

DESCRIPTION FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC

The project focuses on the under-researched and under-appreciated part of scholarly achievements of one of the most distinguished Polish and European lawyers, logicians, legal theorists and legal philosophers of the 20th century - Zygmunt Ziemiński. What I mean here is legal sociology and his sociological take on jurisprudence. Even though Ziemiński is widely recognized in the European scholarly circles, his contribution to legal sociology is not that well known. In this research I will attempt to uncover, investigate and analyse his unpublished and not known works written in the sociology angle.

Is in an innovative project as it focuses on Ziemiński's unpublished works that so far have not been taken into account in the scholarly discourse. An analysis of these unpublished materials may help understand not only Ziemiński's contribution to legal sociology, but also a broader context of today's problems in jurisprudence. This research is important not only for legal science, but also for sociology, philosophy, political and historical science.

It has been assumed that Ziemiński's works on legal sociology, discovered and analysed, may prove valid in the context of contemporary challenges, such as human rights and migrations or as an underlying base of legal crises. The research results are expected to contribute to the development of legal science and to a better understanding of how law is perceived and what is its place in society.

The research methodology involves examining, preparing and cataloguing of Ziemiński's unpublished works, an analysis focused on identification of key motifs, concepts and arguments in his works, consultations with experts and also a publication and dissemination of results at scientific conferences or scholarly seminars and in the form of scholarly articles.

This project will be based on the assumptions of the logical and linguistic method and a method involving the analysis of the legal theory in reference to Ziemiński's body of writings collected and archived by the Polish Academy of Sciences in 2021. These collections include more than two hundred robust archival pieces that include unique and priceless scholarly works.

The research will allow the expansion of knowledge on the scholarly activity of this incredibly renown legal theorist. As a result of the research Ziemiński's essential concepts and theories will be identified and analysed, which will contribute to the development of jurisprudence. Ziemiński was a pioneer in researching selected aspects of the social operation of law, which he started in the early 1950s, many years before other legal theorists, which makes him a pioneer in this field. His unpublished works may prove key to the understanding of his general contribution to the legal sociology, but also to the understanding of revolution of this field of research.

Additionally, the results of the project may contribute to the deepening of the discussion on the role of legal sociology in contemporary legal science. The analysis of Ziemiński's unpublished works will aim at a better understanding of what theoretical and practical problems legal sociology could address and solutions it may propose.