

## Facts and Comments 2014

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### Abstract

**Aim.** The aim of the Chronicle is to gather source material in order to document the history and development of the institutions of cultural studies, martial arts and cultural tourism.

It is also a review of publications and events in this area of interest.

**Method.** Information and detailed data were collected from different sources: direct reports, publications online resources. Illustrations (photos) are autotelic. This is a general description of events supported by commentary and analysis of content.

**Results.** In addition to individual facts, concerning, for example, awards and promotions, a series of events are described and reviewed. This is followed by reviews of 28 books, and other major publications.

**Conclusions.** Probably the most important event of the analysed period was the 3<sup>rd</sup> World Scientific Congress of Combat Sports and Martial Arts, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> IMACSSS International Conference in Rzeszów. As a result of these, institutional and qualitative developments in martial arts science can be seen.

### Obituary / Odeszli

*Prof. zw. Dr hab. Mirosław Ponczek* (23.02.1947-12.02.2014), who was an outstanding historian, a Professor of physical culture history on our Journal [more: Wojciech J. Cynarski (2012), *Professor Mirosław Ponczek – contribution to biography* [in:] P. Król [ed.], *Studia i szkice w zakresie polskiej i*

*zagranicznej teorii oraz historii kultury fizycznej*, UR, Rzeszów, pp. 13-28, in Polish]. Most of all, he was a good and honest man and a friend.

*Sensei Dieter Drexler* (30.05.1955-21.05.2014), who worked as an IT specialist at BMW's central office. He was a student and assistant (holding: 6 dan *jujutsu*, 4 dan *judo-do/ido*, 3 dan *iaido*, 1 kyu



**Photo 1.** During one of the seminars in Denia (Spain) – Dieter Drexler in the middle  
[source: Sport School L. Sieber, <http://www.sieber-kampfsport.de/Archiv/dieter/dieter.html>]

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*karate*) of *meijin* Lothar Sieber [photo 1]. He had been practising at GM Sieber's School since 1975 – at first *jujutsu* and *zendo karate*, and later *iaido*. He was a good man and a friend.

**Shihan Franz Strauss** (13.03.1933-6.10.2014), a holder of the highest master degrees: 10 dan *judo-do*, 10 dan *jujutsu*, he was one of the leaders of the European Jujutsu & Kobudo Committee, later (since 2013) the European Martial Arts Committee. His friend, Dr Słopecki recalls that the deceased was a man of great humbleness, which is not a common virtue. [more: Strauss F., Słopecki J. (2014), *The way of life and the way of martial arts*, "Ido Movement for Culture. Journal of Martial Arts Anthropology", vol. 14, no. 1, pp. 72-76]. And it is Jan Słopecki, 10 dan *jujutsu*, who became Strauss's successor in the Austrian organization as far as teaching *jujutsu* is concerned.

### Awards / Nagrody i odznaczenia

Dr **Roland J. Maroteaux** (France) received from the city of Avignon, the « Trophée des dirigeants méritants 2013 », and 'Les Palmes d'Argent du Bénévolat' from La Fondation du Bénévolat. Congratulations.

Dec. 19, 2013, Rzeszów (Poland). Prof. **Wojciech J. Cynarski** PhD received the Laurel of Recognition of the Faculty of Physical Education, UR "For outstanding scientific and sport achievements and promotion of the Faculty of Physical Education at the University of Rzeszów".

Dr **Krzysztof Kubala**, the General Secretary of IMACSSS also received the Laurel of Recognition for promoting the Faculty of Physical Education. Wojciech J. Cynarski delivered an open lecture at the University: *Martial arts in socio-cultural research* [photo 2] on the same day.



**Photo 2.** Prof. Wojciech J. Cynarski during a discussion after his open lecture, University of Rzeszów [courtesy of Dr K. Kubala]

March 22, 2014, Aufhausen (Germany). The German Dan-Holder & Budo-Teacher Ass. (DDBV e.V.) awarded *shihan* **Norbert Punzet** the Silver Honorary Badge of DDBV and **Heiko Hofmann** (D) the Brown Honorary Badge.

March 22, 2014, Rzeszów. During the 21<sup>st</sup> General Assembly IPA Symposium Prof. **Fuminori Nakiri** PhD, President of the Japanese Academy of Budo (JAB), was declared an honorary member of Idokan Poland Association.

