COMPETITION REGULATIONS
FOR THE BEST BACHELOR'S, MASTER'S, DOCTORAL AND HABILITATION THESIS DEVOTED TO THE PROBLEMS OF IDENTIFYING AND DESCRIBING THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE SECOND WORLD WAR

§ 1.

These regulations for the competition for the best Bachelor's, Master's, Doctoral, and Habilitation thesis ("Competition") determines the terms and conditions for the submission of entries to the Competition, the procedure for judging the submitted entries, and the procedure for how the Competition is run and completed.

The Competition organiser is the Jan Karski Institute for War Losses ("Institute").

§ 2.

1. The subject of the Competition is to select the best Bachelor's, Master's, Doctoral, and Habilitation thesis devoted to the subject of identifying and describing the effects of World War II in terms of losses suffered by Poland during World War II and their effects.
2. The Competition procedure applies separately to Bachelor's, Master's, Doctoral, and Habilitation theses ("thesis" or "theses").
3. Participants in the competition may be persons who have defended a Bachelor's, Master's, Doctoral, or Habilitation thesis, based on which the title of the Bachelor's, Master's, Doctoral, and Habilitation thesis was conferred within a period of not more than 5 calendar years preceding the date the competition was announced.
4. Entering the competition means that the participant accepts these regulations.
5. The Bachelor's, Master's, Doctoral, or Habilitation thesis may only be entered into the competition once.

§ 3.

1. The competition is open to entries prepared in Polish or English, and theses submitted as a Polish translation.

2. The entry should include:

   a) one copy of the thesis printed on both sides in an A4 format, typed in Times New Roman font, in a font size no smaller than 12 pts, presented in a soft cover,
   b) one copy of a printed summary of the thesis, bearing the author's full name and the title of the thesis,
   c) one copy of the thesis together with the abstract in an electronic form (two separate files in a DOC, DOCX, or PDF format) on a CD or other data carrier,
   d) for doctoral and habilitation theses, certified reviews of the thesis,
   e) a certificate issued by the authorities of the university at which the thesis was defended, containing information on the date of the thesis defence, its subject, and the name and address of the university issuing the certificate,
   f) a fully completed application form, a specimen of which is attached as Appendix 1 to these regulations, and

g) the author's declaration, a specimen of which is attached as Appendix No. 2 to these regulations.

3. The submission of an entry to the competition is tantamount to the author's consent to the entry being archived.

4. As soon as the Jury issues its decision on the winners of the competitions, the winning authors grant the Institute a non-exclusive, gratuitous, time- and territory-limited licence to use their thesis, in whole or in part, in the following fields of exploitation:

   a) recording and reproduction by any available technique, in particular, in print and digital form,
   b) incorporation into computer memory and servers and data communication networks,
   c) publication and dissemination, including by putting the thesis for sale, or by lending or renting copies,
   d) public performance, exhibition, display, reproduction and broadcasting and re-broadcasting, and
   e) making the thesis available in such a way that members of the public may access it from a place and at a time individually chosen by them.

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5. The authors of the theses transfer the ownership of the submitted copies of the thesis to the Institute without the right to remuneration, and the Institute is not obliged to return the submitted copies. The author of an entry is liable if the thesis they enter infringes third-party rights (especially copyright).

6. Neither Jury members nor their immediate family members, i.e. spouses, cohabitants, ascendants, descendants, siblings, relations by affinity in the same line and degree, or relations by adoption, may take part in the Competition.

7. Irrespective of the reasons for exclusion from participating in the Competition specified above, Jury members are obliged to exclude themselves from judging the entries if there is a circumstance that might raise a reasonable doubt as to the Jury member's impartiality in a given case.

8. In the interest of protecting the privacy of the participants in the Competition, personal data will be protected in accordance with the provisions of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation) (Official Journal of the EU L 119 of 04.05.2016), Act of 10 May 2018 on the protection of

personal data (Official Journal of the Republic of Poland, item 1000). Detailed information is available in Annex No. 5 to these Regulations.

