



THE ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT 2006

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I. INTRODUCTION

The present report describes the activities of the Institute of Public Affairs during year 2006. During this period the IPA was carrying out 50 projects and organized 65 seminars and conferences, including a number of international events. We have also published more than 37 books, reports, policy briefs and public statements. The IPA experts have been very active in disseminating results of our work and have participated in numerous conferences, seminars, round tables and study trips. The overall level of our activity was similar to last year, although we have observed more activities directly aiming at local communities, which is in the first place the result of the implementation of our EQUAL project.

The key achievements of the Institute during the reporting period include:

- conducting a series of public debates on the future of EU Constitution and publishing a broadly discussed policy brief with recommendations for the Polish government strategy in this area;
- conducting public opinion surveys in Poland, France and Germany and organizing a series of well-publicized international seminars and conferences on the topic of Polish-German and Polish-French relations in Warsaw and Berlin;
- organizing a high level conference on the cooperation between Poland and Nordic states in developing EU Eastern policy dimension
- building up a partnership of more than 40 local NGOs in order to implement local employment projects and disseminate the idea of social entrepreneurship;
- publishing subsequent issues of *The Third Sector* - the only quarterly magazine in Poland devoted to problems of civil society and non-governmental organizations as well as conducting several studies and monitoring the legal provisions related to the Polish NGOs;
- organizing an international conference on the state of civil society in transition countries;
- preparing concrete proposals for voter-friendly reform of the electoral law and working with the media and MPs in order to build up support for their implementation;
- preparing (in association with the Stefan Batory Foundation) a report on the financing of the 2005 presidential campaign as well as developing extensive recommendations for the changes in the rules of funding and supervising the presidential elections;
- preparing and disseminating a report with recommendations for the use of electronic instruments (e-government) in preventing corruption in public administration;
- conducting a series of experts' discussions on the issue of improving the access of citizens to the justice system as well as conducting a grant program for local NGOs providing free legal advice;
- monitoring EU policies towards the neighbouring states and organizing a series of international debates on such questions as visa policies, further EU enlargement and democracy promotion;
- conducting a number of international training programmes and study visits for young policy researchers;

- preparing a report on the consequences of labour migrations from Poland and detailed recommendations for return migration policy and working with key decision makers on the implementation of these recommendations;
- organizing an international conference on the state of politics in Central Europe in the aftermath of Poland's local and regional elections.

Throughout the year, members of IPA staff have actively participated in the Polish public life as commentators of the developments on the Polish political scene. The IPA maintained and perhaps even strengthened its role as a source of independent informed opinion for Polish and international media on a great number of issues. The frantic pace of change in Polish politics as well as the illiberal trends in Polish democracy remain at the center of our attention as the key challenge that we need to address as part of our mission.

II. THE EUROPEAN PROGRAMME

Programme Supervision: Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Jacek Kucharczyk

Programme Team: Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz, Mateusz Fałkowski, Piotr Maciej Kaczyński, Karolina Sobiecka (Programme coordinator)

In 2006 we focused on the Polish debate on the future of the EU institutional reform and the Constitutional Treaty. We organised a series of public debates attended by politicians and experts as well as published a policy brief that analysed possible scenarios of the European politics development with regard to the future of the Treaty and presented policy recommendations for Poland. The IPA experts were often invited by the media. We also took an active part in the activities of expert and research organisations networks (including the EPIN in Brussels and the PASOS in Prague) and participated in the development of international reports and analyses.

One of the most important achievements of the IPA European Programme in 2006 was the study on the mutual perceptions of Poles and Germans and Poles and the French. The outcome of this study received broad attention in the country and abroad and has been a point of reference for the discussion on the current state and the possible evolution of the relations between Poland and the two countries.

The IPA also took part in debates on the opportunities and challenges associated with Poland's membership in the EU (migrations, European funds). We conducted a range of public debates on how the Lubelskie, Opolskie and Łódzkie voivodships made use of the "European opportunity". We will continue to work on these topics in the next few years.

PROJECTS

In 2006 we focused our activity within the European Programme on three thematic areas: the future of European integration; the EU foreign policy; and the European development model.

Key Figures:

- Number of projects: 16
- Number of grants: 8
- Number of print publications: 9
- Number of conferences and seminars: 19

1. THE FUTURE OF EUROPEAN INTEGRATION

Project: "Poles' attitudes towards the EU and the Constitutional Treaty"

Project coordination: Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz

The project focused on the analysis of the social perceptions of the Constitutional Treaty, the EU as well as particular policies aiming at solving the EU crisis after the referenda in France and the Netherlands. As a result of the project, we prepared a report on Poles' attitudes towards the deeper integration and the EU constitution.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: May - June 2006

Source of funding: Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the EU department

Project: „The Constitutional Treaty: Looking for new solutions”

Project coordination: Piotr Maciej Kaczyński

In cooperation with the Polish Institute of International Affairs, the IPA organised a series of four seminars on issues around the Constitutional Treaty. We also organised a conference concluding the project and published a report *The Future of the Constitutional Treaty – Strategy for Poland*.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: January – May 2006

Source of funding: own resources (together with the Polish Institute of International Affairs)

Project: “Public perceptions of the two years of Poland’s membership in the EU”

Project coordination: Piotr Maciej Kaczyński

We prepared a report on the public perceptions of the 2 years of Poland’s membership in the EU and presented it at the international conference in Stockholm. Polish and Swedish foreign ministers took part in this meeting.

Status of the project : completed

Implementation period: March - May 2006

Source of funding: Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Project: „The influence of the European integration on the Polish political scene”

Project coordination: Jarosław Cwiek-Karpowicz

This project focuses on the analysis of the European integration’s influence on the Polish political parties on the basis of the activity of Polish members of the European Parliament. We have conducted interviews with Polish MEPs and developed a draft version of the report.

Status of the project : in progress

Implementation period: August 2006 - July 2007

Source of funding: Friedrich Ebert Foundation

Project: “Tomorrow’s Europe”

Project coordinator: Karolina Sobiecka

As part of the Plan-D for Democracy, Dialogue and Debate, the European Commission supports a range of initiatives aimed at encouraging citizen participation in the dialogue on the European policy. The project, implemented by the Notre Europe Foundation in

cooperation with many European organisations (including the Gallup Europe, Friends of Europe), aims to conduct a pan-European *deliberative poll*®, in other words, a public opinion survey combined with a public debate.

Status of the project: in progress

Implementation period: May 2006 - December 2007

Source of funding: the European Commission

2. THE FOREIGN POLICY OF POLAND AND THE EU

Project: „Democracy Promotion – the challenges for the transatlantic community”

Project coordinator: Piotr Maciej Kaczyński

We published a report titled „Assisting Negotiated Transition to Democracy” and organised a number of seminars and public debates on democracy promotion by the US and EU institutions.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: April 2005 – September 2006

Source of funding: German Marshall Fund

Project: „Mutual perceptions of Poles and Germans”

Project coordination: Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz

The project was the continuation of the study of mutual perceptions of Poles and Germans conducted before the EU enlargement in 2004. The aim of this project was to assess the extent to which the EU enlargement influenced the mutual perceptions of the two nations. We wanted to see whether the enlargement helped to refute old stereotypes as well as what new challenges it posed for the Polish-German relations within the EU. We conducted public opinion survey in both countries, published a number of policy briefs and communications which were presented at many conferences as well as published a report in both Polish and German language versions.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: September 2005-December 2006

Source of funding: Konrad Adenauer Foundation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Robert Bosch Foundation, Polish-German Cooperation Foundation

Project: „Mutual perceptions of Poles and the French”

Project coordinator: Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz

This project was the continuation of mutual perceptions survey from 1999-2001. The aim of this project was to examine to what extent the EU enlargement and political and economic events influenced the mutual perceptions of Poles and the French. In cooperation with Robert Schuman Foundation we conducted opinion polls in Poland and France as well as published reports in Polish and French, which were presented at our conferences.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: November 2005 – December 2006

Source of funding: the French Embassy in Warsaw, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Robert Schumann Foundation, Société Générale, Conseillers du Commerce Extérieur de la France, Telekomunikacja Polska

Project: “Poland – Germany – France. Mutual perceptions and cooperation in the European Union”

Project coordinator: Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz

A month before the Weimar triangle summit the IPA organised a Polish-German-French conference. We presented our reports on mutual perceptions as well as organised panel discussions attended by Polish and foreign experts. The project was implemented in cooperation with Robert Schuman Foundation (Paris), and Konrad Adenauer Foundation.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: September – November 2006

Source of funding: Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Konrad Adenauer Foundation, Foundation for Polish-German Cooperation

Project: “Political scenarios for Europe and its neighbourhood”

Project coordinator: Piotr Maciej Kaczyński

This project focused on the analysis of the effects of the four scenarios of the development of the political situation in Europe and its neighbourhood. The scenarios were developed with regard to two variables: the future of the Constitutional Treaty and the further enlargement of the EU.

Status of the project : completed

Implementation period: February 2006 – October 2006

Source of funding: Euromesco

Project: “Poland and the Nordic states: Cooperation for Eastern policy of the European Union”

Project coordinator: Piotr Maciej Kaczyński

On the eve of the EU-Russia summit, the IPA, in cooperation with the embassies of the Nordic states, the Nordic Council and the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, organised an international conference on the European Neighbourhood Policy and the priorities of the EU policy towards Russia.

Status of the project : completed

Implementation period: April 2006 – November 2006

Source of funding: the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, the Nordic Council, the Danish Embassy, the Finnish Embassy, the Norwegian Embassy, the Swedish Embassy

Project: “Polish foreign policy at the crossroads”

Project coordinator: Piotr Maciej Kaczyński

Poland's membership in the EU and the changes of the political scene resulting from 2005 presidential and parliamentary elections brought about the end of the 15-year-period of consensus over the Polish foreign policy. The aim of this project is to draft possible scenarios of the Polish foreign policy development as well as to analyse the positions of the six main

political parties. Three variables are taken into consideration in our analysis: the relations with the US, the position of Poland in the EU and the position of Poland towards the Eastern European states (especially Ukraine, Belarus, the Russian Federation and Moldova).

Status of the project: in progress

Implementation period: October 2006 – November 2007

Source of funding: German Marshall Fund of the US

Project: “The observatory of the European Union–Latin America relations”

Project coordinator: Piotr Maciej Kaczyński

Following the enlargement of the European Union, Poland intensified its contacts with foreign policy analysts in the old and new member states. In 2004 the IPA became a member of a consortium that encourages cooperation between research institutions and non-governmental organisations in European Union and Latin American countries. This project comprises organisation of study visits, conferences and seminars.