May 2014, Plovdiv (Bulgaria). The title *honoris causa* professor was awarded to GM **Jon Bluming** (born 1933, 10 dan karate Kyokushin Budo Kai, 9 dan judo) [photo 3].



**Photo 3.** GM Jon Bluming (in the middle) being awarded the title Professor h.c., Plovdiv 2014 [courtesy of Prof. K. Kernspecht]

June 2014, Rzeszów. During the University celebrations **Wojciech J. Cynarski** was presented with an award as a "Leader of the University of Rzeszów 2014" for the best results in the field of medical sciences, health and physical education sciences. This is an (individual, 2<sup>nd</sup> degree) award given by the rector of UR.

Sep. 5-6, 2014, Kraków (Poland). Bronisław Czech's Academy of Physical Education in Kraków organized the IV National Scientific Conference of the Polish Society of Social Science of Sports "Sports and tourism in the mirror of social values". At the opening of the conference an honorary membership of the Polish Society of Social Sciences of Sports was awarded to Father Prof. **Stanisław Kowalczyk** and Prof. **Kazimierz Obodyński**. So far a similar honorary membership has been awarded only to Prof. Zbigniew Krawczyk and Prof. Józef Lipiec.

Oct. 3, 2014, Kraków. Prof. **Józef Lipiec** (PL) was awarded a *honoris causa* doctorate.



Oct. 1, 2014, Prešov (Slovakia). The Faculty of Sport at Prešov University celebrated its 10th anniversary this year. Deans from the Czech Republic, Slovakia and Poland (from Rzeszow) were invited. Many people received commemorative medals. Earlier, on Sep. 25, in Rzeszow, during the meeting of the UR Faculty Council the President of IPA presented the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Idokan Poland Association Medal to Prof. **Jan Junger** from Prešov. Both departments have been working closely together for a long time, and Prof. Junger also works with IPA.

Oct. 6, 2014, Rzeszów. During the inauguration of the academic year the UR Rector, Prof. Alexander Bobko presented Prof. **Wojciech J. Cynarski** with the Scientific Laurel of the University of Rzeszow (photo 4). It is a rector's award of the first degree, presented to one person from among about a thousand of academics, for scientific position, personality and particular scientific achievements of the last five years. The Scientific Laurel was awarded for the second time in the history of the university [cf. "Academic Forum", 2014, no. 11].



**Photo 4.** Prof. Dr hab. A. Bobko, Rector of UR, presents Prof. Cynarski with a statue of The Scientific Laurel of the University of Rzeszów 2014 [<http://blekitna.tv/universytet-rzeszowski-inauguruje-nowy-rok-akademicki/>]

Oct. 15-17, 2014, Rzeszów. A diploma of an Honorary Member of IPA was presented to Prof. Dr **Fuminori Nakiri**, President of JAB; the Chivalrous Order *Homo Creator Nobilis* to Prof. **Keith R. Kernspecht** PhD (no. 5), and **Jan Słopecki** PhD (no. 6). On behalf of the European Nobility Club the President of IPA gave both Grand Masters of martial arts diplomas and medals at the closing ceremony of the IMACSSS Congress. The Order

for Prof. Kernspecht was collected by Dr Oliver König, 8<sup>th</sup> master degree (EWTO, Austria; photo 5).



**Photo 5.** Prof. Dr Keith R. Kernspecht and Dr Oliver König [courtesy of Dr Oliver König]

Additionally, 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of IPA Medals were given to: Prof. Dr **Carlos Gutierrez-Garcia** (Spain), Prof. Dr **Willy Pieter** (The Netherlands, and Czech Rep.), Prof. Dr **Sergio Raimondo** (Italy), and Prof. Dr hab. **Włodzimierz Starosta** (President IASK) collected the 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of IPA Medal awarded to him 6 years ago.

Nov. 26, 2014, Brno (Czech Rep.). The President of IPA presented Prof. **Ivo Jirasek** with the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of IPA Medal. It took place during a meeting of the High Scientific Board of the Czech Republic at Masaryk University.



**Photo 6.** E. Cynarska, M. Chomycz-Śmigielska and W. Błażejowski [courtesy of W.J. Cynarski]

Dec. 9, 2014, Rzeszów. **Mgr Elżbieta Cynarska**, activist of IPA, received the Bronze Cross of Merit. **Dr Wojciech Błażejowski**, statistical editor of our

Journal, received the Gold Medal "For Long Service" (photo 6). Presentation of these awards granted by the President of the Republic of Poland, was held in the building of the Regional Office in Rzeszów, and the authorities of the Republic of Poland were represented by the provincial governor Mrs. Margaret Chomycz-Śmigielska.

