

Summary

**CHARACTER OF WORLD WAR II  
ON THE TERRITORY OF THE FORMER YUGOSLAVIA**

The necessity to objectively view historical facts is a principle which stands high above all the other principles of a competent historiography. Yet, historical distance and new circumstances could initiate a reevaluation of historical truths, which sometimes figure as such for a long time. In such occasions a new reading of history often goes to the extreme of undermining the verifiably valuable and the glorification of the insufficiently researched and dubious. The aim of this article is not to rectify historical injustices, nor to invite you to undertake a new reading of history. It should only function as an illustration of the existence of insufficiently researched or deliberately ignored characteristics of something that had all the qualities of a civil war on the territory of Yugoslavia during World War II.