Status of the project: continuation

Implementation period: November 2004 – November 2007

Source of funding: The European Commission (DG Relex)

3. POLAND AND THE EUROPEAN MODEL OF DEVELOPMENT

Project: „How to talk about the European Union?”

Project coordination: Piotr Maciej Kaczyński

The aim of this project is to initiate public debates on the EU integration as part of the “reflection period” announced by the European Council after the Constitution referendums in France and the Netherlands. So far, the IPA organised three conferences in Lublin, Łódź and Opole. The last conference is planned for the beginning of 2007 in Kielce.

Status of the project: continuation

Implementation period: March 2006 - March 2007

Source of funding: Information Office of the European Parliament

Project: „New Modes of Governance”

Project supervision: Prof. Lena Kolarska-Bobińska

Project coordination: Piotr Maciej Kaczyński

This project is part of the international research project *New Modes of Governance*. The IPA carries out research and analysis of the level of implementation of new modes of public tasks’ management (e.g. participatory governance, privatisation and marketisation of the state tasks, decentralisation of governance) in the new EU member states. We analyse the cultural, historical and social conditions of the introduction of the new modes of governance and the optimal ways of their implementation in Poland, Lithuania and Estonia. The main research method we are applying is public institutions case studies.

Status of the project : continuation

Implementation period: September 2004 – September 2007

Source of funding: the European Commission, the VI Framework Programme, Ministry of Science and Higher Education

Project: „The Polish ABC...”

Project coordination: Jarosław Cwiek-Karpowicz

The aim of the project is to provide information for foreign investors on current changes in Poland in the form of reports, briefs and multimedia presentations.

Status of the project : continuation

Implementation period: July 2005 - December 2006

Source of funding: Dalkia Polska SA

SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

- „The new treaty for Europe? The axiology and structure of the future EU.” Conference as part of the cycle of conferences on the Constitutional Treaty, organised in cooperation with the Polish Institute of International Affairs – 27 January 2006.
- “Solidarity and competitiveness.” Conference as part of the cycle of conferences on the Constitutional Treaty, organised in cooperation with the Polish Institute of International Affairs – 17 February 2006.
- International conference organised together with the German Marshall Fund and Boell Foundation: „Prospects for Democracy in Belarus” – 28 January 2006.
- Interim seminar concluding the first part of *the New Modes of Governance* project – 20 February 2006.
- “European Foreign and Security Policy.” Conference as part of the cycle of conferences on the Constitutional Treaty, organised in cooperation with the Polish Institute of International Affairs – 17 March 2006.
- Council of Europe NGOs Congress. Panel discussion on cooperation between non-governmental organisations in Central and Eastern Europe – 25 March 2006.
- “Together in the EU. Germans through Poles’ eyes 2000-2005.” Apart from the IPA experts, well known commentators of Polish-German relations took part in this conference – 5 April 2006.
- Citizens’ Forum: „Lubelskie region in the EU, threats and opportunities”, commissioned by the Information Office of the European Parliament, Lublin – 10 April 2006.
- „Internal security and democratisation.” Conference as part of the Constitutional Treaty meetings cycle, organised in cooperation with the Polish Institute of International Affairs – 28 April 2006.
- Conference concluding the cycle of meetings devoted to the Constitutional Treaty, organised in cooperation with the Polish Institute of International Affairs – 24 May 2006.
- Conference titled “Polish Plumber Conquers Europe” commissioned by the Information Office of the European Parliament as part of the cycle: “How to talk about the EU”, Opole – 2 June 2006.
- Conference: “Together in Europe. Poles through the Germans’ eyes 2000-2006.” Well known commentators of German-Polish relations took part in this conference – 28 June 2006.

- Conference: "Mutual perceptions of Poles and the French: 2000 - 2006" – 28 September 2006.
- Seminar: „Poland as a promoter of democracy” – 29 September 2006.
- Conference: „Polish-German Dialogue Forum”, Berlin – 17 October 2006.
- Conference: „Poland-France-Germany. Mutual perceptions and cooperation in the European Union” – 6 November 2006.
- Conference: "Poland and Nordic states. Cooperation for the Eastern policy of the EU " – 16 November 2006.
- Expert seminar as part of the project titled "The Influence of the European integration process on the Polish political scene " – 29 November 2006.
- Seminar: „The future of the European Neighbourhood Policy” – 4 December 2006.
- Conference: „The Promised Land, or how the Łódzkie voivodship makes use of the EU opportunities for development”, Łódź – 9 December 2006.

PROGRAMME PUBLICATIONS

Expert opinions, research reports, recommendations:

- Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Jacek Kucharczyk, Beata Roguska, Piotr Maciej Kaczyński, „Social Perceptions of the Results of Poland’s EU Membership”, May 2006.
- Krzysztof Bobiński (PISM), Jacek Kucharczyk, Tadeusz Chabiera (PISM), Piotr Maciej Kaczyński, Maciej Krzysztofowicz (PISM), *The Future of the Constitutional Treaty – a Strategy for Poland*. The ISP-PISM Report, May 2006 (PL).
- Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz, „Poles’ Attitudes to the EU and the Constitutional Treaty – the IPA Report, May 2006 (PL).
- Mateusz Fałkowski, *Together in the EU. Germans through the Eyes of Poles 2000 – 2006*. The IPA Report, 2006 (PL).
- Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz, “The Social Perception of Russia and Germany: Fears and Hopes”, communication on the IPA research, March 2006 (PL).
- Mateusz Fałkowski, Agnieszka Popko, „Germans about Poles and Poland 2000 – 2006. Main Research Conclusions”, June 2006 (PL).
- *The Polish Constitution and Poland’s Membership in the EU. Conference Report*, July 2006 (PL).
- „Germans on the Centre against Expulsions”, August 2006.
- Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz, Piotr Maciej Kaczyński, *Assisting Negotiated Transition to Democracy. Lessons from Poland 1980-1999*, September 2006.
- Mateusz Fałkowski, Agnieszka Popko, „Poles and Germans. Mutual Perceptions after the EU Enlargement”, October 2006 (PL).
- Mateusz Fałkowski, Agnieszka Popko, „Polen und Deutsche. Gegenseitige Wahrnehmungen nach der Osterweiterung der Europäischen Union“, October 2006.
- Michał Warchala, *Les Polonais et les Français. Leur image réciproque après l’adhésion à UE*, November 2006.
- Michał Warchala. *Poles and the French. Mutual perceptions after the EU enlargement*, November 2006 (PL).

- Piotr Maciej Kaczyński, Piotr Kaźmierkiewicz, Ali Tekin (FPI, Ankara) „Southern Mediterranean and Eastern European perspectives on the EU’s future dilemmas and the European Neighbourhood Policy”, December 2006.
- Piotr Maciej Kaczyński, Piotr Kaźmierkiewicz, Ali Tekin „Les perspectives de la Méditerranée du Sud et de l’Europe de l’Est sur les futurs dilemmes de l’UE et la Politique Européenne de Voisinage”, 2006.
- Tomasz Grzegorz Grosse, Mateusz Falkowski, Olga Napiontek, „Social Dialogue in Poland”, December 2006.

Analyses and Opinions (PL):

- Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz. “Poland against a Terrorist Attack. The Relevant Preparations and Effective Reactions in Order to Minimalise the Effects of a Tragedy”, no 46.
- Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz. “Polish Foreign Policy towards Russian – Challenges for the New Government”, no 58.
- Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz, „The European Union Should Become the Leader in Democracy Promotion in Russia”, nr 65 (PL and ENG).

PARTICIPATION OF THE STAFF AND EXPERTS IN THE PROGRAMME RESULTS DISSEMINATION

Prof. Lena Kolarska-Bobińska

- Member of the Committee of Sociology of the Polish Academy of Sciences
- Member of the Scientific Council of the Institute of Social Studies of the University of Warsaw
- Member of the Supervisory Council of the Central European University Foundation
- Member of the Consultation Committee the Polish Confederation of Private Employers
- Member of the Steering Committee of the “New Modes of Governance” project within the Sixth Framework project of the European Union
- Member of the Council of the Ombudsman
- Member of the Council for Socio-economic Strategy, Cabinet of Ministers
- Member of the Program Board of the “Civil Service” periodical

Participation in conferences and seminars:

- Participation in the meeting: “US-Europe-Eurasia Working Group”, Chatham House – January 2006.
- Opening the PIIA/IPA seminar on the EU constitution – 27 January 2006.
- Opening of the conference: „Decentralization of social dialogue”, the IPA, Warsaw – January 2006.
- Presentation on the situation on Polish political scene, Washington – February 2006.
- Participation in the meeting of the steering committee of the project “New Modes Of Governance”, Florence – March 2006.
- Presentation at the conference: „16 years of Polish democracy”, Lublin – April 2006.
- Moderation of the panel discussion at the conference: „Lubelskie Voivodship in the EU – chances and challenges”, the IPA, the European Parliament, Lublin – April 2006.

- Polish-German Press conference – April 2006.
- Opening the PIIA/IPA seminar on the EU constitution – May 2006.
- Intervention at the discussion „The Heirs to Solidarity: A Political Overview of the New Government” for Chicago Council on Foreign Relations, Warsaw – May 2006.
- Intervention at the seminar “Future of independent think tanks in new EU member states in Central & Eastern Europe”, the OSI, Budapest – May 2006.
- Presentation: “Public opinion surveys: between science and politics” at the conference “Standards in sociological research”, Committee of Sociology at the Polish Academy of Sciences and Polish Sociological Association, Warsaw – May 2006.
- Presentation: „How to talk about the EU?” at the conference entitled “The Polish plumber conquers Europe. Polish labour migrations – challenges and chances”, IPA, Press Office of the European Parliament, Opole – June 2006.
- Participation in the meeting: “Challenges for Europe, Russia and the other Former Soviet States”, Chatham House – June 2006.
- Participation in the conference of the project: “New Modes Of Governance”, Montecatini Terme – June 2006.
- Opening of the conference „Main problems of the public access to legal assistance: in search of solutions”, the IPA, Warsaw – June 2006.
- Moderation of panel discussion at the conference: “Controversy over the civil society in Poland”, the Institute of Philosophy and Sociology of the Polish Academy of Sciences, the Institute of Sociology of the University of Warsaw, Warsaw - June 2006.
- Opening of the conference: „German perceptions of Poles 2000-2006”, the IPA, Warsaw - June 2006.
- Participation in the debate organised by the daily newspaper *Rzeczpospolita* on Poland’s position within the European Union, Warsaw – June 2006.
- Intervention on the migration of Poles during the seminar organised by the Office of the Ombudsman, Nieborów - September 2006.
- Moderation of the panel discussion during the conference: “The third sector – Civil society – Government policy”, international conference, S. Batory Foundation, Warszawa – 2006.
- Participation at the EuroMeSCo Annual Conference, Istanbul – October 2006.
- Intervention at the “Polish-German dialogue forum” conference, organised by the IPA and Konrad Adenauer Foundation, Berlin – October 2006.
- Intervention: „The role of opinion polls in consolidating democracies”, during the “Understanding European Public Opinion” conference, the European Commission, Madrid - October 2006.
- Moderation of the panel discussion during the conference: „Poland – France – Germany. Mutual perceptions and cooperation in the European Union”, the IPA – November 2006.
- Opening and moderation of the panel discussion of the conference: “Poland - Nordic States. Cooperation for the Eastern Policy of the EU”, Warsaw – November 2006.
- Opening and moderation of the panel discussion of the conference: „The role of he economic culture in the process of transformation”, the IPA, the Sociology Institute of the University of Warsaw, Warsaw - November 2006.
- Intervention at the panel discussion: „The EU challenges – from the Polish perspective”, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Warsaw University, Warsaw – November 2006.