### New IPA Members / Nowi członkowie SIP

Prof. Dr Gregory T. Papanikos (Greece) – sociologist, specialist in tourism and leisure

Dr Renata Grzywacz (PL) – sociologist, specialist in tourism and leisure

Zbigniew Sawicki (PL) – MA in political science, GM of the *Signum Polonicum* (a school of Polish, national martial arts)

Michał Hazy (PL) – karate instructor, 1 dan *karate kyokushinkai*

### New Scientific and Martial Arts Degrees / Awanse naukowe i w sztukach walki

Marian Kozaczka (PL) – professor of humanities, specialist in history

Krzysztof Warchoł (PL) – professor of education; Warsaw, Oct. 2014

Marek Adam (PL) – *habilitacja* (Dr hab. Doctoral degree) in physical culture sciences, 2014

Rafał Kubacki (PL) – Doctor of physical culture sciences (AWF Wrocław), 2014

Hirokazu Kanazawa (JAP), 10 dan *karatedo - meijin* title (IMAF), in 2012/2013

Shizuya Sato (JAP), 10 dan *nihon jujutsu - meijin* title (IMAF), posthumously

Daniel A. Brun (F) – 9 dan *aikido*, 2013

Alain Floquet (F) – 9 dan *aikibudo* (from GM Hirō Mochizuki 10 dan, and CERA) and 8 dan *kobudo* (GM Yukihirō Sugino 9 dan, *tenshin shoden katori shinto-ryu*), 2014

Lothar Sieber (D) – 9 dan *karatedo* (from Dan Federation of Zen-Do-Karate Tai-Te-Tao and Budo Germany, GM B. Stumpf 10 dan and World Moosul Kwon Federation)

Christian Barnavol (F) – 7 dan *aiki-jujutsu (take-da-ryu maroto-ha, WTMF)*

Daniel Dubreuil (F) – 7 dan *kobudo (tenshin shoden katori shinto-ryu)*

Nardo Carnicer (F) – 7 dan *aiki-jujutsu (takeda-ryu maroto-ha, WTMF)*

Keith Kernspecht (D) – 6 dan *karate* (from GM Jon Bluming 10 dan, Kyokushin Budo Kai)

Leszek Siekański (PL) – 6 dan *sport jujutsu* (IPA)

Harald Weitmann (D) – 5 dan *kobudo, renshei* (IPA)

Piotr Jaskólski (PL) – 4 dan *aiki-jujutsu (okuy-ama-ryu)*

Yulesis Moreno-Manzul (CU) – 4 dan *aiki-jujutsu* (WTMF)

Karol Winiszewski (PL) – 4 dan *taekwondo* (Polish Taekwon-do Federation)

Giovanni Bagnacci (F) – 3 dan *iaido* (WTMF)

Oliver König (A) – 3 dan *karate* (from GM Jon Bluming, Kyokushin Budo Kai)

Stanisław Cynarski (PL) – 1 dan *kobudo (katori shinto-ryu) / kenjutsu* (IPA)

### Conferences and Other Events / Konferencje i inne wydarzenia

Feb. 7-9, 2014, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan, West Bengal (India). The 24<sup>th</sup> Pan-Asian Conference of Sports and Physical Education. This next very interesting conference was organized under the auspices of the Pan-Asian Society of Sports and Physical Education. Prof. Wojciech J. Cynarski was invited to make either an oral or poster presentation or a live demonstration in the "Traditional Sports and Games" section. But, unfortunately, it clashed with the AIESEP Congress in Auckland.

Feb. 10-13, 2014, Auckland (New Zealand), The AIESEP World Congress 2014.

Prof. Wojciech J. Cynarski presented a lecture: *Polish Achievements in the Theory of Physical Education and the Approach of Holistic Pedagogy*, which was concerned with the evolution of this theory in Poland and about its connection with the pedagogy of martial arts. Other works about martial arts science included: Jérémie Bride, Nathalie Wallian, Denis Loizon: *How karate Grand Masters define the practice: A French/Japanese contrastive study*; and: *Mushin: Re-conceptualizing learning technique in sport as a process of uniting mind and body* by Prof. Richard Light. [more about the Congress: *Congress of sport pedagogy and physical education*, "Gazeta Uniwersytecka UR", 2014, no. 2, pp. 28-29, in Polish]

Feb. 27-28, 2014, Rzeszów (Poland). The 6<sup>th</sup> International Days of Rehabilitation "Needs and Standards in Contemporary Rehabilitation". Prof. Dr Andrzej Kwolek organized this conference to celebrate the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the Clinical Rehabilitation Department in Rzeszów. On the first day a meeting of the Committee on Rehabilitation, Physical Education and Social Integration of the Polish Academy of Sciences took place. During the meeting, the President of IPA presented Prof. **Krzysztof Klukowski** and Prof.

