

From Editorial

We are pleased to deliver into the hands of readers the first volume of the new, interdisciplinary, international scientific half-yearbook – “Hereditas Monasteriorum”. By creating it, our aim was to offer a place for the research publication and scientific discussion on the broadly understood monastic and post-monastic heritage.

The columns of “Hereditas Monasteriorum” will be widely open for all synthetic and analytical studies, as well as for the publications of inventories, catalogues, and historical sources documenting the heritage of monastic life. By this heritage we mean the contribution, which the monks and convents have brought to the history of world civilization. Therefore, in the scope of our research is the variety of intellectual and material achievements of the monks, and their fate, the role that they played and continue to play in the aspects of religion, spirit, culture, art, society, economy, etc.

Due to the importance of monastic dissolution for the state of post-monastic heritage preservation, we want to devote a lot of space for the elaborations and publications on the history of suppressions (their causes and course, as well as the documentation produced during their duration), and the fate of the monks, goods, buildings, and properties of the dissolved convents.

We do not restrict the chronological and territorial scope of the published texts and sources, because we are interested in the legacy of monastic life in general, including this from the outside the Christian culture.

We will publish texts written in Polish (with the English abstracts) or in one of the five main European languages, namely in English, French, Spanish, German or Italian (with the summaries in Polish and English).

We invite to the texts publishing both humanists (eg. historians, art historians, archeologists, researchers of library and culture studies, archivists, sociologists, musicologists, museologists, philosophers, religious studies researchers), as well as the representatives of other scientific disciplines.

We are strongly interested to have a significant place for the source editions (including the individual, interesting messages) and inventories, catalogues and lists of monastic and post-monastic artifacts, in addition to theses, articles, reviews, and scientific chronicle in “Hereditas Monasteriorum”.

“Hereditas Monasteriorum” is a half-yearbook issued in June and December of the year, published in the traditional form and also available on-line in digital form. All the principles valid for the entries on the international indexes and the lists of scored scientific periodicals shall be respected (including the external reviews of texts).

All the necessary information can be found on the website of “Hereditas Monasteriorum”: www.hm.kasaty.pl, available in three language versions: Polish, English and German.