- Opening of the conference: “The Promised Land or how Łódzkie voivodship makes use of its opportunities for development”, Łódź - December 2006.
- Moderation of the panel discussion during the conference: „The future of the political scene in the Central and Eastern European states”, the IPA, Warsaw - December 2006.

Articles and other publications:

- Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Jacek Kucharczyk, Beata Roguska, Piotr Maciej Kaczyński, „Social Perception of the Results of Poland’s EU Membership”, May 2006.
- L. Kolarska-Bobińska, J. Kucharczyk, J. Zbieranek, *Active citizen, modern electoral system*, Warsaw 2006.
- „Do Poles like Democracy?”, *Gazeta Wyborcza*, 7 April 2006.
- “Poland-Germany. Mistrustful politicians, open peoples” (with Mateusz Fałkowski), *Gazeta Wyborcza*, 2 August 2006.
- “What developments should take place in the EU by 2020?” in *The Vision of Europe in the New Member States*, *Studies & Research*, no 50, Notre Europe, September 2006.
- Regular columnist for the internet portal *Wirtualna Polska* (weekly, from April 2006).
- A series of articles for the French daily newspaper *Les Echos* (monthly).
- “The Institutional Reform in Poland and making use of the European opportunities”, in *Single Poland? Old and new social diversities*, Sociology Committee of the Polish Academy of Science, the WAM, Crakow 2007.

Interviews and commentaries for the media:

The Polish media:

- The press: including *Gazeta Wyborcza*, *Rzeczpospolita*, *Dziennik*, *Dziennik Łódzki*, *Dziennik Wschodni*, *Gazeta Prawna*, *PAP*, *Newsweek*, *Sukces*, *Ozon*, *Przekrój*, *Metro*, *Kurier Lubelski*, *Kurier Poranny Białystok*, *Tygodnik Ciechanowski*, *Nowa Trybuna Opolska*, *Gazeta Współczesna*, *Gazeta Lubuska*, *Nowe Życie Gospodarcze*, *Warsaw Business Journal*, *Poland Monthly*, *Super Nowości*, *Ekspres Bydgoski*
- Television: TVP 1 („Wiadomości”, „Forum”), „TVP 2 („Panorama”, „Warto rozmawiać”), Polsat („Wydarzenia”), TVP 3, TVN 24, TVN , Telewizja Puls, TVP Polonia, TV5
- Radio: PR I, Radio Zet, TOK FM, PIN FM, Radio dla Ciebie

Foreign media:

- The press: *the Financial Times*, *Le Monde*, *Les Echos*, *the Associated Press*, a group of Swiss journalists, *Stern*, *the Chicago Tribune*, *The Independent*, *the DPA*, *Dow Jones*, *Lidové Noviny*, *Het financieele dagblad (the Netherlands)*, *L`Express*, *the AFP*
- Television: the TRT television (Turkey), BBC World, *MTV3 television (Finland)*,
- Radio: the BBC, the Washington Radio, the DRS radio (Switzerland), the National Public Radio (USA), France Inter, Radio France Internationale

Dr Jacek Kucharczyk, Director for Programming

- Deputy-chair of the Board of Directors of the *Policy Association for an Open Society (PASOS)*

- Representative of Poland in the contact group for non-governmental organisations of the World Bank (ECA NGO Working Group)
- Member of the Council for Cooperation with Non-governmental Organizations of Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Member of the Board of the Association of Non-governmental Organizations „Abroad”
- Member of the editorial board of „European Political Science”
- Member of the Experts’ Council of the „Citizen and Law” Programme
- Member of the jury of the competition for the most client-friendly public administration institution of the Office of the Civil Service

Participation in conferences and seminars:

- Chairing the seminar on internet as an instrument of corruption prevention organized by the IPA and Ministry of Interior – 12 January 2006.
- Chairing the IPA seminar on financing politics – 24 January 2006.
- Chairing the seminar on elections corruption organized by the IPA and Ministry of Interior – 26 January 2006.
- Moderation of a panel discussion at the international conference organised by the German Marshall Fund, the Boell Foundation and the IPA: „Prospects for Democracy in Belarus”, Warsaw - 28 January 2006.
- Participation in the conference of the project: „Save Public Assets”, Riga – 14-16 February 2006.
- Moderation of a panel discussion at the international conference organised by the German Marshall Fund, the Boell Foundation and the IPA: „Prospects for Democracy in Belarus”, Bratislava - 3 March 2006.
- Intervention at the IPA and Batory Foundation seminar on monitoring the financing presidential elections - 7 March 2006.
- Chairing the international IPA seminar on the European visa policies – 27 March 2006.
- Participation in the meeting of the Board of Directors of the *Policy Association for an Open Society PASOS*, Riga – 6-7 April 2006.
- Presentation of the results of the IPA and Batory Foundation project on monitoring the financing presidential elections – 19 May 2006.
- Intervention at the seminar: “Future of independent think tanks in new EU member states in Central & Eastern Europe”, OSI, Budapest – 30-13 May 2006.
- Presentation of the report: „The Future of The EU Constitutional Treaty – Strategy for Poland” at the conference summarizing a series of debates: „Constitutional Treaty. In the search of New solutions” – 24 May 2006.
- Presentation on the socio-political situation in Poland for a group of activists of non-governmental organizations from Uzbekistan, the IPA – 5 June 2006.
- Participation in the seminar of the British Council on the British and Polish experiences In the field of the policies of multiculturalism – 9 June 2006.
- Chairing the Polish-Ukrainian seminar on the EU visa and migration policies towards the Ukraine – 27 June 2006.
- Presentation on the socio-political situation in Poland for a group of journalists from Albania, the IPA - 28 June 2006.

- Presentation on the second edition of the programme „Citizen and Law” at the IPA and the Polish-American Freedom Foundation conference – 29 June 2006.
- Lecture for students of the EUROPEUM European Summer School: „Polish policy on the EU”, Prague –12 July 2006.
- Lecture: “Poland in the EU” for students of „Democracy & Diversity” Summer School organised by the New School University, Cracow – 20 July 2006.
- Participation in the seminar: „Save Public Assets” and presentation entitled „Corruption threats in the distribution of European funds”, Latvia – 31 July -1 August 2006.
- Participation in „Think-Tank Managers Workshop” organised by the NDRI/NED, Washington –11-15 September 2006.
- Participation (as a commentator) in the presentation of the results of the „Transatlantic Trends 2006” research for the German Marshall Fund of US, Warsaw – 20 September 2006.
- Chairing a panel discussion on the government’s policy towards non-governmental organisations at the IPA international conference concluding the KOMPAS project titled “The third sector – civil society – government policy”. Warsaw – 25 September 2006.
- Presentation on the changes on the Polish political scene at the conference: „Visegrad Elections: Domestic Impact and European Consequences”, the IVO, Bratislava – 27 September 2006.
- Chairing the IPA seminar: “Poland as a promoter of democracy”, Warsaw – 29 September 2006.
- Presentation on the change of perceptions of Poles and Poland after the EU enlargement at the „Economic promotion of Poland” conference, Warsaw University, Warsaw – 6 October 2006.
- Moderation of the panel discussion on the role of Turkey in the European policy towards the Central Asian states, the PASOS General Assembly, Istanbul – 18 October 2006.
- Lecture for a group of interns from Moldova, the IPA, Warsaw – 6 November 2006.
- Moderation of the panel discussion on the European Neighbourhood Policy, at the conference: “Poland – the Nordic States. Cooperation for the EU Eastern Policy”, Warsaw - 16 November 2006.
- Chairing the IPA seminar entitled “The Southern Mediterranean and Eastern European perspectives on the EU’s future dilemmas and the European Neighbourhood Policy”, Warsaw – 4 December 2006.
- Chairing the IPA conference “The EU enlargement for Balkans”, Warsaw – 11 December 2006.
- Moderation of panel discussion on the political scene in the Central Europe states at the IPA conference titled „The future of the political scene in the Central and Eastern Europe”, Warsaw – 11 December 2006.

Articles and other publications:

- „Assisting Democratic Transition in Belarus: Lessons from pre-1989 Poland”, in Joerg Forbring and David Marples, and Pavol Demes (eds.) *Prospects for Democracy in Belarus*, German Marshall Fund of US, 2006.
- *Social Perception of the Results of Poland’s EU Membership*, the IPA report, (co-author).
- *The Future of The EU Constitutional Treaty – Strategy for Poland* (co-author), IPA/PISM.
- “Primum Non Nocere”, in *Poland Monthly*, November 2006.

- “Polska powinna dyskutować o Konstytucji Europejskiej”, (Poland should have a debate on the European Constitution), “Gazeta Wyborcza”.

Interviews and commentaries for the media:

The Polish media:

- The Press: *Gazeta Wyborcza*, *Gazeta Prawna*, *Rzeczpospolita*, *Życie Warszawy*, *Dziennik Łódzki*, *Newsweek*, *Poland Monthly*
- Radio: regular cooperation with the Radio Polonia, PiN FM, Radio Zet, RMF FM, TOK FM, PR I, PR III Radio ESKA, Radio Plus
- Television: live interviews and commentaries for TVN24, TVN („Fakty”), Polsat („Informacje”) TVP1 („Wiadomości”, „Kwadrans po ósmej”), TVP2 („Panorama”), TVP3

The Foreign media:

- The press: Associated Press, « Washington Post », « Le Figaro », « La Cruix »
- The Czech television, the Danish TV2
- Radio: the BBC, the Danish public radio

Piotr Maciej Kaczyński, analyst/researcher

Articles and other publications:

- Piotr Maciej Kaczyński, „Commentary to ‘Saving Europe from Tyranny of Referendums’”, in „Europe’s World” no. 2, spring 2006.

