Gentrification, ethno-racial relations and immigrant labor market at the turn of the 21st century*; **Dorota Przaszłowicz (Jagiellonian University, Kraków; Poland)** – *Social disorganization or re-organization? Polish communities in Chicago at the beginning of the 20th century*  
17.40 – 18.10 Discussion  
18.20 – 19.00 Florian Znaniecki Society meeting

20.00 Official conference dinner – Restaurant „Pretekst”. Short Presentation during the dinner of the folk music and dance from the region by the Wielkopolska Bagpipe Ensemble.

### Second day: 25th of May

09.00 – 09.45 Lecture: **Eli Zaretsky (New School for Social Research, New York; USA)** – *The Individual and the Group in the Transition to Market Society: What do we learn from The Polish Peasant 100 years after its conception*

09.45 – 10.00 Discussion

10.00 – 10.45 Lecture: **Martin Bulmer (University of Surrey, Guildford; UK)** – *The Polish Peasant after one hundred years*

10.45 – 11.00 Discussion

11.00 – 11.40 Lectures: **Michał Nowosielski (University of Warsaw; Poland)** and **Witold Nowak (University of Warsaw; Poland)** – *How migration policies influence immigrant organizations?*; **Jakub Isański (Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań; Poland)** – *A Polish student in Europe and America. On qualitative research of Polish migrants following the Florian Znaniecki's method*

11.40 – 12.00 Discussion

12.00 – 12.20 Coffee break

12.20 – 13.00 Presentations: **Joseph C. Hermanowicz (University of Georgia, Athens; USA)** – *Change—Social and Personal: Thomas and Znaniecki's The Polish Peasant for the Study of Contemporary Change in Global Higher Education*; **Katarzyna Gmaj (Lazarski University, Warsaw; Poland)** – *Inspired by Thomas and Znaniecki. Do we observe the formation of a new Polish-Norwegian society?*

13.00 – 13.20 Discussion

13.20 – 14.05 Lecture: **Paweł Boski (University SWPS, Warsaw; Poland)** – *100 Years of Polish Peasant in Europe and America: A Document of Historical or also Contemporary Relevance?*

14.05 – 14.20 Discussion

14.20 – 15.00 Lunch

15.00 – 15.40 Presentations: **Chad Alan Goldberg (University of Wisconsin, Madison; USA)** – *The Polish Peasant as a Study of Civil Incorporation and Nation Building*; **Krzysztof Brzechczyn (Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań; Poland)** – *Between essentialism and constructivism in theory of nation. On Florian Znaniecki's concept of national consciousness*

15.40 – 16.00 Discussion

16.00 – 16.45 Lecture: **Suava Zbierski-Salameh (Haverford Institute of Public Sociology, USA-Poland)** – *The Peasant Issue and reorganization of Polish Society: Then and Now*

16.45 – 17.00 Discussion

17.00 – 17.40 Presentations: **Nataliia Pohorila (Ukrainian Catholic University, Lviv; Ukraine)** – *Ethnographic study of interests' conflict about the forests in Ukrainian Carpathian highlands*; **Katarzyna Waniek (University of Łódź; Poland)** – *Neoliberal values and personal attitudes towards one's biography – the attitude and values as the key concepts in the Polish Peasant in the context of the post 1989 changes in Poland*

17.40 – 18.00 Discussion

18.00 – 18.10 Symposium summary

18:10- 20:30: The conference closing— Bus trip from the front of the conference hall and back, to the Jankowice mansion and park, (outside of Poznan), sponsored by the Tarnowo Podgorne County Mayor and Council. A newly restored historic residence of former Polish and German nobility, it is to serve primarily the rural community of Tarnowo Podgorne, as a cultural center and a place to foster education and social cohesion.