

**UA Historical Encounters Series Event VII:  
The Heart of Eastern Europe Revisited -  
A Look at Lithuanian-Polish-Ukrainian Relations  
Past-Present-Future**

**September 21, 2024**

**New York NY**

**Forum Venue: Ukrainian Institute of America [Second Floor – Main Hall]**

**12:45 PM – 1:00 PM – A Word of Welcome**

- Kathy Nalywajko (President/Ukrainian Institute of America)

**1:00 PM – 2:30 PM Session One – Lithuanian-Polish-Ukrainian Relations: The Historical Dimension**

Discussion Leader: Frank Sysyn [CIUS Jacyk Centre Director & Professor of History/University of Alberta]

Speakers:

- Agnia Grigas [Senior Fellow/Atlantic Council of the United States]
- John Micgiel [Visiting Professor/East Central European Center/University of Warsaw]
- Adrian Karatnycky [Author of 'Battleground Ukraine']

*Suggested Themes*

- *Pierwsza Rzeczpospolita*
- *Intermarium Project*
- *Cold War Anti Soviet Resistance*

**2:30 PM – 2:40 PM Coffee Break**

**2:40 PM – 3:55 PM Session Two - Lithuanian-Polish-Ukrainian Relations: Divining the Present & Future State of Affairs [State to State]**

Discussion Leader: Lubomyr Hajda [Scholar/Harvard Ukrainian Research Institute]

Speakers:

- Jan Pieklo [PL Ambassador to UA 2015-2018]
- Juozas Kazlas [OSCE Mission Officer to Ukraine 2014-2015]
- Ostap Kryvdyk [Director/Ukrainian Strategic Initiative Project/KMA National University]

*Suggested Themes:*

- *The PAUCI Legacy*
- *Lublin Triangle Initiative*
- *Three Seas Paradigm*

**3:55 PM – 5:10 PM Session Three - Lithuanian-Polish-Ukrainian Relations: Divining the Present & Future State of Affairs [US Diaspora to US Diaspora]**

Discussion Leader: Herman Pirchner [President/American Foreign Policy Council]

Speakers:

- Frank Spula (President/Polish National Congress)
- John Platakis (Chairman/Lithuanian National Hall of Fame)
- Andrew Futey (President/Ukrainian Congress Committee of America)

*Suggested Themes:*

*Networking on Political Matters of Common Concern*

*Coordinating on Informational Matters of Common Concern*

*Cooperating on Educational Matters of Common Concern*

**5:10 PM – 5:30 PM – A Final Word on the Matter**

- Janusz Onyszkiewicz [Minister of Defense of Poland 1992-1993/1997-2000]

**5:45 PM – 7:00 PM Post Forum Reception [Members' Room – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor]**