Participation in conferences and seminars:

- Participation in the First Conference of OBREAL-EULARO, Lisbon – 2-4 March 2006.
- Moderation of panel discussion: “NGO sector in developing democracies” and the presentation of the IPA during the Congress of Non-governmental organisations of the Council of Europe, Warsaw – 24-26 March 2006.
- Participation in the conference: „Common Vision for Common Neighbourhood”, Vilnius – 3 May 2006
- Moderation of panel discussion during the meeting: „All different – all equal. Finding Europe – similarities and differences” – 10 May 2006.
- Presentation of the IPA report: „Social Perception of the Results of Poland's EU Membership” at the conference in Stockholm – 23 May 2006.
- Presentation on the Polish-German mutual perceptions research results at the 11th Silesian Seminar „Poland – Silesia -Germany”, Kamień Śląski – 25 September 2006.
- Presentation of the report recommendations „Assisting Negotiated Transition to Democracy. Lessons from Poland 1980-1999” during the seminar: “Poland as a promoter of democracy”, Warsaw – 29 September 2006.
- Participation in the panel discussion: „Belarus and the European Union”, Warsaw – 13 October 2006.
- Reporter of the working group on cooperation between political parties and non-governmental organisations during the Second Forum on the Future of Democracy in Europe, Moscow – 18-19 October 2006.
- Participation in the panel discussion: „After the reflection period: What strategy for the EU?”, Prague – 9-10 November 2006.

- Participation in the panel discussion: “Russian policies in the Baltic Sea region”, Vilnius – 18 November 2006.
- Presentation of the report “Southern Mediterranean and Eastern European perspectives on the EU’s future dilemmas and the European Neighbourhood Policy”, Warsaw – 4 December 2006
- Participation in the IRIS panel discussion “Quelle agriculture pour l’Europe”, Paris –13 December 2006.

Interviews and commentaries for the media:

The Polish media:

The Press: including *Dziennik*, *Dziennik Polski*, *Ozon*, *Poland Monthly*, *Nowa Trybuna Opolska*, *Przekrój*

Radio: the Radio Information Agency, PR 1, PR 3, Radio Polonia, Radio dla Ciebie, TOK FM, Radiostacja, Radio Zet

Television: TVN24, Polsat

The foreign media:

The press: *the European Voice*, *the NRC Handelsblatt*, *Jyllands-Posten (Denmark)*, *Hospodarskie Noviny, Pravda (Slovakia)*, *the Irish Times*, *Svenska Dagbladet*, *Newsweek*, *the Associated Press*, *the Los Angeles Times*, *Le Monde*

Radio: Radio France International, Danish public radio, the BBC World Service)

Television: Slovak TV

Other:

- Presentation on the social and political situation in Poland during the EU accession period, the transatlantic relations for groups of students, researchers and officials from France, the USA, Romania and Germany.

Karolina Sobiecka, the programme coordinator (from October 2006)

Interviews and commentaries for the media:

- Łódź cable TV TOYA

Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz, analyst/programme coordinator

Articles and other publications:

- Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz, „Challenges of the Polish Politics towards Russia”, *Międzynarodowy Przegląd Polityczny*, no 14, May 2006 (PL).
- Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz, „What is the Problem with Russia?”, *Tygodnik Powszechny*, no 4 (2950), 22 January 2006 (PL).
- Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz, „Evolution of the Russian Political Elite during the Presidency of Vladimir Putin”, *Spółeczeństwo i Polityka*, 3(8)/2006 (PL).
- Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz, „The EU Should Become a Leader in the Promotion of Democracy in Russia”, *Monitor Unii Europejskiej*, 9/2006 (PL).
- Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz, „Russian Experts and Politicians on the European Union”, *Międzynarodowy Przegląd Polityczny*, 12/2006 (PL).

Participation in conferences and seminars:

- Moderation of panel discussion: “NGOs sector in developing democracies”, Congress of Non-governmental organisation of the Council of Europe, Warsaw, 24-26 March 2006.
- Presentation of the IPA during “Workshop for young researchers from Poland, Russian and Ukraine”, Stefan Batory Foundation, 3-4 April 2006.
- Presentation: „Poles about Germans before and after Poland’s accession to the EU”, for a group of German students, the IPA, Warsaw, April 2006.
- Presentation: „Anti-occidental attitudes of the Russian political elite”, scientific conference of the Institute of Political Sciences of the Warsaw University - 12 May 2006.
- Chairing of the research seminar and presentation of the report: „Polish Members of the European Parliament and their Influence on the Politician Parties, 2004-2006”, the IPA – 29 November 2006.
- Intervention at the panel discussion: „New EU Member States and Global Responsibility – Development Cooperation and Democracy Promotion”, Budapest - 9 November 2006

Interviews and commentaries for the media:

The Polish media: *Dziennik Łódzki*, Radio Polonia, Radio BIS, Radio Józef

The foreign media: *Le Monde*

Mateusz Fałkowski, analyst/researcher (till October 2006)

Articles and other publications:

- Mateusz Fałkowski, *Together In the EU. Polish perceptions of Germans 2000-2005*, the IPA, 2006.
- Mateusz Fałkowski, “Pro-American and Pro-European. Polish perceptions of the USA and Europe”, *Dialog. Magazyn polsko-niemiecki*, no 74-75, 2006 (PL and GERMAN).
- Mateusz Fałkowski, „Institutionalization of the trilateral dialog in Poland after 1989”, *Trzeci Sektor*, nr 6, 2006, (PL).
- Mateusz Fałkowski, Agnieszka Popko, *Germans about Poles and Poland. Research Conclusions*, the IPA, 2006.

Participation in conferences and seminars:

- Presentation on the functioning of the trilateral dialogue in Poland at the conference: „Decentralization of social dialogue in Poland” – 31 January 2006.
- Presentation of the report: „Together In the EU. Polish Perceptions of Germans 2000-2005” at the IPA conference – 5 April 2006.
- Presentation of the paper „Attitudes of the Poles towards the US and Transatlantic Relations” at European Consortium for Political Research Joint Session of Workshops, Nicosia – 25-30 April 2006
- Presentation of research results on social dialogue in Poland, Lithuania and Estonia on the NEWGOV conference, Montecatini Terme, 22-23 June 2006
- Presentation entitled „Germans about Poles before and after Poland’s accession to the EU”, the IPA – 28 June 2006.

- Presentation: „Germans and Poles. Mutual Perceptions after the European Union Enlargement” at the “Polish-German dialogue forum”, the IPA, Konrad Adenauer Foundation, Berlin – October 2006.
- Presentation: „Germans and Poles. Mutual perceptions after the European Union enlargement” at the conference „Poland – France – Germany. Mutual Perceptions and Cooperation in the European Union”, the IPA – November 2006.

III. THE SOCIAL POLICY PROGRAMME

In 2006 the Social Policy Programme continued to implement the projects from the previous years as well as started a number of new projects. Our work could be divided into four thematic areas. For a number of years the Social Policy Programme has been conducting systematic monitoring of the legislation regulating the activity of non-governmental organisations, the situation of the third sector in Poland as well as its role in the social policy. The second important area of the SPP's interest are the new tendencies in social policy and employment policy. Moreover, the SPP continues its work in the area of social policy on the regional level, with special focus on the process of decentralisation of child and family care. Finally, we do research on the processes industrial relations, social dialogue, and the process of decentralisation.

Key figures:

- Number of projects: 13
- Number of conferences and seminars: 15
- Number of print publications: 8

1. DEVELOPMENT OF THE CIVIL SOCIETY SECTOR AND ITS ROLE IN SOCIAL POLICY

Project: „Building friendly environment for the non-governmental sector in Poland – KOMPAS” (the leading project)

Project supervisor: dr Marek Rymsza

Project coordinator: Izabela Rybka

In this project we focused on the monitoring of legislation regulating non-governmental organisations. We also aimed to establish a community of experts on the third sector in Poland.

Moreover, we examined issues of social economy and employment in the third sector, the process of granting the status of organisations of public benefit to NGOs, as well as policies of local governments towards non-governmental organisations. We also started a second litigation. An integral part of the project was the publication of “The Third Sector” – a quarterly magazine, addressed to employees and voluntary workers of non-governmental organisations as well as people involved in research and scientific activity.

Implementation period: November 2003 - 30 September 2006

The source of funding: Trust for Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe and S. Batory Foundation

Project: „The third sector – civil society - government policy”

Project supervision: dr Marek Rymsza

Project coordinator: dr Izabela Rybka (in cooperation with Paulina Sobiesiak, Iza Świst, Marta Niewiadomska, Kamila Hernik)

The aim of this project was to disseminate the results of the KOMPAS project. Participants of the conference organised in the S. Batory Foundation had an opportunity to discuss instruments of strengthening civil society and learn about the experience in this area of many countries, including Great Britain, Ukraine, Hungary, and Germany.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: September 2006

The source of funding: Trust for Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe, S. Batory Foundation, Ministry for Regional Development, the British Council, the Polish German Cooperation Foundation, Kazimierz Pułaski Foundation

Project: „The third sector’s sustainability index in Poland”

Project supervisor: Agnieszka Rymsza

Project coordinator: Kamila Hernik

The main aim of this project was expert evaluation of the third sector in Poland according to the methodology of the *Sustainability Index* – annual international analysis conducted by the United States Agency for International Development. We organised a panel discussion where experts presented their evaluation of the state of the third sector in Poland, taking into consideration a number of variables (legal environment, organisational capacities, financial sustainability, public relations, level of services provision, infrastructure, public image). The project was concluded with the preparation of a report.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: November 2005 – March 2006

Source of funding: Management Systems International

Project: „Standards of cooperation between public administration and non-governmental sector”

Project supervision: Marek Rymsza

Project coordination: Kamila Hernik.

