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This volume is the result of a conference held at the Faculty of History and Political Sciences of the Pedagogical University of Kraków in October 2006 invited researchers from many countries around the world to the Pedagogical University of Kraków to participate in the conference "History as an Instrument of Citizenship Education and Conflict". The aim of the conference was to analyse various types of using and abusing the past in contemporary international politics and to provide advice on the ways of identifying and clearing them, as well as possible ways of using such historical disputes, and what prevent them to be used for negative effects. Twenty-five participants from fourteen countries represented the institution. The presentations prepared by participants also covered a wide range of topics, ranging from studies dealing with theoretical issues of foreign policy of the foreign historical policy of individual countries, and issues of the long-term, as well as communications relating to certain particular and specific situations of the political use of the historical past, as well as analyses devoted to ways to evaluate and prevent the instrumentalization of history.

This volume presents the outcomes of this forum, opinions, very important and inspiring conclusions it would be good to remember that the organizers

