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## From the Editors

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Tekst jest udostępniony do wykorzystania w ramach dozwolonego użytku.

### FROM THE EDITORS

A FEW MERRY OCCASIONS have marked the time since our last volume was published. During the 2010 Papyrological Congress in Geneva the General Assembly of our Association kindly accepted the proposal of the Warsaw papyrologists to host the next Congress in Poland. It will take place from the 29th of July to the 3rd of August 2013, at the premises of the University of Warsaw. Its organization is a joint effort of the Warsaw ancient historians, romanists and archaeologists celebrating yet again the community of science and friendship around the *Journal of Juristic Papyrology* and the rooms of the Raphael Taubenschlag Library of Roman Law and Papyrology, an interfaculty institution belonging to the Faculty of Law and Administration and Faculty of History at the University of Warsaw. The planned gathering has already attracted attention of the authorities. The President of the Republic of Poland, Mr. Bronisław Komorowski has graciously accepted the honorary patronage of the 27th Congress. The Congress Honorary Committee brings together the Lady Mayor of the City of Warsaw – Prof. Hanna Gronkiewicz-Waltz, the President of the Polish Academy of Sciences – Prof. Michał Kleiber, the Minister of Science and Higher Education – Prof. Barbara Kudrycka, the Marshal of the Mazovian Voivodeship – Mr. Adam Struzik, and the Director of the National Museum – Dr. Agnieszka Morawińska as well as the University of Warsaw authorities: the Rector, Prof. Katarzyna Chałasińska-Macukow, the Dean of the Faculty of History – Prof. Elżbieta Barbara Zybent.



Renovation of Józef Méléze Modrzejewski's doctorate, 6 June 2011  
(photo by Marcin Kluczek)

From left to right: Elżbieta Barbara Zybort, Dean of the Faculty of History, Józef Méléze Modrzejewski, Katarzyna Chałasińska-Macukow, Rector Magnifica of the University of Warsaw, Włodzimierz Lengauer, Vice-Rector of the University of Warsaw, and Krzysztof Rączka, Dean of the Faculty of Law

The Committee has decided to come back to the tradition to start each day of the meeting with general lectures aiming at an overview of the most important developments in various fields of papyrology in the recent years (we have decided for the following sessions: Ptolemaic Egypt, Roman Egypt, Late Antique/Byzantine Egypt, Coptic and Arab Egypt, Papyrology, Literary Papyri). We hope that many of our Readers will honour us with their presence in Warsaw, easily reachable from most corners of the world. Even if summers here occasionally tend to be rather hot, the recently modernised auditoria will provide for the optimal temperature of debates. Let it be yet another most cordial invitation to come to Warsaw in 2013!

On the sixth of June 2011 our *Alma Mater* festively renovated the PhD of Józef Méléze Modrzejewski once written under supervision of Rafał Taubenschlag and originally presented at the Faculty of History in 1957. The Senate of the University, having consulted as referees in the proceeding Prof. Prof. Eva Cantarella of the University of Milan, Roger Bagnall of New York University and Hans-Albert Rupprecht of the University of Marburg, undertook to confer to Modrzejewski the highest distinction available to its own pupils in recognition of his scientific eminence, international significance, close collaboration with Warsaw, and his contribution to education of generations of younger scholars – as Prof. Włodzimierz Lengauer, acting as the ceremonial supervisor in the proceedings, underlined in his *laudatio*. Modrzejewski responded in his inimitable witty and erudite style with an Encomium of Papyrology, presenting the numerous audience with the benefits and advantages of our science for the general public. *Ad plurimos annos*, dear Józef!

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