The KOMPAS project team prepared an expert analysis of positive patterns of cooperation between non-governmental organisations and public administration. The paper also presented general standards of services provision by non-governmental organisations commissioned by public administration.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: November 2006 – December 2006

The source of funding: Ministry of Labour and Social Policy

2. SOCIAL POLICY ON THE LOCAL LEVEL

Project: „Efficiency of child and family care system”

Project supervisor: prof. Anna Kwak

Project coordinator: Anita Sobańska

This project was the continuation of our work on the analysis of the reformed system of child and family care on the local level. Its aim was to examine and compare the processes of becoming independent by children raised in foster families and foster care institutions in four counties. We conducted interviews and examined documentation of institutions responsible for foster children. We organised a range of expert seminars and developed a report with recommendations regarding the improvement of child and family care system.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: September 2005 – December 2006

Sources of funding: Ministry for Labour and Social Policy

Project: „The reform of foster child care. Results, expectations, directions for change”

Project supervision: dr Marek Rymsza

Project coordinator: Dominika Skwarska (in cooperation with Iza Świst and Marta Niewiadomska)

The aim of this project was to disseminate the results of the SPP monitoring of the foster care system conducted from 2001. We organised a conference where our two newest publications were presented.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: November 2004 – December 2006

Sources of funding: Ministry for Labour and Social Policy

3. NEW TENDENCIES IN SOCIAL AND EMPLOYMENT POLICY

Project: „Towards a new Polish model of social economy – building a new Lisków” (the leading project)

Project supervisor: dr Marek Rymsza

Project coordinator: Danuta Pławecka

The aim of this project is to develop a Polish model of social economy. Our objective was to develop a model strategy to encourage local communities to establish social enterprises and then test this model in practice. During the first phase, the main task for SPP and our project partners was a review of social economy resources in two voivodships. We also needed to identify and involve local partners.

As the project administrator, the IPA is responsible not only for the administration of all Partnership's activities, but also for the dissemination of research findings and for cooperation with foreign partners from Italy, Belgium and the Netherlands. Moreover, the IPA carries out research and analysis. We will also disseminate and mainstream the most innovative results of the EQUAL project.

Status of the project: in progress

Implementation period: November 2004 – March 2008

Sources of funding: European Social Fund and the Polish Government resources – Community Initiative EQUAL

Project: „Flexible forms of employment – a chance for professional integration of disabled youth”

Project supervisor: dr Ewa Giermanowska

Project coordinator: Grzegorz Makowski

This project is aimed to improve chances of employment of young disabled people in Poland. Our target is to analyse professional skills and needs of this social group as well as the existing capacity for development via flexible forms of employment. In Poland research on this issue was never before conducted in a systematic way. Our project is based on a series of qualitative and quantitative research studies covering the young disabled people as well as social services, employment agencies, key persons in local governments and local enterprises.

We will also prepare a number of expert opinions on the social situation and employment of disabled youth. We expect that expert opinions and analyses will provide the institutions responsible for the disabled youth policy development with valuable knowledge and thus help to improve the planning and implementation of their activities. At the end of this year we started the dissemination of our results – we organised 8 conferences and published a book.

Status of the project: in progress

Implementation period: July 2005 – April 2007

Sources of funding: European Social Fund

4. NEW INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS, SOCIAL DIALOGUE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Project: „Polish Centre for Monitoring Industrial Relations”

Project coordinator: Kamila Hernik

This is the fourth edition of industrial relations monitoring project in Poland. In this capacity we prepared expert individual and comparative analyses. The project is a part of a wider programme, the European Industrial Relations Observatory. The beneficiaries of the programme are government representatives, and employer and employee organisations at the national and European levels.

The IPA will be continuing this project in the next 4 years.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: March 2005 – February 2006.

Sources of funding: European Foundation for the Improvement of Working and Living Conditions

Project: „The Polish Centre on Monitoring Industrial Relations, Labour Conditions, and Restructurisation Processes”

Project coordinator: Kamila Hernik (in cooperation with Dominika Skwarska)

In 2006 the SPP broadened its scope of monitoring to include labour conditions and restructuring processes in Poland. We develop short information reports, expert analyses, sector analyses and comparative analyses with other states as well as the so called “ad hoc” analyses. The beneficiaries of the programme are the representatives of government, non-governmental organisations, employers’ organisations, on the national and European level. The Foundation also publishes annual reports presenting comparative statistical analyses.

Status of the project: in progress

Implementation period: March 2006 – February 2007 (with a possibility to prolong the project until February 2009)

Source of funding: European Foundation for the Improvement of Working and Living Conditions

5. OTHER PROJECTS

Project: „DIOSCURI. East and West — mutual opening and encounter between economic cultures” (the leading project)

Project supervisor (for Poland): prof. Jacek Kochanowicz

Project coordinator: Kamila Hernik

The aim of the project is the identification and analysis of the contrasts between two economic cultures: Eastern and Western European. Four countries of Central and Eastern Europe (Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and Slovenia) and four countries of South-Eastern Europe (Bulgaria, Croatia, Romania and Serbia) take part in this project. We carry out research in three thematic areas: governance, enterprise and economy. Presently we focus on comparative research between countries.

Status of the project: continuation

Implementation period: June 2004 – June 2007

Sources of funding: European Commission – VI Framework Programme

Project: „Here comes old age – to withdraw or to participate? Opinions on professional and social activity of people in retirement age”

Project supervisor : dr Piotr Szukalski

Project coordinator: Kamila Hernik

The aim of this project was to gather information on how Poles of the post-war demographic boom generation prepare for old age. We wanted to analyse the reasons for health-related work incapability of 45- 54-year-olds, and look for solutions and prevention methods to this problem. We developed instruments for quantitative research on three levels: economic activity on the labour market, family care and institutional care.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: September 2006 – December 2006

Sources of funding: Social Insurance Institution (ZUS)

SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

- Seminar entitled „Lobbying and advocacy in the light of legal regulations” organised in cooperation with S. Batory Foundation. Expert analysis “Laws on lobbying activity” was presented during this seminar – 10 January 2006.
- Conference entitled “Decentralisation of the social dialogue in Poland” organised under the auspices of the Ministry for Labour of and Social Policy. Participants had an opportunity to learn and discuss the results of the research on the functioning of Voivodship Commissions for Social Dialogue – 31 January 2006.

- Working seminar, a part of the DIOSCURI project, devoted to the discussion of filed research results on differences between Eastern and Western economic cultures – 16 February 2006.
- Expert seminar entitled “How children raised in foster families and foster care institutions become independent – assumptions and reality” – 24 February 2006.
- Expert seminar entitled “The effects of the enforcement of the law on judicial expenses in civil cases for non-governmental organisations” organised in cooperation with Polish Federation of Non-governmental Organisations – 31 March 2006.
- Seminar entitled “Patterns of employment in the third sector”. Warsaw University, in cooperation with AISEC Association – 22 April 2006.
- Expert seminar entitled “Social entrepreneurship and non-governmental organisations: first social auditing” – 27 April 2006.
- International meeting as a part of the EQUAL project. Participants included our partners from Belgium, the Netherlands and Italy – 29-30 May 2006.
- Seminar: “Social cooperatives and non-governmental organisations: the institutionalisation of social economy in Poland in the light of legal regulations” – 14 July 2006.
- Seminar: “The role of local councillors in the intersectoral cooperation”, as part of the KOMPAS project – 8 September 2006.
- “The third sector – civil society – government policy”, international conference concluding the KOMPAS project – 25-26 September 2006.
- Study visit for representatives of Local Partnerships as part of the CIP EQUAL international cooperation, Antwerp - 1-5 October 2006.
- Study visit for representatives of Local Partnerships as part of the CIP EQUAL international cooperation, Bologna - 20-24 November 2006.
- Conference concluding the DIOSCURI project research results: “the role of economic culture in the transformation process” - 24-25 November 2006.
- Conference concluding the cycle of projects monitoring child and family care system: “the reform of foster child care. Results, expectations, directions for change” - 15 December 2006.

PUBLICATIONS OF THE PROGRAMME

Books:

- Mateusz Błaszczyk, Jacek Sroka (eds.) *Networks or a structure? Social Dialogue on the Regional Level*. The IPA, Warsaw 2006 (PL).
- Józefina Hryniewicz, *The Abandoned. The Analysis of the Process of Placing Children in Foster Care Institutions*, the IPA, Warszawa 2006 (PL).
- Anna Kwak (ed.), *From Foster Care into Adult Life. Assumptions and Reality*, the IPA, Warszawa 2006.

The Third Sector quarterly (PL):

- “Employment in non-governmental organs”, no 4.
- “The Image of Non-governmental organisations”, no 5.
- “Advocacy and Lobbying of Non-governmental Organisations”, no 6.
- “Non-governmental organisations’ finance”, no 7.

- “The debate on non-governmental organisations”, no 8.

Other publications:

- Kamila Hernik, “Decentralisation of Social Policy”, *Polityka społeczna* no 2, February 2006, Institute of Labour and Social Affairs (PL).
- Ewa Bogacz-Wojtanowska et al. *Employment in Non-governmental Organisations*, the IPA, booklet (PL).
- Marek Rymsza, article promoting the IPA research results on flexicurity in „Dialog społeczny” (Social Dialogue), Ministry for Labour and Social Policy (PL).
- Grzegorz Makowski, “Political Obstruction, and not destruction of Democracy”, *Rzeczpospolita*, 21 August 2006.
- Anna Kwak, Marek Rymsza, “The Evaluation of the Foster Care System – the Example of the Process of Becoming Independent by Wards of Foster Family Homes and Foster Care Institutions”, *Analizy i Opinie*, no 68.

THE PARTICIPATION OF THE STAFF AND EXPERTS IN THE DISSEMINATION OF THE PROGRAMME RESULTS

Marek Rymsza

- Chairing of seminars of the SPP programme
- Participation in the meeting of the Steering Committee of the National Development Plan
- Participation in the meetings of the Council of Experts of the Working Community of Associations of Social Organisations (WRZOS) programme (project related to the KOMPAS)
- Participation in the meetings of the Polish Senate Speaker reflexion group (related to non-governmental organisations)
- Presentation on flexicurity policy at the Ministry for Labour and Social Policy – 2 February 2006.
- Participation in the seminar: „The Opportunities of the Equal project for the territory of the Association Communes: Copparo, Ro, Tresigallo, Berra, Formignana, Jolanda di Savoia”, Bologna – 21 March 2006.
- Presentation on the flexicurity concept at the conference on flexible forms of employment, part of CIP EQUAL - 30 March 2006.
- Presentation entitled “The development of social economy in Poland”, CIP EQUAL – 11 May 2006.
- Participation in the conference on solidarity in social policy, organised by the Institute of Human Sciences, Vienna - 19-20 May 2006.
- Presentation on the “Lisków” project at the international CIP EQUAL meeting - 29 May 2006.
- Chairing of the Citizens Advice Bureaux conference - 1 June 2006.
- CIP EQUAL study visit, Antwerp – 1-5 October 2006.
- First social economy fair POSES as part of the CIP EQUAL, Cracow - 28-29 September 2006.
- CIP EQUAL study visit, Bologna – 20-24 November 2006.