§ 4.

1. The deadline for accepting applications is 31 May 2023.

2. An application containing all the elements referred to in § 3.2 marked "Competition for the best Bachelor's, Master's, Doctoral and Habilitation thesis" should be submitted in person or by mail to the Institute's address: ul. Tadeusza Rejtana 17, 02-516, Warsaw. The date of receipt of the application by the Institute is decisive.

3. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

4. The Competition will end within 60 days of the closing date for the receipt of applications.

§ 5.

Applications which do not meet the criteria specified in § 2 and § 3.1 – 3.3. will not be considered for the Competition.

§ 6.

1. The winners of the competition will be selected by the Competition Jury, consisting of the Director of the Institute and persons appointed by the Director of the Institute (“Jury”).

2. The Jury consists of at least five members.

3. The Jury is chaired by the Director of the Institute or a person they have authorised.

4. The Jury’s task is:

   a) to evaluate the entries submitted, and
   b) to select the competition winners.

5. The rules for the Jury are stated in the Rules for the Jury of the competition for the best Bachelor's, Master's, Doctoral, and Habilitation thesis devoted to the problems of identifying and describing the consequences of the Second World War, attached as Appendix 4 to these regulations.

6. Submissions to the Competition will be judged on:

   a) the relevance/substantive level,
   b) scientific merit, and
   c) the originality of the subject matter.

7. Until the announcement of the decision on the selection of the Competition winners, the members of the Jury cannot provide any information on the Jury's work.

8. The Jury's decisions are final and not subject to appeal.

9. The list of the Competition winners will be announced on the Institute's website.

§ 7.

1. The Jury will select the winners and award three main prizes separately for Bachelor's theses, Master's theses, Doctoral theses, and Habilitation theses.

2. In the competition for the best Habilitation thesis, the winner is awarded:

   a) for taking first place, PLN 30,000 gross,
   b) for taking second place, PLN 20,000 gross,
   c) for taking third place, PLN 10,000 gross.

3. In the competition for the best Doctoral thesis, the winner is awarded:

   a) for taking first place, PLN 20,000 gross,
   b) for taking second place, PLN 15,000 gross,
   c) for taking third place, PLN 10,000 gross.

4. In the competition for the best Master's thesis, the winner is awarded:

   a) for taking first place, PLN 15,000 gross,
   b) for taking second place, PLN 10,000 gross,
   c) for taking third place, PLN 5,000 gross.

5. In the competition for the best Bachelor's thesis, the winner is awarded:

   a) for taking first place, PLN 10,000 gross,
   b) for taking second place, PLN 7,500 gross,
   c) for taking third place, PLN 5,000 gross.

6. The Institute will deduct tax from the sum paid out as a lump sum under Article 30(1)(2) of the Personal Income Tax Act of 26 July 1991 (Journal of Laws of 2022, item 2647, as amended).

7. All Competition winners are obliged to submit a declaration for tax purposes, a specimen of which constitutes Attachment No. 3 to these regulations.

8. The Jury may award a distinction or a special prize in the competition.

§ 8.

1. Issues not covered by these regulations will be resolved by a decision of the Director of the Institute, against which there is no right of appeal.

2. The Institute reserves the right to make reasonable amendments to the provisions of these regulations at any stage of the Competition, including changes to the dates of the Competition.

3. The Institute reserves the right to cancel, annul, or not adjudicate the Competition without giving any reason. The decision in this regard is final and cannot be appealed.

4. The appendices to the regulations are an integral part of the regulations:

    a) Appendix no. 1 - the Competition participant's application form,
    b) Appendix no. 2 - statement of the author of the competition thesis,
    c) Appendix no. 3 - statement for tax purposes in the event of being awarded a prize,
    d) Appendix no. 4 - Rules for the Jury of the Competition to assess the best Bachelor's, Master's, Doctoral, and Habilitation thesis devoted to the problems of identifying and describing the consequences of the Second World War, and
    e) Appendix no. 5 - GDPR information clause.