



### Call For Papers

On behalf of the organising committee, we would like to invite you to apply for participation in the international conference “Pomerania, Prussia and their neighbours throughout history”. The event is scheduled for 18-19<sup>th</sup> April 2024 and will take place at the Faculty of History of the University of Gdansk in Gdansk, Poland. The subject of the discussions will be the regional history of Pomerania and Prussia in a broad sense, as well as their affiliations with neighbouring lands.

The lands of Pomerania and Prussia, that consists of the southern coastlines of the Baltic Sea, are intertwined with common geography, nature, and have been influenced by the same civilizational spheres. At the same time, they were taken up by closely connected political bodies.

The fate of Pomerania and Prussia depended also on the neighbouring lands, both inland and on the other side of the sea. Relations ran along rivers and river-basin lines as well as sea routes. These lands remained under the influence of different cultures, were part of great empires and short-lived structures of power. The local population was affected by various migratory phenomena. Pomeranian and Prussian families had their own family connections and careers in the world. The daily life of the inhabitants of these lands was similar to that of their neighbours, although it also had its own characteristics. The local settlement network and architecture have many threads coming from other sites.

The conference panels will be organised according to indicated issues. The list of topics proposed by the organisers includes:

#### HISTORICAL GEOGRAPHY

- Significance of the environment, natural conditions (e.g. rivers, basins) for the interpersonal contacts in the past,
- Impact of topography and nature (flora and fauna) of the Baltic Sea coastlines, and their changes over time,
- Connections and unions built over Baltic Sea – including shipping and trading,

#### POLITICS

- Contact spheres of different civilizations and cultures, and the territorial scope of their influence on Pomerania and Prussia regions,
- Political ties and land divisions of Baltic Sea region,
- Short term unions and temporary authorities on the southern coast of Baltic Sea,

## SOCIETY

- Migrations and relocations in the history of Pomerania and Prussia,
- Supraregional connections and social relations maintained by population of Pomerania and Prussia,
- Presence of members of Pomeranian and Prussian noble families in the lands of other houses,
- Everyday life in Pomerania and Prussia – differences and similarities between the lands,

## STRUCTURES

- Networks, centres and outskirts – history of the settlement network of Pomerania and Prussia,
- “Baltic architecture”? – patterns and associations of buildings in the Baltic Sea region,
- The importance of language for describing the surrounding world,

In addition to our proposals for the presentation of your research and joint discussion, we also plan two special thematic panels.

### THEMATIC PANEL I - Late Medieval

- Late Medieval Art,
- Hanseatic League in the 14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> centuries,
- Late Medieval Crafts,

### THEMATIC PANEL II - Codecological

- Old books and readership in Pomerania and Prussia,
- Pomerania and Prussia in historical narrative sources,
- Scriptoria, chancelleries and scribes,

We welcome students, doctors, and young scholars of Historical, Archaeological and Art sciences and other related fields to present their research in the wide range of the conference topics. Local, regional, and cross-regional history is a wide problem area. We are open to subject and speech topics proposals. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us.

The official languages of the conference are Polish and English – speech language is selected by the presentation speaker while submitting the abstract. The conference is an in-person event, the organisers will make a selection of submitted abstracts. Estimated time of the speech is up to 20 minutes. The conference fee for speakers is 50 PLN. For international participants conference organisers are providing the accommodation in Gdansk and cover the costs of train transportation (2<sup>nd</sup> class) to and from Gdansk. There will be an issued publication of post-conference materials in both languages – guidelines for authors will be sent along with confirmation of acceptance of participation, and the finished article should be sent by 10<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

Please send the attached application form by email on: [nkhunigdansk@gmail.com](mailto:nkhunigdansk@gmail.com) titled “Conference application” by 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024.

Organisers:

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**APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION  
IN THE STUDENT-DOCTORAL CONFERENCE  
“Pomerania, Prussia and their neighbours throughout history”  
Faculty of History, University of Gdansk, 18–19<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

Name and last name, academic title or degree:

Affiliation:

Field of study/discipline:

Phone number (including international prefix number):

Email address:

Title of the presentation and language of the speech:

Abstract (up to 1000 characters with spaces):

**ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS (FOR SPEAKERS)**

Will you use the accommodation provided by the organizers? – YES / NO\*

Please indicate accommodation days: 17/18<sup>th</sup> April, 18/19<sup>th</sup> April, 19/20<sup>th</sup> April\*

Will you take advantage of the lunch provided by the organizers? – YES / NO\*

Please indicate days and meal options:

THURSDAY / THURSDAY VEGETARIAN\*

FRIDAY / FRIDAY VEGETARIAN\*

\* delete as unnecessary