Commentaries for the Polish media: Polish Radio Programme I, Polish Radio Programme III, Biznes TV, bulletin *EQUAL* (no 1-2/2006)

Kamila Hernik

- Participation in the meeting of the Steering Committee of the National Development Plan
- The CIP EQUAL study visit, Breda (the Netherlands) - 18-20 January 2006.
- Participation in the meeting opening a new edition of the project monitoring industrial relations, labour relations and the Restructurisation process in Europe, organised by the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions, Dublin - 2-3 March 2006.
- Presentation on the project evaluation at the inter-module meeting of the COMPAS project - 10 May 2006.
- Participation in the closing meeting of the National Thematic Network, Jachranka – 8-9 August 2006.
- The CIP EQUAL study visit, Antwerp –1-5 October 2006.
- Participation in the conference “Good Europe? Power, participation, and the remaking of civil society” organised by the British Council, Bratislava – 18-20 October 2006.
- Annual meeting of the centres monitoring industrial relations, labour relations and the restructurisation process in Europe, organised by the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions, Dublin – 6-7 December 2006.

Anita Sobańska

- The CIP EQUAL study visit, Breda (the Netherlands) - 18-20 January 2006.
- Participation in the meetings of the National Thematic Network as part of the CIP EQUAL - 1 February, 9-10 March, 11-12 April, 15-16 May, 1-2 June 2006.
- The CIP EQUAL study visit, Bologna - 19-22 March 2006.
- Participation in the meetings of the international working group of the CIP EQUAL, Warsaw - 29 May 2006.
- The CIP EQUAL study visit, Antwerp –1-5 October 2006.
- CIP EQUAL study visit, Bologna – 20-24 November 2006.
- Participation in the meeting of the Permanent Conference on Social Economy (SKES) - 15 December 2006.

Dominika Skwarska

- Participation in the meeting opening a new edition of the project monitoring industrial relations, labour relations and the Restructurisation process in Europe, organised by the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions, Dublin - 2-3 March 2006.
- Meeting organised by the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions, Dublin – 18-19 September 2006.
- CIP EQUAL study visit, Bologna – 20-24 November 2006.

- Annual meeting of the centres monitoring industrial relations, labour relations and the restructurisation process in Europe, organised by the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions, Dublin – 6-7 December 2006.

Danuta Pławecka

- CIP EQUAL study visit, Bologna – 19-22 March 2006.

Iza Świst

- CIP EQUAL study visit, Bologna – 20-24 November 2006.

Grzegorz Makowski

- Participation in the meetings of the Council for Public Benefit Activity as an observer.
- Participation in the Parliamentary Committee on non-governmental organisations meeting, presentation of the IPA position on the proposed amendment to legislation regulating foundations – October 2006.
- Participation in the first Warsaw Regional NGO Congress – 24-26 March 2006.
- Participation in the consultations of the Human Capital Operational Programme - 22 August 2006.
- Participation in the seminar: “The reform of public administration and local government in Poland”, organised by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Collegium Civitas - 21 November 2006.
- Participation in the meeting of organisations implementing projects funded by the Trust for Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe - 9-10 October 2006.

Paulina Sobiesiak

- Participation in the conference: “Levelling the opportunities and supporting the activity of the disabled: Recommendation for Poland”, Warsaw - 1 December 2006.

Magdalena Arczewska

- Participation in the regular meetings of the Council for Public Benefit Activity (as an observer).

Rafał Towalski, expert

- Participation in the “Industrial relations country profiles” seminar organised by the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions, Dublin – 6-7 February 2006.
- Participation in the seminar on further debate on industrial relations profiles in the EU member states, presentation of the report on Poland, Rome – 5-6 June 2006.
- Seminar on further debate on industrial relations profiles in the EU member states, Berlin – 30 November-1 December 2006.

Jan Czarzasty, expert

- Participation in the meeting opening a new edition of the project monitoring industrial relations, labour relations and the restructurisation process in Europe, organised by the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions, Dublin - 2-3 March 2006

dr Tomasz Kaźmierczak, expert

- Seminar: „The Opportunities of the Equal project for the territory of the Association Communes: Copparo, Ro, Tresigallo, Berra, Formignana, Jolanda di Savoia”, Bologna – 21 March 2006.
- Participation in the international meeting of the EQUAL project, Warsaw – 29 May 2006.
- Participation in the meetings of the National Thematic Network, the CIP EQUAL - 1 February, 8-10 March, 11-12 April, 15-16 May, 1-2 June 2006.
- The CIP EQUAL study visit, Antwerp – 1-5 October 2006.

Anna Semenowicz, expert

- Annual meeting of the centres monitoring industrial relations, working conditions and the process of Restructurisation in Europe, organised by the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions, Dublin - 6-7 December 2006.

Piotr Sula, expert

Seminar: “Job satisfaction”, organised by the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions, Helsinki – 9-10 November 2006.

IV. CITIZEN AND LAW PROGRAMME

Programme supervision: dr Jacek Kucharczyk

Programme coordination: Jarosław Zbieranek

The aim of the Citizen and Law Programme is to promote active citizen participation in public life, transparency of state institutions and their accessibility for citizens. The projects implemented this year covered four main areas:

1. Broadening the citizens' access to information and legal assistance.
2. Corruption prevention policy.
3. Political finance.
4. Active citizen in a democratic state ruled by law.

The IPA took active part in many initiatives and public debates on the administrative and systemic reforms in Poland. We also participated in the works of the Senate aimed at the modernisation and reform of voting procedures.

Key figures:

- Number of projects: 9
- Number of grants obtained: 4
- Number of publications: 12
- Number of conferences and seminars: 16

PROJECTS

Project : “Citizen and Law II”

Coordinators: Agata Winiarska, Jarosław Zbieranek

The second edition of the Citizen and Law project was the continuation and development of the activities conducted by the Polish-American Freedom Foundation and the IPA in 2002-2003. The purpose of this project was to expand and improve access to legal assistance for citizens in small communities – including socially marginalized groups. In this edition of the programme we focused on two parallel areas of activity:

- grant contest constituting financial support for the advisory non-governmental organisations;
- Board of Experts' activity focusing on the development of recommendations and the implementation of systemic solutions regarding citizen access to legal assistance.

Status of the project: completed

Source of funding: Polish-American Freedom Foundation

Implementation period: January 2005 – August 2006

Project : “Citizen and Law III”

Coordinators: Agata Winiarska, Jarosław Zbieranek

The third edition of the Citizen and Law project is the continuation and development of the activities conducted by Polish-American Freedom Foundation and the IPA. The purpose of the project is to expand and improve access to legal assistance for citizens.

Status of the project: in progress

Source of funding: Polish-American Freedom Foundation

Implementation period: August 2006 – February 2008

Project: “E-government as a way of preventing corruption in public life”

Coordinator: Jarosław Zbieranek

This project constituted a link between two extensive and multi-themed undertakings implemented by public administration, namely the anti-corruption strategy and the development of electronic administration. As a result of this project we gathered and systematised the existing government proposals as well as initiated the debate on their relevance and effectiveness. The project also served as a framework for the examination of other countries’ experience in the implementation of e-government instruments aimed at corruption prevention, and their applicability in Poland. We also published a report entitled “Electronic administration – new instruments for corruption prevention” which was presented at our seminar.

Status of the project: completed

Source of funding: ComputerLand

Implementation period: June 2005 – November 2006

Project : „The monitoring of presidential elections campaign finance”

Project Coordinator : Jarosław Zbieranek

This project, jointly implemented by Stefan Batory Foundation and the IPA, aimed to monitor the sources of funding as well as expenses of presidential candidates’ electoral committees in 2005 elections. Our experts examined donations, public collections, committees’ expenses on mass-media campaigns, advertising, and elections picnics as well as the financial reports submitted to the State Electoral Commission.

The IPA took part in the development of the final report comprising the summary of the monitoring results and recommendations and proposals of legislative amendments. The report was presented at the conference concluding the project.

Status of the project: completed

Source of funding: IPA resources

Implementation period: March 2005 – May 2006

Project : „The reform of the presidential elections campaign finance”

Coordinator : Jarosław Zbieranek

As a result of the project, we developed a paper titled: „Recommendations for the reform of funding of presidential elections campaigns in Poland” based on the results of the monitoring of the presidential elections campaign finance conducted in 2005. On the basis of this paper we will develop amendment proposals to the law on the election of the Polish President as well as other related legal acts.

Status of the project: in progress

Source of funding: IPA resources, Batory Foundation

Implementation period: July 2006 – May 2007

Project: „Save public assets - corruption and the EU funds”

Project coordinator: Jarosław Zbieranek

The aim of the project is to monitor corruption threats during the allocation and spending of the EU assistance funds. A group of international experts has prepared methodology for such monitoring, which will be employed by organisations from Poland (the IPA), Lithuania, Latvia, the Czech Republic and Hungary. The project is coordinated by a Latvian think-tank PROVIDUS. We will present the results of our research in our partner countries as well as at the concluding conference in Riga.

Status of the project: in progress

Implementation period: January 2006 – March 2007

Source of funding: The European Commission (*Watchdog Fund*)

Project: „Citizens’ observatory”

Coordinator : Jarosław Zbieranek

Within this project we developed policy analysis on the possibility of a reform of party financing system in Poland as well as the legal status of the members of Parliament. We also organised an international conference entitled: “The future of the political scene in Central-Eastern Europe”.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: July 2006 - December 2006

Source of funding: OSI

Project: „Elections and corruption”

Project coordinator: Jarosław Zbieranek

The IPA in cooperation with the Ministry of Interior and Administration organised a conference on electoral corruption.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: January - February 2006

Source of funding: the IPA resources, PHARE

Project: „Transparency of public life”

Project coordinator: Jarosław Zbieranek

Jointly with the Association for the Promotion of Civic Mindedness we organised a conference devoted to the mechanisms of transparency of different spheres of public life. One of the elements of the project was a youth contest for the best essay on the transparency of public life.

Status of the project: completed

Source of funding: the IPA resources

Implementation period: October – November 2006

SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

- Seminar entitled „Single-seat electoral law in local elections” – 9 January 2006.
- Expert seminar entitled “Internet as an instrument of corruption prevention – the institution of *whistleblowers*” – 12 January 2006.
- Expert seminar entitled “Directions for change of the party finance system” – 24 January 2006.
- Conference organised by the IPA in cooperation with the Ministry of Interior and Administration: “Elections and corruption” – 26 January 2006.
- Expert seminar: “Internet as an instrument of corruption prevention – public services on-line” – 22 February 2006.
- Conference presenting the results of presidential elections campaign finance monitoring in 2005 – 19 May 2006.
- The meeting of the Board of Experts of the “Citizen and Law” programme – 6 June 2006.
- Conference concluding the second edition of “Citizen and Law” programme entitled “Fundamental problems in citizen access to legal assistance and ways of eliminating them” – 29 June 2006.
- Information seminar for the grant contest applicants of the third edition of the Citizen and Law project – 6 September 2006.
- Information seminar for the grant contest applicants of the third edition of the Citizen and Law project - 11 September 2006.
- “The transparency of public life” conference – 3 November 2006.
- Meeting of the Jury of the third edition of the Citizen and Law grant contest – 6 November 2006.
- Seminar for the grant-recipients of the third edition of the Citizen and Law programme - 16 November 2006.
- Seminar entitled “Corruption prevention in public tenders in Poland” – 23 November 2006.
- Meeting of the Board of Experts of the Citizen and Law III – 30 November 2006.
- Conference: “The future of the political scene in the Central and Eastern European states” – 12 December 2006.

