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Preface

It is with pleasure and satisfaction that we present you with the first issue of *The Exile History Review*. This annual is one of the most important ventures carried out by the History of the Polish State in Exile Research Centre of the Catholic University of Lublin (KUL), a research, coordination and popularisation centre established in 2021 at the John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, undertaking interdisciplinary research on the Polish State in exile, which functioned between 1939 and 1991.

The Exile History Review focuses on the theme of the European migration in the 20th century. Given the nature of the Centre, the editors of the EHR wish to devote special attention to issues concerning independence migration from Central and Eastern Europe during World War II and the Cold War. This topic, although present in the Polish and foreign scientific literature, still requires in-depth, multifaceted analyses, for instance with regard to the attitude of refugee groups to the socio-political situation in Europe, the infiltration of these circles by the services of communist states or the cooperation of refugee circles from individual countries. We believe that the members of international scientific community will use the pages of our annual to share the results of their research. With the desire to fill a big research gap and, at the same time, provide a forum for the exchange of ideas and the presentation of research findings on European migration in the 20th century, we invite scholars from all over the world to collaborate and publish in The Exile History Review. It is not only the historians that the invitation is addressed to; we will equally value texts discussing the issues of interest from a sociological, legal or political perspective.

Enjoy reading the inaugural volume of the annual. The first issue of *The Exile History Review* features eight articles by researchers representing Polish and foreign research centres. The *Articles* section comprises six texts. Prof. Arkadiusz Indraszczyk discussed in a multifaceted manner the history and significance of the *European Press* periodical, the press organ of the Central European Federal Youth Movement (since 1959, Central European Federalists), an organisation of federalists in exile. Dr Paweł Gotowiecki took



up – as he emphasised in the title of his article – a rather exotic problem of relations between the Polish government-in-exile and the Republic of South Maluku. Dr Martin Nekola examined the topic of Czechoslovak refugees housed in camps for displaced persons ("DPs") during the early Cold War period. Dr Kristina Burinskaitė devoted her article to the efforts of the Soviet services to infiltrate Lithuanian migrant circles. Dr Magdolna Baráth analysed the actions of János Kádár's government towards the refugees after the Hungarian Revolution of 1956. Dr István Csonta discussed the topic of post-1956 Hungarian student refugees at the Catholic University of Leuven.

The *Materials* section features a text by Prof. Rafał Łatka concerning the relationship between Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński and General Władysław Anders. The published selection of correspondence provides the background for the analysis of those relations. In the *In memoriam* section, we present a text by Dr Katalin Kádár-Lynn, who outlined the profile of György Schöpflin, a professor at universities in the UK and an active politician, a Member of the European Parliament, who passed away in autumn 2021.

We wish you good and inspiring reading.

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