

Preface

I. The topic of the Polish-Russian Summer School of Law and Humanities held on 2–12 July 2013 was: *Right to property - is it really inviolable?* It was organised under co-operation agreements signed in 2005 by the Adam Mickiewicz University (AMU) in Poznań, the Irkutsk State University (ISU), and Saint Petersburg State University (SPbSU). It was the seventh summer meeting of academics and students from Poland and Russia, in which, for the first time, representatives of the Russian Presidential Academy of National Economy and Public Administration of Pskov participated.

The six previous Polish-Russian Summer Schools brought together a total of 50 academics and over 200 Polish and Russian students:

- The 1st Polish-Russian Summer School of Law and Humanities was held on 10–23 July 2006 in Poznań. It was attended by 45 students and a group of academics from AMU, ISU and the Irkutsk State Linguistic University. The subject of the School was : *Poland – its history, policy and law.*
- The 2nd Polish-Russian Summer School of Law and Humanities, held between 20 July and 2 August 2008, took place in Obrzycko and Poznań, with its main subject being: *European Union – the membership of Poland, the partnership of Russia.* The participants included 32 students and a group of academics from AMU and ISU.
- The 3rd Russian-Polish Summer School of Law and Humanities was held on 18–29 August 2009 in Irkutsk and the ISU conference centre at Lake Baikal. Its subject was: *Justice in the Russian Federation and Poland: Problems of theory and practice.* The School was attended by a group of academics from the Law Institute, ISU and the Faculty of Law and Administration, AMU, and 27 Russian and Polish students.
- The 4th Polish-Russian Summer School of Law and Humanities, was held on 5 – 16 July 2010 in Obrzycko and Poznań again, and hosted, for the first time, academics and students from Saint Petersburg State University. The issues discussed comprised two thematic blocks: *Ethics and law* and *Energy law.* The School was attended by 31 students from AMU, ISU and SPbSU.
- The 5th Russian-Polish Summer School of Law and Humanities took place in Saint Petersburg between 26 June and 7 July 2011 and brought together 30 students from AMU, ISU and SPbSU to discuss: *Law and culture in the global world.*
- The 6th Russian-Polish Summer School of Law and Humanities on 20–29 Au-

gust 2012 was held, for the second time, in Irkutsk and at the ISU conference centre at Lake Baikal. The participating Russian and Polish academics together with 37 students discussed: *Trends of Private Law Development*.

II. The opening ceremony on 2 July 2013 was an excellent occasion to award Doc. Oleg Kosinsky, vice-Director of the Law Institute, ISU, with a *Medal of Merit of UAM*, for his considerable contribution to the successful development of co-operation between Irkutsk State University and Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań. The Award, proposed by the Council of the Faculty of Law and Administration, received the unanimous approval of the University's Senate on 25 February 2013.

The ceremony was attended by professors and students from universities in Irkutsk, Saint Petersburg, Togliatti, Pskov and Poznań and among the invited guests was the Consul General of the Russian Federation in Poznań, Vladimir Tkachev.

The award ceremony was accompanied by inaugural lectures delivered by: Ludwik Stomma (Professor at the Sorbonne University in Paris, a regular columnist for Polish weeklies *Polityka* and *Przegląd*) who talked about *Attitudes of the Contemporary French towards Russians*, Oleg Kosinsky who gave a talk on *Poles in Siberia*, and Valeriy Musin (Professor at the State University in Saint Petersburg, a corresponding member of the Russian Academy of Sciences and member of the OAO Gazprom's Board of Directors) who addressed the question: *How do good relations between neighbouring countries influence good business?*

On the same day, the students (representatives of five universities) met at the Citadel in Poznań to lay flowers and light candles on the graves of Russian and Polish soldiers who died for *our and your freedom*. The Consul General of the Russian Federation in Poznań was also present.

III. The 7th School of Law gathered 16 academics and 31 Polish and Russian students. Its programme was planned by a team of UAM academics, among them Prof. Leopold Moskwa (general management), Dr Jacek Wiewiorowski (scientific management) and mgr Aleksandra Rytelewska.

The programme was divided into two parts: the first one (3–8 July 2013) was organised at the Art and Rest Centre in Obrzycko. It was designed in such a way that each day there was a paper presented by an academic, an expert in property law, which was followed by 20-minute related presentations prepared by students, and the day would end with a discussion. The lead-in lectures were provided by: Prof. K. Iłski (*Church Fathers on Ownership*), Prof. M. Mataczyński (*What did the European Community Founders actually mean by saying that the Treaties shall in no way prejudice the rules in Member States governing the system of property ownership? Analysis of Article 345 TFEU*), instructor M. Mitiukova (*Некоторые вопросы ограничения права собственности при расследовании преступлений*), assistant professor A. Novikov (*Наследование по закону в Российской Федера-*

ции. Очередность призвания наследников по закону), Prof. O. Gorodov (*Доктрина исчерпания исключительного права*), Prof. N. Kirillova (*Некоторые проблемы защиты права собственности при применении мер уголовно-процессуального принуждения*), Prof. A. Gerecka-Żołyńska [*Правовые проблемы международной защиты культурных ценностей в случае вооруженного конфликта (Обязательства Республики Польша)*], Dr M. Fliieger [*The ownership concept in modern management – how to become more efficient (outsourcing viewpoint)*], Dr A. Scheibe (*Possession or Sharing – The New Rules of Property Management in Profit Making*). Apart from the strictly academic programme which was conducted in Obrzycko, there was an integration programme for the participants, which included ice breaking games, outdoor grilling, bonfire meetings, sports games, mixed-team paint-ball, Oborniki to Obrzycko canoeing, disco dancing and karaoke.

The second part of the Summer School was much more oriented towards socialising and tourism, during which the participants visited the Faculty of Law and Administration, had a sight-seeing tour in Poznań, and travelled the Piast route (Ostrów Tumski, through Ostrów Lednicki, to a skansen in Lednogóra), visited the European College in Gniezno and toured the city. There was also a day trip to three mansions that once belonged to Wielkopolska noble families in Koszuty, Kórnik and Rogalin. The 7th Summer School of Law and Humanities finished with an event at the Botanical Gardens.

IV. This publication is a collection of papers presented during the School sessions, which their authors complemented according to the conclusions drawn in the course of discussions. The papers have been divided into four thematic groups suggested by lead lectures: essence and limits of the right to property, the object of property rights, acquisition and loss of the right to property, protection of the right to property. Property *miscellanea* have been included.

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