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Prof. Walery Pisarek, the father of Polish media studies and Prof. Tomasz Goban-Klas during the plenary session in Collegium Maius (Photo: Piotr Idem)

The Opening Session of took place in the medieval Collegium Maius Hall at the Jagiellonian University, the first Polish university founded in 1364. The conference was part of the 60-year-old anniversary of the Press Research Center [Ośrodek Badań Prasoznawczych] in Krakow, the leading Polish center of academic research dedicated to the mass media (1956–1990), and today it is the academic department at the Jagiellonian University (since 1990). Among the conference participants there were a lot of prominent Polish scholars and, representatives of other disciplines representing several generations of researchers. Many of them derive from the Press Research Centere and performed managerial functions of the Center for several years as prof. Walery Pisarek, Tomasz Goban-Klas, Jerzy Mikułowski Pomorski, Jerzy Bralczyk and others. Many of them derive from the Press Research Center and/or performed managerial functions of the Center over the last several years. More than 90 participants representing several domestic universities and research institutions as well as several foreign universities presented nearly 70 papers. Almost half of the conference papers were presented by senior academic staff members. At the end of the conference there was a panel discussion on the new challenges for journalism and international communication in relation to the future of Europe (Lutz Hagenand Oliver Quiring from Germany, and Snežana Venovska-Antevska (Republic of Macedonia).

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