

## **Education**

2015-2019 - Polish Academy of Science, Institute of Political Studies,

Degree: PhD in Political Studies

2015-2017 - University of Warsaw, The Institute of Classical Studies

Bachelor studies in Classics

2012-2015 - University of Warsaw, Institute of Philosophy

Doctoral studies in Philosophy

2010-2012 - Jagiellonian University, Institute of Culture

Degree: M.A. in Cultural Studies

2006-2010 - The Pontifical University in Cracow, Philosophy Department

Degree: M.A. in Philosophy

## **Professional experience**

2019-present – Adjunct, Polish Academy of Science, Institute of Political Studies

April 2025 – May 2025 – Visiting Fellow, New York University, Center for European and Mediterranean Studies

2019-2023 – Academic teacher, Institute of Polish Culture, Warsaw University

2020-2021 – Visiting Fellow, The Institute for Human Sciences (IWM) in Vienna

2015-2019 – Research Assistant, Polish Academy of Science, Institute of Political Studies

## **Selected Awards**

2025 – Core Fellowship program, Institute for Advanced Study at Central European University in Budapest

2020 – Józef Tischner Fellowship, The Institute for Human Sciences (IWM) in Vienna

2020 – Finalist of the Barbara Skarga Award

## **Selected Papers**

Pospiszyl, M., *On the Edge of Power: Peasants and Escape Ecologies in Eastern Europe, c. 1700–1850*, “The Journal of Modern History”, 2026/2 (forthcoming).

Pospiszyl, M., *Muddy Road Politics: Jewish Commoners, Ecology and the Enlightenment in Eastern Europe*, „Environmental Humanities”, 2026 (forthcoming).

Pospiszyl, M., *The Fifth Element: The Enlightenment and the Draining of Eastern Europe*, “Environmental History”, 2023/2.

### **Books**

Pospiszyl, M., *Decomposition. Essays on the Relationship of State and Pathogens* [in polish], PWN: Warsaw 2021.

Pospiszyl, M., Czeczot, K., *Romantic Anti-capitalism* [in polish], IBL PAN: Warsaw 2018.

Pospiszyl, M., *To Stop the History. Walter Benjamin and Minority Materialism* [in polish], IBL PAN: Warsaw 2016.

### **Current Research Projects**

2023-2026 – *Civilizing by Draining: An Environmental History of Eastern European Mud*: Project Manager in the research project awarded by the National Science Centre. The result will be a monograph on the social and environmental history of eastern European wetlands.

2022-2026 – *Romanticism According to New Sources*: Researcher in the research project awarded by the National Program for the Development of the Humanities in Poland. The result will be an anthology on romantic ecologies.

### **Selected Presentations**

Pospiszyl, M., *Decolonising Eastern European Ecologies: Peasants, Environment, and Rulers in the Age of Enlightenment*, in: Eastern European Workshop, New York University, April 2025 (as a keynote speaker).

Pospiszyl, M., *Corrupted Nature: Environmental and Social Resistance to Canal Building and Swamp Drainage in Eastern Europe, 1760-1830*, in: The American Society for Environmental History 2025 Annual Conference, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, April 2025

Pospiszyl, M., *Natural Ally: Eastern Europe and Escape Ecologies*, in: *Bordering Nature: Reimagining borders against the climate of crisis*, University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu, September 2023 (as a keynote speaker).

Pospiszyl, M., *The Eighteenth-Century Revolutions, and the Birth of the Plebs in the Political Discourse of the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth*, in: The History of Concepts Conference, Warsaw, September 2023.

Pospiszyl, M., *The Republic of Marshes: Eastern Europe and Fugitive Ecologies*, in: *Shifty Muds. Land, Water and Life in a 'Patchy Anthropocene'*, New Europe College Institute for Advanced Studies, Bucharest, June 2023.

Pospiszyl, M., *Erase the Traces! Visibility, Enlightenment and Swamp Maroons in Eastern Europe*, in: *Nomad Properties. Political Anthropologies of Nomadism from the 18th Century until Today*, Erfurt, July 2022 (as a keynote speaker).

Pospiszyl, M., *The Art of Living in the Swamp. Enlightenment and Environmental History of the Polesia Wetlands*, in: *Non-Western Approaches in Environmental Humanities*, Warsaw, July 2022.