PROGRAMME PUBLICATIONS

Books:

- M. Perottino, M. Chmaj, M. Walecki, J. Zbieranek, A. Moraru, I. Iorga, I. Shevliakow, *Legislation and Control Mechanisms of Political Parties` Funding*, Bukareszt 2006. Warszawa 2006. (PL).
- M. Walecki, G. Kopińska, A. Sawicki, M. Solon-Lipiński, J. Zbieranek, J. Kucharczyk, *Presidential Elections 2005. Electoral Finance Monitoring*, Warsaw 2006 (PL).
- L. Kolarska-Bobińska, J. Kucharczyk, J. Zbieranek, *Active Citizen, Modern Electoral System*, Warsaw 2006 (PL).
- Report on the second edition of the „Citizen and Law” programme.

Analyses and Opinions (PL):

- P. Wiśniewski, “The Use of Electronic Instruments of Corruption Prevention in Public Tenders in Poland”, no 57.
- M. Walecki, „Information and Telecommunication Technologies as Instruments of Corruption Prevention”, no 61.
- J. Zbieranek, „Internet as an Instrument of Identification of Corruption Acts”, no 62.
- J. Zbieranek, „Electronic Voting. Experience of Other Countries and Recommendations for Poland”, no 64.
- P. Wiśniewski, “Corruption in Public Tenders in Poland – Threats and Recommendations for the Future”, no 67.

Other publications:

- P. Wiśniewski, “Corruption in Public Tenders”, *Prawo Zamówień Publicznych*, no 3, (PL).
- P. Wiśniewski, “Corruption in Public Tenders in Poland”, *Monitor Zamówień Publicznych*, no 12, (PL).
- M. Walecki, “Information and Telecommunication Technologies as Instruments of Corruption Prevention”, *Informatyka Bankowa*, no 4, (PL)
- Report on the conference: „Main Problems of Citizen Access to Legal Advice and Possible Solutions”, www.isp.org.pl
- “The IPA recommendations”, *Report on completion of the “Programme of corruption prevention, Anticorruption strategy II, implementation period 2005-2009”*, the second half of 2005, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Administration, April 2006.

PARTICIPATION OF THE STAFF AND EXPERTS IN THE PROGRAMME RESULTS DISSEMINATION

Jarosław Zbieranek, coordinator:

Participation in seminars and conferences:

- Participation in the seminar of the „Save public assets” project, Riga, Latvia – February, and August 2006.
- Participation in the session of the Legislative Committee of the Polish Senate – June 2006.
- Presentation of the Citizen and Law Programme at the School of Leaders summer school, September 2006.

- Participation in the informal public hearing on the proposed amendment to the local elections law, the Polish Sejm – September 2006.

Commentaries for the media:

- Polish media: the PIN Radio, Polish Radio I, Radio Zet, AntyRadio, *Dziennik Łódzki*, *Gazeta Prawna*, *Gazeta Pomorska*, *Gazeta Wyborcza*, TVP
- Foreign media: *La Croix*, the French Public Radio, the German Press Agency.

Agata Winiarska, coordinator:

- Commentaries for the Polish media: Polish Radio I, *Gazeta Wyborcza*.

Marcin Walecki, expert:

- intervention at the conference concluding the monitoring of presidential elections campaign – May 2006.

Piotr Wiśniewski, expert:

- Commentaries for the Polish media: *Tygodnik Siedlecki*.

V. MIGRATION AND EASTERN POLICY PROGRAMME

Programme supervision: dr Jacek Kucharczyk

Projects coordination: Justyna Frelak

The Migration and Eastern Policy Programme aims to respond to the contemporary challenges posed by the intensified mobility of people and the further EU enlargement. The programme focuses on such topics as: emigration policy, opening of the labour market for seasonal workers, migration control, with particular attention paid to readmission and border security, eastern borders of Poland as external EU borders as well as the impact of migration on local development. One of the new topics we started this year was refugees' integration in Poland and the government policy towards it. We also continued working on the topic of the EU enlargement, started in 2005.

Key figures:

- number of projects: 12
- number of grants: 8
- number of publications: 8
- number of conferences and seminars: 15

PROJECTS

Project: “Evaluation of integration programmes for refugees in Poland”

This project aims to improve the situation of foreigners covered by international protection in Poland through the creation of an effective model of their integration into the society. We will evaluate the impact and effectiveness of the existing integration programmes conducted by the social assistance institutions and develop recommendations regarding more effective integration.

Status of the project: new

Implementation period: May 2006 – June 2008

Source of funding: European Social Fund

Project: “Experiment in Newcomer Integration”

Project coordination: Justyna Frelak

The main aims of this project are stimulation of the debate on the benefits of migrations, and promotion of innovatory integration policy. The project involves the creation of local coalitions and an expert group which will facilitate and strengthen the dialogue between migrant organisations and receiving countries. The research part of the project focuses on the opportunities of entrepreneurship development and ways of migrants' activation. In June

we held an expert group meeting in Warsaw. We are currently developing a publication entitled “Experience and prospects of immigrant integration in Poland”.

Status of the project: in progress

Implementation period: October 2005 – October 2007

Source of funding: the Community Initiative INTERREG IIIB CADSES

Project: “European Inclusion Index”

The aim of the project is to promote the debate on migrations and migration policy, as well as strengthen the dialogue and information exchange on migration and foreigners’ integration. We also aim to collect data on third country nationals’ situation on the territory of the EU in respect to the position on labour markets, citizenship, residence permits or anti-discrimination legislation. Our partners are Migration Policy Group, British Council, the German Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, the French INED, Institute for Human Rights, CIDOB Foundation, NCCRI.

Status of the project: in progress

Implementation period: November 2006 – December 2007

Source of funding: INTI - Integration of Third Country Nationals Funding Programme

Project: “The feasibility study of visa and consular cooperation between Visegrad Group states for the Ukrainian and Moldavian citizens”

Project supervisor: Piotr Kaźmierkiewicz

Project coordination: Justyna Frelak

In this project we attempted to study political and administrative readiness for cooperation between Visegrad Group member states in the area of visa and consular services policy. We held an expert seminar in response to the plans of visa policy restrictions by some EU member states.

The project was implemented in cooperation with the EUROPEUM Institute for European Policy (the Czech Republic), Center for Policy Studies (Budapest), Slovak Foreign Policy Association (Bratislava), International Centre for Policy Studies (Kiev) and Institute for Public Policy (Kishinev).

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: March 2006

Source of funding: LGI – OSI

Project: „European prospects of Ukraine and Turkey”

Project supervisor: Piotr Kaźmierkiewicz

Project coordinator: Justyna Frelak

This project aimed to analyse and compare the debates on the EU accession of Ukraine and Turkey in four new member states. In April 2006, we presented the results of the project to the general public as well as published a book entitled “EU Accession Prospects for Turkey and Ukraine. Debates in New Member States”.

The project was coordinated by the IPA and implemented jointly with the EUROPEUM Institute for European Policy (Czech Republic), the Center for Policy Studies (Budapest), the

Peace Institute (Ljubljana) in the framework of the Policy Association for an Open Society (PASOS).

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: April 2005 – May 2006

Source of funding: LGI – OSI

Project: „XENOPHOB: European dilemmas: political, institutional and social discrimination”

Project supervision: prof. dr hab. Joanna Kurczewska

Project coordination: Justyna Frelak

The main aim of this international project was to analyse the social and economic situation of immigrants in Poland after the accession to the EU and to compare it with other countries. We expected this project to help counter racism and xenophobia. The IPA presented the findings of the project to the representatives of the European Commission. We also had a presentation of our report on the situation of migrants on the Polish labour market at our seminar in Warsaw. Moreover, we prepared several reports on the public and political discourse on migration in Poland as well as a report presenting the summary of the project and recommendations.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: June 2004 – January 2006

Source of funding: European Commission (the V Framework Programme)

Project: „Study programme for young Russian public policy analysts”

Project supervisor: Piotr Kaźmierkiewicz

Project coordinator: Justyna Frelak

This project, run jointly with a St. Petersburg think-tank STRATEGIA, aimed to enhance the analytic skills of future Russian opinion leaders and disseminate knowledge on the changes in Poland after 1989. The project involved a series of training seminars and study visits in Poland. In June we recruited participants for the study visit in Warsaw in July.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: February 2006 – October 2006

Source of funding: National Endowment for Democracy

Project: “Improving the procedure of immigration policy implementation in Ukraine. The EU experience in executing readmission agreements”

Project supervisor: Piotr Kaźmierkiewicz

Project coordinator: Justyna Frelak

The aim of this project was to improve migration management in Ukraine via dissemination of knowledge and experience regarding readmission agreements. We presented recommendations for Ukraine on the basis of Poland’s experience and cooperation with neighbouring countries in this field. The project involved a series of seminars in Poland and Ukraine, an international conference, a training seminar for Ukrainian officials in Poland and

visits in deportation centres. The project was organised jointly with the International Centre for Policy Studies (Ukraine).

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: August 2005 – December 2006

Source of funding: the British Embassy in Kiev, OSI- LGI, S. Batory Foundation

Project: “Poland and Germany and their diasporas in the East – repatriation as an element of migration policy”

The project aimed to evaluate the current policy towards Polish and German diaspora and to prepare recommendations on improvement of the current repatriation policy as an element of migration policy of the two countries. We also aimed to initiate a public discussion and raise public awareness of this issue. In May we conducted research in Poland and Germany, which was presented during our seminar in September. The project was implemented in cooperation with Migration Research Group, Hamburgisches Welt-Wirtschafts-Archiv (HWWA).