**Andrzej Pawłucki** with 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of IPA Medals.

March 22, 2014, Rzeszów. The IPA General Assembly and Scientific-Methodological Session “Changes in educational programmes and training methods in martial arts and combat sports”. The panelists included: Dr Jan Słopecki (10 dan *jujutsu*, 3 dan *judo*), Dr Gabriel Szajna (fencing coach), *Mgr* Adrian Piórko-Pawliński (1 dan *karate*), *Mgr* Piotr Ziemiński (kick-boxing coach), and Prof. Dr Wojciech J. Cynarski as the moderator.

During the event four people received the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of IPA Medal: Prof. Dr **Marian Malikowski**, Dr **Jan Słopecki**, *Mgr* **Elżbieta Cynarska** and *Mgr* **Piotr Ziemiński**.

April 10-12, Iasi (Romania), The 4<sup>th</sup> LUMEN Conference - Logos, Universality, Mentality, Education, Novelty: *From Theory to Inquiry in Social Sciences*. The organizers were Prof. Dr Antonio Sandu, Ana Caras and the Lumen Association. Prof. Dr Wojciech J. Cynarski was a member of the Scientific Committee and an invited speaker with a paper in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Plenary Session on: *The New Paradigm of Science Suitable for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*. It was an interesting scientific event on one area of social and humanistic sciences.

April 25-27, 2014, Rzeszów. The first national Convention of Physical Education Deans or, more generally, deans of faculties teaching physical education. It was an initiative by the centres in Rzeszów and Warsaw and a meeting, discussion and prioritization of this scientific circle took place.

May 7-10, 2014, Utrecht (the Netherlands). The 11<sup>th</sup> EASS Conference, and Congress of EASS (the European Association for Sociology of Sport). Wojciech J. Cynarski was elected to the Board. Among 167 papers presented at the University of Utrecht, only 3 presentations were about martial arts. Cynarski's oral presentation: *Cultural dialogue if the European Idokan – 65 years of the judo-do organization* is a result of the new IPA research project.

June 4-5, 2014, Iwkowa (Poland). The 2<sup>nd</sup> International Scientific Conference: “Motivation and Effectiveness in General Education” was an interesting meeting of humanities scholars and teachers. A new look at the problem of education and motivation was presented by invited speakers: Prof. Dr. Czesław Lewicki (*Motivating role of school evaluation*), Ft. Dr. Witold Ostafiński (*Modern education – a lever of talent or a therapy of mediocrity*), Prof. Dr Wojciech J. Cynarski (*Motivation in sport and the way of martial arts*) and Ft. Dr Stanisław

Dyndał (*Motivating children and young people to practice judo*). In addition Prof. Dr Igor Kominarec (Slovakia) talked about the role of the pedagogy of play, and *Doc. Dr* Wojciech Błażejewski talked about the motivators in school education. The Conference was organised by Dr Zbigniew Ruszaj, headmaster of the State Middle School in Iwkowa.

Sep. 25-27, 2014, Valencia (Spain). The XIII International Conference of the Spanish Association of Social Research Applied to Sport, organized by Prof. Dr Ramon Llopis-Goig. Prof. Dr Wojciech J. Cynarski was (among other well-known sociologists) a member of the Scientific Committee of this Conference.

Oct. 15-17, 2014, Rzeszów. The 3<sup>rd</sup> World Scientific Congress of Combat Sports and Martial Arts and the 3<sup>rd</sup> IMACSSS International Conference. The Congress included the IMACSSS General Assembly, 3<sup>rd</sup> Martial Arts' Gala, 4<sup>th</sup> Workshops and 7<sup>th</sup> Symposium “Man - Martial Arts – Humanism”. Keynote speakers were: Professors Fuminori Nakiri, Willy Pieter, Stanisław Sterkowicz, and Wojciech J. Cynarski, who was also the president of the Scientific Committee.

