Theism upoważniają do jedynie umiarkowanego optymizmu w tym względzie.

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Roman DAROWSKI, S.J., Studies in the Philosophy of the Jesuits in Poland in the 16th to 18th Centuries, Cracow / Kraków 1999, School of Philosophy and Education Ignatianum, 266 pages.

This book contains the papers on the philosophy of Jesuits in Poland in the 16th to 18th centuries. Most of them were previously published in foreign languages, in various revues both in Poland and abroad.

The bibliography at the end of this book embraces the history of the philosophy of Jesuits in Poland and Lithuania in the 16th to 18th centuries. It mentions the books and papers published in the last 25 years. So, it constitutes a supplement to the article État actuel des recherches sur l’enseignement de la philosophie dans les collèges des Jésuites de Pologne du XVIe au XVIIIe siècle first published in 1977.

The aim of this collection is to give to the reader the opportunity to have the dispersed contributions collected together in one volume and so to facilitate the study of the Jesuit philosophy.

The book contains the following texts:
1. État actuel des recherches sur l’enseignement de la philosophie dans les collèges des Jésuites de Pologne du XVIe au XVIIIe siècle
2. John Hay and the Origins of Philosophy in Lithuania
3. Pedro Viana (1549–1609) y su actividad filosófica en Polonia
4. Pedro Viana SJ (1549-1609) et son activité de philosophe en Lituanie
5. First Aristotelians of Vilnius [Hay, Viana, Krakor]
6. Die philosophische Tätigkeit von Johannes Klein (1556–1601)
7. Jean Gerardinus (1563-1606), un jésuite belge, professeur de philosophie en Pologne
8. Diego Ortiz (1564–1625), profesor de filosofía en Polonia
9. Nuevas fuentes de la actividad filosófica de Diego Ortiz (1564-1625) en Polonia
10. L’activité philosophique de Diego Ortiz (1564–1625) en Pologne et en Lituanie
11. Richard Singleton (1566–1602), first Professor of Philosophy at Braniewo
12. Wojciech Sokolowski (1586-1631) et sa philosophie
13. Gorgonius Ageison (1604-1665), Professor an der Wilnaer Akademie
14. Adrien Miaskowski (1657-1737) en tant que philosophe
Roman DAROWSKI, S.J., Studia z filozofii jezuitów w Polsce XVII i XVIII wieku [The Studies on the Jesuit Philosophy in Poland in the 17th and 18th Centuries], Kraków 1998, Wydział Filozoficzny Towarzystwa Jezusowego, pp. 372.

The subject of Prof. Roman Darowski's book is the philosophical heritage of Polish Jesuits in the 17th and 18th centuries. Darowski, who is himself a priest from the Jesuit Order, is a representative philosopher-historian, engaged in historical research of the Jesuit philosophy in Poland. The author tells us also about his own experiences in this field (pp. 347-360). His study is an abundant synthesis of his own investigations into the subject.

The author starts his monograph with a presentation of the actual state of the investigations in Jesuit philosophy in Poland and Lithuania in the 17th and 18th centuries (pp. 9-60). In this part of the book he addresses the new questions in the subject and possible perspectives of future research.

The philosophy of the Polish Jesuits in these two centuries was strictly connected with the development of teaching programs in the schools and colleges led by this order. The proper point of reference in