

## Professor Jerzy Kłoczowski

He was born on December 29, 1924 in Bogdany near Chorzele in Przasnysz district. He passed his high school finals in 1944 in Adam Mickiewicz Gymnasium in Warsaw. In autumn 1941 he became a soldier of Związek Walki Zbrojnej and the Home Army (AK), first in the battalion and then regiment "Basztą" at the headquarters of the Home Army. He finished an officer cadet school in the Underground. He took part in the Warsaw Insurrection. Seriously wounded during the attack on "Królikarnia" on September 24-25, 1944 he lost his right arm. After being released from the POW camp in Skierniewice, he began his studies at the History Department at Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań.

Since 1950, after his studies in Poznań and at Mikołaj Kopernik University in Toruń and writing his PhD with Professor Karol Górski as a supervisor he has worked at the Catholic University of Lublin; assistant professor 1956, associate professor 1967, full professor 1974. From 1952 to 62 he was the head of the Chair of the History of the Middle Ages and Auxiliary Sciences of History and then until retiring in 1997 he was the head of the Chair of the History of Polish Culture. In addition to that, he held various posts at the University; from 1986 to 1974 he was the dean of the Faculty of Humanities at KUL. He was many times chosen the director of the Section of History. He is an educator of numerous generations of students. There are already 20 Faculty members who have attended his seminars. One of his most important achievements at KUL is the establishment of the Institute of the Historical Geography of the Church in Poland. Thanks to the researchers affiliated with this institution, research on history done at KUL became recognized and appreciated both in Poland and all over the world. The main subjects of Professor Kłoczowski's research include Polish and European medieval history, the history of Christianity in Poland and in East-Central Europe, socio-religious history and the history of Polish culture.

His scholarly achievements include over 800 publications, including dozens of books, such as (among others): *Dominikanie polscy na Śląsku w XIII-XIV wieku* [*Dominicans in Silesia in 13-14th Centuries*], Lublin, 1956; *Wspólnoty chrześcijańskie. Grupy życia wspólnego w chrześcijaństwie Zachodnim od starożytności do XV wieku* [*Christian Communities. The Groups of Common Living*

*in Western Christianity, from Ancient Times to the 15<sup>th</sup> Century*], Kraków, Znak, 1964; *Kościół w Polsce* [Church in Poland], vol. 1-2, editor and co-author, Kraków, Znak, 1969-70; *Studia nad historią dominikanów w Polsce 1222-1971* [The Studies of the History of the Dominicans in Poland 1222-1971], vol. 1-2, editor and co-author, Warszawa, 1975; *Zakony franciszkańskie w Polsce* [Franciscans Orders in Poland], vol. 1-4, editor and co-author, Kraków-Niepokalanów, 1983-2003; *Europa słowiańska w XIV-XV wieku* [Slavic Europe in 14-15<sup>th</sup> Centuries], Warszawa, PIW, 1984; *Chrześcijaństwo w Polsce* [Christianity in Poland], editor and co-author, Lublin, 1980, 1992, Italian edition - Bologna, 1980, French edition - Paris, 1987; *Żeńskie zgromadzenia zakonne 1939-1947* [Women's Orders 1939-1947], vol. 1-16, co-editor, Lublin, 1982-2003; *Zarys dziejów Kościoła w Polsce* [The Catholic Church in the World and in Poland. Historical Sketches], Kraków, Znak, 1986, Hungarian edition - Budapest, 1994; *Dzieje chrześcijaństwa polskiego* [History of Polish Christianity], vol. 1-2, Paris, Editions du Dialogue 1987-1991; *Dzieje Lubelszczyzny* [History of Lublin Region], vol. 6 *Między Wschodem i Zachodem* [Between East and West], part 1 *Kultura umysłowa* [Intellectual Culture], editor and co-author, Warszawa, PWN, 1989; *Europa Środkowo-Wschodnia w historiografii krajów regionu* [East-Central Europe in the Historiography of Countries of the Region], Lublin IEŚW, 1993, English and French edition - Lublin, 1995; *Od pustelni do wspólnoty. Grupy zakonne w wielkich religiach świata* [From Hermitage to the Community. Monastic Communities in the Great Religions of the World], Warszawa, Czytelnik, 1987; *Chrześcijaństwo i historia* [Christianity and History], Kraków, Znak, 1990; *Uniwersalizm i swoistość kultury polskiej* [Universalism and Uniqueness of Polish Culture] vol. 1-2, editor and co-author, Lublin, 1989-90; *La Pologne dans l'Eglise medievale*, Variorum, Aldershot, 1993; *Młodsza Europa. Europa Środkowo-Wschodnia w kręgu cywilizacji chrześcijańskiej średniowiecza* [Younger Europe. East-Central Europe in the Domain of Christian Civilization of the Middle Ages], Warszawa, PIW, 1998, second edition: 2003; *Unia Lubelska. Lublin miasto unii* [The Polish-Lithuanian Union. Lublin as a City of the Union], Lublin, Idea Media, 1999; *Historia Europy Środkowo-Wschodniej* [The History of East-Central Europe], vol. 1-2, editor and co-author, Lublin, IEŚW, 2000, French edition - Paris, Nouvelle Clio, PUF, 2004; *Historia chrześcijaństwa polskiego* [History of Polish Christianity], Warszawa, Świat Książki, 2000, English edition - Cambridge University Press, 2000; *Polska - Europa. Od Gniezna 1000 roku do Polski w Unii Europejskiej* [Poland - Europe. From Gniezno in 1000 to Poland in the European Union], Gdańsk, Novus Orbis, 2002, *Wspólnoty chrześcijańskie w tworzącej się Europie* [Christian Communities in Developing Europe], Poznań, W drodze, 2003; *Historia chrześcijaństwa, Religia, kultura, polityka* [A History of Christianity. Religion, Culture and Politics], editors J-M. Mayer, Ch. I L. Pietri, A. Voche, M. Venard i J. Kłoczowski, vol. 1-14, French, German, Italian and Polish editions vol. 1-14, editor, J. Kłoczowski: vol. 4: *Biskupi, mnisi, cesarze 610-1054* [Bishops, Monks and Emperors 610-1054],

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