

Lecture on immersive historical education at the Summer School of Recent History organized by the Institute of National Remembrance

The 17th edition of the Summer School of Recent History, organized by the Institute of National Remembrance, took place in Palczew between 5 and 9 September 2023. This year's event attracted many participants from all over Poland and abroad. They had an opportunity to take part in inspiring lectures and workshops on the results of the latest historical research.

One of the items on the agenda of this year's Summer School of Recent History was a lecture entitled "Immersive historical education". It was delivered by Magdalena Hajduk, Head of the New Technology Division of the Institute of National Remembrance, to widen the participants' knowledge of modern methods of teaching history.

During the presentation, Director Hajduk focused on how new technologies could be used in the process of historical education. She drew attention to the importance of immersive educational experience that allowed students to immerse themselves in historical realities and personally "experience" past events. She presented examples of interactive applications and games, demonstrating how technology could support teachers in creating fascinating history lessons.

The Head of the New Technology Division also emphasized the importance of learning based on historical sources and pointed to the need to promote critical thinking among young people. The aim of her speech was to inspire the participants to look for new, innovative methods of teaching history that could contribute to the effective transfer of knowledge about our cultural and national heritage to young people.

The lecture "Immersive historical education" met with great interest of the participants of the Summer School of Recent History organized by the Institute of National Remembrance. This is another sign that historical education is constantly evolving, adapting to contemporary challenges and taking advantage of the opportunities offered by modern technological tools.

The Summer School of Recent History enabled its participants not only to expand their historical knowledge, but also to establish valuable scientific contacts and present their own research to renowned experts.

In addition to Magdalena Hajduk, the lectures, seminars and discussions were also conducted by Patryk Pleskot (PhD with habilitation [Polish: dr hab.]) from the Branch Office of Historical Research in Warsaw, Piotr Majewski (PhD with habilitation) from the Historical Research Division in Warsaw, Władysław Bułhak (PhD with habilitation) from the Historical Research Division in Warsaw, Adam Dziuba (PhD with habilitation) from the Branch Office of Historical Research in Katowice, Rafał Łatka (PhD with habilitation), Joanna Lubecka (PhD) from the Branch Office of Historical Research in Cracow, Karol Graczyk (PhD) from the Historical Research Division in Warsaw, Tomasz Kozłowski (PhD) from the Historical Research Division in Warsaw, Przemysław Gasztold (PhD) from the Historical Research Division in Warsaw, Witold Bagieński (PhD) from the Archives of the Institute of National Remembrance in Warsaw, Adrianna Garnik – Director of the President's Office, Patrycja Resel from the Branch Office of Historical Research in Łódź, Paweł Wąs from the Branch Office of Historical Research in Łódź, Anna Równy from the Publishing House of the Institute of National Remembrance and Sylwia Szyk from the Historical Research Division in Warsaw.

The Institute of National Remembrance is proud to continue an initiative that contributes to the development of Poland's historiography and shapes the future of historical research. The 17th edition of the Summer School of Recent History in Palczew was another milestone in this process.