The Congress was under auspices of our periodical so we will publish the full report separately.

Oct. 25, 2014, Warsaw. To celebrate the 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary jubilee of the Academy of Physical Education in Warsaw and the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Father Bosco the Academy of Physical Education and Salesian Sports Organization of the Republic of Poland (SALOS) next organized jointly a National Scientific Symposium “Physical Culture and Social Change”. Prof. Dr hab. Zbigniew Dziubiński has been the leader of SALOS and its organizer for many years. The outcome of this year's event is the monograph with an identical title, containing 42 chapters – including *Sport wobec zmiany społecznej. Instytucjonalizacja sportów walki w perspektywie społeczno-historycznej (Sport and social change. The institutionalization of martial art from a socio-historical perspective)* by Wojciech J. Cynarski (pp. 347-354). Interesting papers concerning general changes in sport were written by Prof. Krawczyk and Prof. Dziubiński.

## New Publications / Nowe publikacje

Pachurka René (2011), *L'enseignement Takeda-ryu à Metz*, A.C.M., Metz (?) [in French], 150 pp.

*Sensei* Pachurka (4 dan) has also on his participation in the 2<sup>nd</sup> World Congress of Combat Sports and Martial Arts in Rzeszów. The author was at the time an assistant of GM Roland Maroteaux.



Rosa Manuel (2012), *Kolumb. Historia nieznaną*, Rebis [in Polish], 488 pp.

A Portuguese researcher has written a monograph of the famous discoverer of America. In it, he advances the thesis that Christopher Columbus was not an Italian but a son of the Polish king Vladislav III of Warona. Is it necessary to correct general historical knowledge?

Tiwald Horst (2012), *Psycho-Training im WingTsun, Taiji und Budo-Sport*, EWTO-Verlag, Ostheim [in German], 328 pp.

This is an interesting collection of the thoughts and views of Prof. Tiwald, quotes and "golden thoughts" of many other authors, correspondence with Prof. Kernspecht, etc. Altogether it is a contribution to the psychology and philosophy of martial arts and combat sports with significant cognitive and application values.

Dixon Kevin (2013), *Consuming football in late modern life*, Ashgate, Abingdon, 168 pp.

K. Dixon (Teesside University, UK) writes on the culture of football. This is written from the perspective of the sociology of consumption. We can see this phenomenon as a product or result of globalisation in the field of sport [cf. Cynarski (2003), *Globalisation and meeting of cultures*].

Dziubiński Z., Lenartowicz M. [eds.] (2013), *Kultura fizyczna a różnice i nierówności społeczne*, AWF, SALOS RP, Warsaw [in Polish], 422 pp.

*Prof. Dr hab.* Zbigniew Dziubiński and *Dr hab.* Michał Lenartowicz are the scientific editors of this new monograph. Its contents are divided into two parts: Part 1. Physical culture from sociological and cultural anthropological perspectives (22 works) and Part 2. Philosophical-historical and pedagogical-organisational aspects of physical culture (15).

Jackson Peter (Dec. 2013), *The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug*, fantasy film, script: G. del Toro, P. Jackson, F. Walsh, Ph. Boyens; made in New Zealand/USA. 2 h 41 min.

Why include such a product of mass culture among scientific publications? Maybe because it is a good way to speak about the most important issues, such as the eternal struggle between good and evil forces. Director Peter Jackson completes Prof. J.R.R. Tolkien's work, adding more than is in the original. Heroes are shown fighting the temptations of power and greed, laziness and fear. The fight scenes are also interesting.

Jenzen Olu, Munt Sally R. [eds.] (2013), *The Ashgate Research Companion to Paranormal Cultures*, Ashgate, Abingdon, 484 pp.

The editors represent British universities in Brighton and Sussex. The book is about the role of the paranormal in social change (from meditation to phenomenological questions) and contains 28 essays. We can find how New Age ideology influences scientific discourse.

Kosiewicz Jerzy, Obodyński Kazimierz [eds.] (2013), *Social Sciences of Sport: Assumption and Perspectives*, Rzeszów – Warsaw, 303 pp.

This is another important publication in the area of 'social sciences of sport'. The book contains 32 texts by Polish authors. The only article referring to the area of martial arts is the one by Dr Pawlik. The edition was sponsored by four institutions: the J. Piłsudski University of Physical Education in Warsaw, the Faculty of PE at the University of Rzeszów, Podkarpackie Society of Physical Culture Sciences, and the European Academy for the Carpathian Euroregion.

