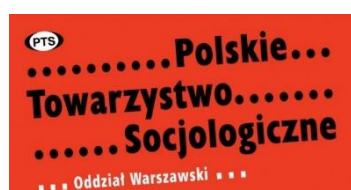




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The Human Person in view
of Contemporary Civilisational Processes

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Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to invite you to the international conference and master lectures as part of the subsequent edition of the **Social Thought Master Courses** that will be held on **March 29th and 30th 2017** at the Faculty of Historical and Social Sciences at Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University in Warsaw.

This year within the cycle entitled *The Human Person in view of Contemporary Civilisational Processes* we will search for answers to the following questions, among others: What is the nature of contemporary social processes? Are they a manifestation of a serious civilisational crisis or normal changes in the history of the world? Are we capable of reading a deeper sense of our modernity from our everyday life? Does this sense exist? We lack explicit notions to speak of the most fundamental phenomena. Sociology, like other sciences dealing with culture, seems to be in some kind of entanglement. Many theories, a multitude of paradigms and stances exist, but do we understand more through them? Is it time to escape this entanglement and shed new light on the understanding of basic notions?

We will begin the plenary session entitled *Between Culture and Civilization* on **March 29th 2017** with our key note speaker, the distinguished British scholar, **Prof. Margaret S. Archer**, who will give a master lecture. It will be the third opportunity at our University to meet with this great scholar and with the critical realism paradigm, this time in the sociology of culture. Many notable sociologists, philosophers and educators will take part in the plenary session and discussion. We invite you to actively participate at our conference which will be held in two languages, Polish and English- we provide simultaneous interpretation.

**The conference will be preceded by the ceremony of conferring the degree of
Doctor Honoris Causa on Prof. Margaret S. Archer**

On **March 30th 2017**, we sincerely invite you to the international conference entitled *Transformations of Contemporary Culture and their Social Consequences*. We invite scholars who are interested in the theory of culture and its contemporary transformations. Papers regarding culture in general or its various dimensions, expressions and problems are welcome. Besides theoretical papers, we are waiting for papers of an empirical nature, which will let us learn about different aspects of cultural practice of our time. Moreover, we are interested in ways of responding to cultural changes, especially those of agents responsible for upbringing and education. As part of the deliberations we anticipate a summarizing discussion. Its goal will be an attempt to summarize, form a typology, arrange, search for common motives, main axes of divisions and discrepancies, if not to synthesize the diverse perspectives, which will emerge from the papers. The deliberations will take place in two groups (Polish and English). The summarizing discussion with the participation of Prof. Margaret S. Archer will be held in English.



For further information please visit:

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Deadlines:

Deadline for submissions and abstracts in Polish or English: **February 26th 2017**
The registration form is available [here](#).

Acceptance notification: **February 28th 2017**

Deadline for fee transfer: **March 3rd 2017**
(the account number will be provided with the acceptance notification)

Announcement of the conference programme: **March 7th 2017**

Deadline for full papers: **April 14th 2017**
Please send your papers to the following e-mail address:
socialthoughtuksw@gmail.com

Venue:

Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University in Warsaw, ul. Wóycickiego 1/3.

Registration Fees:

Standard fee for all participants (presenting a paper): 400 PLN (90 EUR)

Reduced fee for PhD students: 200 PLN (50 EUR)
(For PhD students – scan of PhD student ID card is required.)

Conference fees are non-refundable.

Conference participants are to cover accommodation and travel expenses on their own.

Publication of chosen, positively reviewed conference papers:

1. „Uniwersyteckie Czasopismo Socjologiczne. Academic Journal of Sociology”
2. Book publication – a monograph by multiple authors



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