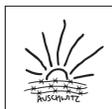




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PROGRAM

- 9:30 Opening of the symposium
H.M. Prof. Robert Tyrała, PhD, DLitt, Rector of UPJPII
- 9:40 Introductory remarks
H.E. Cardinal Grzegorz Ryś, Metropolitan of Kraków,
Grand Chancellor of UPJPII
Helena Jakubowicz, Chairwoman of the Jewish Religious Community
in Kraków
- Moderator: Jakub Drath, PhD
- 10:00 Prof. Karma Ben Johanan (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
*The Jewish Reception of John Paul II's Visit to the Great Synagogue
of Rome*
- 10:30 Olivier Catel OP, PhD (École Biblique et Archéologique Française
de Jérusalem)
*From the Piazza to the Pew: How Catholic Faithful Received
John Paul II's Synagogue Visit*
- 11:00 Discussion
- 11:30 Coffee break
- 12:00 Marcin Majewski, PhD, DLitt, Prof. UPJPII
On the Biblical Motif of Crossing the Threshold
- 12:20 Józef Cezary Kałużny, PhD, DLitt, Prof. UPJPII
On Shared Origins and the Parting of Ways
- 12:40 Sr. Tereza Huspekova, PhD (UPJPII)
*On the Breakthrough in Catholic Teaching on Jews:
The Declaration Nostra Aetate*
- 13:00 Prof. Jan Grosfeld
Dialogue as a Path to One's Own Identity
- 13:20 Discussion
- 13:50 Cardinal Grzegorz Ryś – Summary of the conference and opening
of the exhibition „Some Were Neighbors: Choice, Human Behavior,
and the Holocaust”
- 14:00 Reception
- 17:00 Meeting at the Kupa Synagogue, 27 Miodowa St.



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