Mikos von Rohrscheidt Armin (2013), *Szlak Piastowski w przebudowie. Struktura, zarządzanie, oferta kulturowo-turystyczna*, Proksenia, Kraków [in Polish], 446 pp.

Dr Mikos von Rohrscheidt has written his monograph in which he presents the concept of managing national heritage on the basis of the description of the Piast Trail (monuments at the beginning of Polish statehood). The work has also an application value, because the author's results can be used in practice: in strategy (restructuring, modifications) and in the management of tourism in the examined area. There is a description of reality, and general and specific suggestions for change.

Nowocień Jerzy (2013), *Study on the pedagogy of physical culture*, 2<sup>nd</sup> corrected edn., AWF, Warsaw [in Polish], 248 pp.

*Dr hab.* J. Nowocień, Prof. AWF in Warsaw has written this book, which can be viewed as a manual for the pedagogy of physical culture or for the pedagogy of sport. The author refers to the main streams of pedagogical theory mainly by Polish authors; the achievements of the pedagogy of culture and pedagogy of physical culture. The publication is ideologically progressive and very politically correct.

Obodyński K., Zaborniak S., Zych T. [eds.] (2013), *Człowiek – natura – kultura. Studia i szkice z nauk o przyrodzie i człowieku*, Neiko Print & Publishing, Rzeszów-Tarnobrzeg [in Polish], 284 pp. + 16 pp. with photos.

Colleagues from the Faculty of Physical Education at the University of Rzeszów have prepared this book to celebrate Prof. Jerzy Piórecki's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. The book is in three parts, a profile of Prof. Piórecki, and his interest in nature and culture, respectively. The texts were written by Piórecki's friends from Poland and Ukraine.

Pawłucki Andrzej (2013), *Nauki o kulturze fizycznej* [Sciences on Physical Culture], "Studia i Monografie", AWF, Wrocław [in Polish], 290 pp.

This is a new and interesting look at the science of physical culture. Prof. Pawłucki overthrows some long-established scientific concepts showing their inadequacy. It is the first for a long time to suggest a method of determining the basic concepts of science on movement, physicality and health.

Raimondo Sergio, Sabatelli Giovanna (2013), *La forza di seta. Fondamenti e principia del Taijiquan Chen*, Bulzoni editure, Roma [in Italian], 200 pp.

Dr S. Raimondo (5 duan) and his wife G. Sabatelli (6 duan) are specialists in the Chen style of *taiji quan*. They are students of GM Chen Xiaowang, certificated by the Chinese Wushu Association. Their book is surely noteworthy.

Uozumi T., Bennett A. (2013), *Budō in the Global Era. A Cross Cultural Analysis of Issues Pertaining to Globalisation*, IBU Budo Series vol. 2, IBU – International Budo University, Katsuma, 136 pp.

Fragmentary approach, from the perspective of Japan and East Asia. The authors do not see anything significant that has happened in recent years in Europe regarding the process of the globalization of martial arts. Factual material quoted by them on the western point of view is as follows: "2008 – Lehman shock effect the world economy. Barack Obama elected new US president. 2010 – Arab Spring (...) 2011 – Euro Crisis (Greece, Italy, Spain). 2012 – London Olympics" (p. 134).

Wnuk Zygmunt, Wypych Piotr (2013), *Przedborski Park Krajobrazowy. 25-lecie utworzenia parku 1988-2013*, Zespół Parków Krajobrazowych Województwa Łódzkiego, Łódź [in Polish], 192 pp.

This is an album of national heritage, richly-illustrated with photographs. It also contains a historical description of Przedborski Landscape Park in its 25th anniversary. The effect of the meeting of ecological culture with wild nature determines the attractiveness of a given area.

"Wychowanie Fizyczne i Zdrowotne" [in Polish], Dec. 2013, no. 1, 42 pp.

This is a jubilee issue. Congratulations to the editor Prof. Tadeusz Maszczak, the editorial and office staff and the publisher on a beautiful 80th anniversary of the publication of this magazine! This issue includes: i.a. editorials by Maszczak: "80 lat wychowania fizycznego i zdrowotnego" [Physical and Health Education] (p. 3) and by Prof. Andrzej M. De Tchorzewski: *Osobliwość nauk o kulturze fizycznej* (pp. 9-14). It concerns the specificity of physical culture sciences. These sciences extend from the natural and medical disciplines, the humanities and social disciplines. In the first case quantitative research strategy prevails, in the latter it is qualitative research.