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: February 2006 – November 2006

Source of funding: Foundation for Polish-German Cooperation, K. Adenauer Foundation

Project: „Study programme for Moldavian public policy analysts”

Project coordinator: Justyna Frelak

This project involved organisation of study visits for Moldavian public policy analysts in Poland in cooperation with the IPP think-tank in Kishinev. It aimed to enhance the analytic skills of future Moldavian opinion leaders and disseminate knowledge on the changes in Poland after 1989. The project involved a series of training seminars and study visits in Poland. In November a group of Moldavians visited Poland, their papers were translated into Romanian and presented at the seminar in Kishinev.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: September 2006 – December 2006

Source of funding: Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Project: „To emigrate and to return”

Supervision: Lena Kolarska - Bobińska

Coordinator: Justyna Frelak

The project aimed to analyse the phenomenon of the Polish emigration on three levels: social, cultural, and political. Our research was guided by questions regarding the reasons for emigration, instruments to boost return migration, ways of keeping in touch with Poles abroad, protection of citizen rights of Poles abroad. We prepared a number of reports and analyses regarding the today's emigration phenomenon and Poles' attitudes towards it.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: September 2006 – December 2006

Source of funding: the Civic Platform party

Project: “The analysis and debate on the future EU enlargement – the promotion of enlargement in the Czech Republic, Poland and Latvia”

Coordinator: Justyna Frelak

The project aimed to present the challenges of the EU enlargement and to promote the idea of further enlargement in the new EU members - the Czech Republic, Poland, and Latvia as well as in the neighbouring states – Turkey, Macedonia and Ukraine. This project was implemented at the initiative of the think-tanks from Central and Eastern Europe, members of the Policy Association for an Open Society (PASOS). We organised a series of public debates in the new member states and prepared publications.

Status of the project: completed

Implementation period: September 2006 – December 2006

Source of funding: OSI, Batory Foundation (the East-East Programme)

SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

- ❑ Study visit and training seminar for 30 Ukrainian administration officers as part of the project: “Improving the procedure of immigration policy implementation in Ukraine” – 29 January - 3 February 2006.
- ❑ Expert seminar: “Visa and consular services policy towards neighbouring countries after the enlargement of the Schengen”, devoted to the discussion of the changes in visa policies of the new member states and the possibility of keeping the so called “friendly eastern border” – 27 March 2006.
- ❑ International seminar: „Debate on Prospects of Turkish and Ukrainian Accession in an Enlarged EU” devoted to the presentation of research in Poland, the Czech Republic, Slovenia and Hungary, organised in cooperation with the Centre for European Policy Studies – Brussels, 3 April 2006.
- ❑ Expert seminar: “Experience and prospects of third country nationals integration in the Warsaw agglomeration” attended by representatives of main institutions dealing with economic and social integration of most significant diasporas in Warsaw – 21 June 2006.
- ❑ Seminar: “Migration control and simplification of the persons’ cross-border movement between Ukraine and the EU” – 27 June 2006.
- ❑ Expert seminar “Repatriation policy as an element of migration policy” – 30 June 2006.
- ❑ Study visit of young Russian policy analysts – 2-12 July 2006.
- ❑ Training seminar: "Writing effective policy papers to influence decision-making", attended by about 30 participants from Central and Eastern Europe and former Soviet Union states – 21-22 September 2006.
- ❑ Seminar: "Integration of refugees in Poland – social assistance issues” - 30 October 2006.
- ❑ Study visit for Moldavian public policy analysts – 5 -16 November 2006.
- ❑ Seminar: „Poland and Germany towards their fellow-countrymen in the East – repaying the debt or economic migration” - 6 November 2006.
- ❑ Seminar as part of the "European Inclusion Index" project, Brussels – 7 November 2006.
- ❑ International seminar: “The EU enlargement for Balkans – the debate in the new member states” – 11 December 2006.

PROGRAMME PUBLICATIONS

Books:

- Piotr Kaźmierkiewicz (ed.), in cooperation Agnes Batory, David Kral, Veronika Bajt. *EU Accession Prospects for Turkey and Ukraine. Debates in New Member States*. Warszawa 2006.

Reports:

- Jennifer Elrick, Justyna Frelak, Paweł Hut, *Poland and Germany and their diasporas in the East. Polen und Deutschland gegenüber ihren Diasporas im Osten.*(PL+GR)
- Piotr Kaźmierkiewicz, (ed.) *Experience and Prospects of Immigrant Integration in Poland*, (PL).
- Witold Klaus (ed.), *Legal Provisions of Foreigners' Integration in Poland*, (PL).

Analyses and Opinions:

- "The state of debate on further enlargement in the new EU member states" (PL).
- Agnieszka Jasiakiewicz, Witold Klaus, Bartosz Smoter, "Situation of Third Country Nationals Granted "Tolerated Status" in Poland – Recommendations for Polish Integration Policy" (PL).
- "To Emigrate and to Return. Recommendations for Polish public institutions" (PL).

Other publications:

- Piotr Kaźmierkiewicz. *Report on the implementation of the readmission agreement in Poland – lessons for Ukraine* (PL).
- J. Kurczewska, M. Bieniecki, H. Bojar, A. Gąsior-Niemiec, M. Trojanowska-Strzęboszewska. M. Pawlak, *The European Dilemma: Comparative Perspective* (electronic version).
- J. Kurczewska, M. Bieniecki, H. Bojar, A. Gąsior-Niemiec, M. Trojanowska-Strzęboszewska. M. Pawlak, *Recommendations report from the Xenophob project research* (electronic version) (PL).
- Piotr Kaźmierkiewicz, Wiktor Czumak, *Recommendations on the Implementation of the Negotiated Agreement on Readmission (white and green book) Based on the Polish Experience* (PL).
- Agnes Batory, Ivo Slosarcik, Juraj Misina, *The Visegrad States on the EU's Eastern Frontier, Consular and Visa Cooperation in East Central Europe for residents of Ukraine and Moldova*. Center for Policy Studies, 2006.
- Piotr Kaźmierkiewicz, chapters on Poland in *Civic Citizenship and Immigrant Integration*, Migration Policy Group, 2006.
- David Kral, Piotr Kaźmierkiewicz, *Turkey and Ukraine: Wanted or Not? Central European Reflections of Their EU Membership Perspectives*, EUROPEUM, 2006.
- Piotr Kaźmierkiewicz, Report on the Implementation of Readmission Agreements in Poland – Lessons for Ukraine, (PL).
- Piotr Kaźmierkiewicz, *EU Enlargement to the Western Balkans from the Polish Perspective*.
- Justyna Frelak, Piotr Kaźmierkiewicz, Mirosław Bieniecki „Employment of Foreigners should be easier”, *Rzeczpospolita*, October 2006.

PARTICIPATION OF THE EXPERTS AND STAFF IN THE PROGRAMME RESULTS DISSEMINATION

Piotr Kazmierkiewicz

- Participation in the Café Babel panel discussion: “The New Management of Cross-Border Migration,” European College in Natolin – 3 February 2006.
- Presentation on the Polish experience in implementation of readmission agreements, conferences organised by ICPS, Uzhhorod, Kiev – February, April 2006.
- Participation in the working meeting „Experiment with migrants’ integration”, Budapest – March 2006.
- Participation in the working meeting of the project entitled „The analysis and debate on the future enlargement of the EU – promotion of the enlargement in the Czech Republic, Poland, and Latvia”, Prague – March 2006.
- Recruitment of participants of the study programme in St. Petersburg – June 2006.
- Participation in the meeting of representatives of the British presidency devoted to further enlargement of the EU, Warsaw – May 2006.
- Participation in the working meeting of the “Experiment with migrants’ integration” project, Senigallia, Italy – 19-20 June 2006.
- Presentation of the project “Experiment with migrants’ integration” at the working meeting with representatives of public institutions NGOs dealing with migrants’ integration - 21 June 2006.
- Presentation at the conference: „The employment of Polish experience in readmission to build up the capacity of Ukraine in migration management” - Kiev, 23 June 2006.
- Meeting with participants of the study visit from Russia, S. Batory Foundation – 28 June 2006.
- Selection of the Moldavian participants of study visit in Poland, Kishinev – October 2006.
- Presentation on the migration policy in Poland and the experience in immigrant integration at the seminar: „Libraries as the gates for immigrant integration in the EU”, the Voivodship Public Library, Cracow – 18 November 2006.
- Presentation on the debate on the immigration of Turks to the EU at the seminar: „Turkish Accession to the EU: On Track or Derailed?”, organised by the Providus, Riga – 23 November 2006.
- Presentation on the debate on the integration policy in Poland at the conference „To be part of it: Models of immigration and integration in Europe”, organised by the Evangelische Akademie zu Berlin, Berlin-Wannsee – 25 November 2006.
- Presentation: “Rethinking the Concept of the European Neighbourhood Policy: Differentiation and Conditionality – View from the New Member States” at the experts’ training seminar: „The European Neighbourhood Policy: A Framework for Modernisation”, European University Institute, Florence – 1-2 December 2006.
- Presentation of the report on the Polish debate on the EU enlargement, organised by the EUROPEUM, Prague – 6 December 2006.

Interviews and commentaries for the media:

- The Polish media: Radio Polonia, Radio Information Agency, Polish Radio Programme I, TVP3, *Polsat TV*, *Rzeczpospolita*.

- Foreign Media: Radio Svoboda.ua

Justyna Frelak, coordinator

- Participation in the working meetings of the “Experiment with immigrant integration” project, Budapest - March 2006.
- Meeting with the participants of a study visit from Serbia, the FSLD - May 2006.
- Selection of the participants of the study visit in St. Petersburg – June 2006.
- Participation in the working meetings of the „European Inclusion Index” project – Brussels 2006.
- Presentation on the perceptions of foreigners in Poland at the training seminar for social workers – June 2006.
- Selection of the study visit participants from Moldova – October 2006.
- Presentation for the meeting with the representatives of the Norwegian Embassy - October 2006.
- Seminar of the "European Inclusion Index" project, Brussels – 7 November 2006.

Commentaries for the media:

- Polish media: Polonia TV, TVP1, *Rzeczpospolita*, *Kurier Poranny*
- Foreign media: *Sankei Shimbun*.

Mirosław Bieniecki, researcher

- Presentation of the research results on migration on the Polish labour market (together with Mikołaj Pawlak), International Migration Organisation – March 2006.
- Presentation on migration policy immigrant integration in Poland at the seminar: “Libraries as the gate to immigrant integration in the EU”, Voivodship Public Library, Cracow – 18 November 2006.
- Participation in the „Quo vadis Europo” debate on economic migration of young Poles, House for German-Polish Cooperation, Gliwice - November 2006.

Commentaries for the Polish media: Polonia TV, Polasat TV, TVP1, *Rzeczpospolita*, *Kurier Poranny*, *Gazeta Prawna*, *Newsweek*

Paweł Hut, expert

- Presentation of the report: „Poland and Germany and their diasporas in the East”, the Polish Community, Warsaw – November 2006.

Commentaries for the Polish media: Polish Radio I