

The University of Lodz's Faculty of Philology invites you to participate in the scientific conference:

Aleksander Gwagnin i jego kroniki (Alexander Gwagnin and his chronicles)

(Łódź, September 16–17, 2024)



Aleksander Gwagnin (1538–1614) was a soldier, writer and entrepreneur who came to the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth from Italy. He is the author of *Sarmatiae Europaeae descriptio* (1574, 1578, 1581), first offered to Henry III of France and then to Stephen Báthory, as well as the *Kronika Sarmacyjej europejskiej* (*Chronicle of European Sarmatia*, 1611) dedicated to Mikołaj Zebrzydowski and Sigismund III Vasa.

In 2021, the research team involved in preparing the edition of both Aleksander Gwagnin's chronicles obtained funding for this task from the Ministry of Education and Science as part of the interdisciplinary National Programme for the Development of the Humanities (NPRH) project No. 0209/NPRH9/H11/88/2021. Literary experts, historians, linguists, classical philologists and Polish philology specialists participate in the project.

In 2024, we will be halfway through the completion of our project. We would like to share the results of our work to date, and before finalizing our activities, we would like to listen to the voices of the domestic and foreign scientific communities in order to take into account the needs of various disciplines and research schools whenever possible.

The conference is an event accompanying the research project and is not its integral part.

We suggest the following issues:

- biography of Alexander Gwagnin
- genesis, circumstances of creation and printing of *Sarmatiae Europaeae descriptio* and the *Kronika Sarmacyjej europejskiej* (*Chronicle of European Sarmatia*)
- reprints of the Latin edition and its translations into foreign languages
- influence of *Sarmatiae Europaeae descriptio* abroad
- issues related to translating the *Kroniki Sarmacyjej europejskiej* (*Chronicle of European Sarmatia*), relation to the Latin text
- sources of both chronicles and their dependence on historiographical and other works
- compilation as Gwagnin's creative method
- reception of the chronicle (including reprints) in later centuries



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- features of the language of Latin and Polish chronicles
- a vision of the history of the Republic of Poland and the region outlined in the chronicles
- historical, geographical, political, ethnographic and other knowledge in chronicles
- Gwagnin's chronicles compared to other Polish and European chronicles
- illustrations and other publishing features of the chronicles

The conference will be held on September 16–17, 2024 in Łódź, in the Faculty of Philology's building of the University of Lodz. Please send your applications to: literatura.dawna@uni.lodz.pl. We are waiting for your applications until the end of May 2024. We will inform you about the acceptance or rejection of your application by the 15 June this year. We provide participants from abroad with the opportunity to present remotely.

The conference fee is PLN 450. It includes meals, coffee breaks and partially covers the cost of post-conference publications. The organizer does not provide accommodation for participants (it is possible to book accommodation at the University of Łódź Training and Conference Centre through the organizer for a fee).

We plan to publish the articles that receive the reviewers' approval in the monographic issue of the journal "Acta Universitatis Lodziensis. Folia Litteraria Polonica" (January 5, 2024, 40 publication points were assigned to the journal).

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