Brown David H.K., Jennings George, Sparkes Andrew C. (2014), *Taijiquan the "Taiji World" Way: Towards a Cosmopolitan Vision of Ecology, "Societies"* vol. 4, no. 3, 380; doi: 10.3390/soc4030380

The ecological paradigm already suggested in *The Turning Point* by Fritjof Capra, is indeed suitable as a description of the Taoist way of *taiji quan*. The authors write, that: "there is evidence that a cosmopolitan vision for ecology is emerging in physical cultures such as Taijiquan".

Cynarski Wojciech J. (2014), *The new paradigm of science suitable for the 21<sup>st</sup> century*, "Procedia – Social and Behavioral Sciences", vol. 149, pp. 269-275.

This was a keynote speech at the 4<sup>th</sup> LUMEN Conference *From Theory to Inquiry in Social Sciences*, Iasi 2014, and is published in the Journal of Elsevier. We can agree that: "Only a holistic perception of human and system testing will give us the knowledge to meet the requirements of today's challenges. The new paradigmatic science suitable for the 21<sup>st</sup> century will create areas of breaking-down nineteenth-century schemes and will require broader knowledge from scholars" [Cynarski 2014: 273].

Cynarski W.J., Nizioł Anna [eds.] (2014), *3<sup>rd</sup> IMACSSS International Conference Abstract Book*, Rzeszów University Press, Rzeszów, 126 pp.

This material was prepared for the 3<sup>rd</sup> World Scientific Congress of Combat Sports and Martial Arts and the 3<sup>rd</sup> IMACSSS International Conference (Rzeszów, Oct. 15-17, 2014). It contains the names and photos of the organizers, scientific profiles of keynote speakers, Rector of the University of Rzeszów preface, introduction, extended abstracts of 81 works, photos of masters-experts (Martial Arts Gala participants) and an index of names.

Gordon Richard, Duffield Chris, Wickhorst Vivkie (2014), *Kwantowy przełom. Rewolucja w uzdrawia-*

niu, Studio Astropsychologii, Białystok [in Polish], 340 pp.

This is the Polish edition of the book *Quantum Touch 2.0* also released in the US this year. Richard Gordon is a pioneer of treatment using Quantum Touch. Co-authors, PhDs support him in his bold venture. Surely it is right to perceive the sources of energy in love. The authors mainly use the language of Hinduism (chakras, energy).

Goswami Amit (2014), *Kwantowy umysł. Naukowe dowody na potęgę Twoich myśli*, Studio Astropsychologii, Białystok [in Polish], 304 pp.

This is the Polish edition of the book *Quantum Creativity* (Hay House Inc., USA 2014). Its author Prof. A. Goswami is a quantum physicist, who is currently involved in applications of this science to the treatment and development of creativity. The book is written in the language of Hinduism and quantum physics, as well as Karl G. Jung and Sigmund Freud. That partial involvement in psychoanalysis meant that we find some confusion of term here: sex and love (pp. 130, 145-147). However, the attempts to test the applications mentioned above are interesting.

Kazimierczak Marek [ed.] (2014), *Ethical dimension of cultural trips*, AWF, Poznań [in Polish], 324 pp.

This is another book, which was published by the Academy of Physical Education (AWF) in Poznań, edited by Prof. M. Kazimierczak. It is the result of the VI National Scientific Conference from the series "Tourism in the humanistic perspective". This volume contains 25 works by different authors, which are divided into three thematic sections: cultural tourism and the challenges of the present day; barriers and stereotypes; goals and moral values.

Kernspecht Keith R. (2014), *Inneres WingTsun! Kurs-Buch*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edn., EWTO-Verlag [in German], 144 pp.

Prof. Kernspecht has published a manual for instructors of the European WingTsun Organisation (EWTO). It explains the meaning of the "internal" *Wing Tsun kung-fu* style. This is a practical application of the logic of combat, developed by the same author.

Prieto Ivan, Gutierrez-Santiago Alfonso, Prieto Lage Miguel Angel (2014), *Knowledge of errors In the teaching-learning process of judo techniques: osoto-guruma as a case study*, 'Journal of Human Kinetics', vol. 41, pp. 253-263.

