

Annexe 2.2 - Annex 2.2 - ARGUMENTS IN FAVOUR OF THE PROJECT

Various arguments militate in favour of the choice of the project:

1/ the object of study examined follows on from the research programme of the universities of Sorbonne, Saarbrücken, Bochum and Tübingen which was an ANR-DFG programme carried out between 2013 and 2017. This programme is now being extended by studies by researchers published in a collection created by the German publisher Metropol Verlag (three books published in 2014, 2018, 2020 and a review book to be published in German and English). The focus is now on the internal displacement of people within states, distinct from refugees, exiles and international labour migration. The period 1939-40 was the subject of the 2013-17 programme and the current studies focus on the 1940s.

2/ This programme was the subject of a book under the direction of Olivier Forcade, M. Dubois, J. Grossman, F. Lemmes, R. Hudemann, *Exils intérieurs. Les déplacements de population à la frontière franco-allemande 1939-1940*, Paris, PUPS, 2017, 397 p., then *Prace Historyczne* 2019, 146(3) edited by Pawel Sekowski, Olivier Forcade and Rainer Hudemann, "Migrations, Migrants and Refugees in the 19-21st Centuries in the interdisciplinary approach", p. 517-672 and forthcoming publications including a special issue of the peer-reviewed journal *Histoire économie et société (HES)*, 2022/1, analysing the population displacements in the 1940s.

3/ The round table includes German, Polish and French researchers who have worked on comparisons of European and non-European spaces. They are currently pursuing this specific research on internal displacement from a national and international perspective. It is to be noted that the interventions will mainly focus on humanitarian aspects, bilateral and international diplomatic issues, and cultural and economic aspects.