The three Spanish researchers published their results consisting of systematic observation from a video recording of a technique performance. The

findings can be useful for judo practise, to correct the key technical errors and prevent diverse injuries.

"Research Journal of Budo", March 2014, vol. 46, no. 3, 220 pp.

The Japanese Academy of Budo has been publishing this Journal (ISSN 0287-9700) for many years. This issue is devoted to the 46<sup>th</sup> Congress of JAB, the 2013 International Budo Conference and Specialist Subcommittee Meetings. Abstracts of some works have already been published in the previous book: Kuwamori M., Figueiredo A., Bennett A., Koyama K., Matsuo M., Ishimatsu-Prime M., Yokoyama N., Kalina R.M., Honda S., Cynarski W.J. [eds.] (2013), *Proceedings of the 2013 International Budo Conference by the Japanese Academy of Budo*, University of Tsukuba, Tsukuba. Now, in this Journal, we find the report of the plenary session – *Integrated Science of Budo* and some full papers. It contains i.a. the original work: Cynarski W.J.: *Karate in Europe – Institutional development and changes: "karatedo wa rei ni hajimari, rei ni owaru koto wo wasuruna"* (pp. 161-183), with an abstract in Polish (probably for the first time in the history of this Journal).

"Revista de Artes Marciales Asiáticas", 2014, vol. 9, no. 1, 68 pp.

The first issue of this Journal contains very interesting contents. The articles are: Emerson Franchini, *Born to fight? Genetics and combat sports* (1-8); Juan G. Bonitch-Góngora, Filipa Almeida, *Hand-grip isometric strength in judo* (9-19); António M. Vences Brito et al., *Characterization of kinesiological patterns of the frontal kick, mae-geri, in karate experts and non-karate practitioners* (20-31); Carlos Montero Carretero, José Luis López Elvira, *Impact produced by seoi-otoshi technique. Relation to years in practice and judo rank* (32-41); Jared Miracle, *Supernatural sources of martial power: a cross-cultural investigation* (42-53). There are also reports and reviews: Denis Toichkin, Manouchehr Moshtagh Khorasani, *First International Research Conference on Weaponology in Kyiv, Ukraine: A ground-breaking start* (54-60); Bede Dwyer, *Persian Archery and Swordsmanship: Historical Martial Arts of Iran*, by Manouchehr Moshtagh Khorasani (61-68).

Szysko-Bohusz Andrzej (2014), *Czy zbliża się czas apokalipsy? Ostateczna misja Verila*, self-editing, Kraków [in Polish], 22 pp.

Prof. Szysko-Bohusz publishes the second part of the story of Veril, a boy, sent by God. In the literary form the author is trying to show the serious risk of moral crisis in today's world. But will people want to listen?



Tomljenović Renata, Kunst Ivo (2014), *From sun and sea tourism to cultural tourism – the case of Split-Dalmatia county*, “European Journal of Tourism Research”, vol. 8, pp. 83-98.

Two Croatian researchers write about the fact that contemporary tourism is changing. “The successful development of cultural tourism requires [...] cooperation among the leading cultural institutions, tourism companies, local administration and the organizations responsible for the overall destination’s management” (p. 94). It is based on the Middle Dalmatian region.

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## Fakty i komentarze 2014

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### Abstrakt

Celem jest ukazanie faktografii, a więc zebranie materiału źródłowego do historii i instytucjonalizacji studiów kulturowych, sztuk walki i turystyki kulturowej. Jest to także recenzja publikacji i wydarzeń w interesującej nas dziedzinie. Metoda. Informacje i dane szczegółowe zebrano sięgając do różnych źródeł – relacji bezpośrednich, publikacji, treści internetowych. Ilustracja (zdjęcia) ma tu charakter autoteliczny. Jest to generalnie opis zdarzeń poparty komentarzem oraz analiza treści.

Wyniki. Oprócz faktów indywidualnych, dotyczących na przykład nagród i awansów, opisano i zrecenzowano serię kilkunastu wydarzeń. Następnie przedstawiono noty recenzyjne o 28 książkach i innych ważnych publikacjach.

Wnioski. Bodajże najważniejszym wydarzeniem analizowanego okresu był 3<sup>rd</sup> *World Scientific Congress of Combat Sports and Martial Arts*, i 3<sup>rd</sup> *IMACSSS International Conference* in Rzeszów. Można także stwierdzić, że następuje instytucjonalny i jakościowy rozwój nauki o sztukach walki.