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INTRODUCTION

In 2007, the Institute of Public Affairs was engaged in a series of activities characterised by a great dynamics of growth in both the quality and the quantity of undertaken projects and initiatives. Over this period, IPA conducted 47 projects and organized 66 seminars and conferences, a great number of which were carried out at the international level. The Institute published 70 books, studies, research reports, expert papers, and recommendations. IPA experts contributed to the dissemination of research and analytical studies' results through their active participation in conferences, seminars, and public debates. Due to the election campaign and the up-to-date character of IPA projects covering the latest and most urgent problems, the Institute's activity received wide media coverage. On a daily basis IPA experts were quoted in the national and international press, whereas several times a week they made TV and radio appearances. The Institute remains the primary, independent source of information and opinion for the Polish and foreign media as well as international institutions, which was reflected in frequent talks with the OSCE representatives monitoring Polish elections, the representatives of the Council of Europe for Human Rights, as well as numerous meetings with the representatives of embassies and foreign experts and journalists.

Major achievements of our Institute in 2007 were as follows:

- preparation and publication of the report 'Democracy in Poland in the period 2005-2007', which highlighted weaknesses of and threats looming over the functioning of the democracy in Poland, on both institutional and social level;
- participation in a pre-election campaign before the Parliamentary elections, October 2007, as well as preparation and dissemination of a series of proposals suggesting systemic changes aimed at boosting the election turnout in Poland;
- drawing up a draft of a comprehensive reform of the electoral law in Poland (the Election Code) and convincing political circles that it is essential to introduce such a code in Poland;
- completion of the international research on the functioning of public administration in the new Member States and organisation of an international subject-related conference (the Sixth Framework Programme);
- organisation of a series of public debates on the functioning of Polish judiciary, including such urgent issues as opening of the legal professions, independence of the judicature, or the availability of judicial assistance;
- organization of a number of debates on various aspects of Poland's membership in the European Union; the debates were joined by *int. al.* EU Commissioner for Regional Policy, Danuta Huebner, and the President of the European Parliament, Hans-Goering Pottering, as well as by many eminent, both Polish and foreign, experts and politicians;
- organisation of a conference on the condition of and prospects for Polish foreign policy; the conference was attended by the then minister of foreign affairs and the representatives of political circles as well as various outstanding experts in the area of foreign policy;
- completion of the research on Polish Eurodeputies and their impact on Poland's domestic political scene: the research report was published both in Polish and English version, presented in Poland as well as abroad, and received wide media coverage;

- preparation of expert papers and research on labour migration from Poland;
- participation in international research projects on the migrants' integration across Europe and the European migration policy;
- completion of the research on occupational mobilisation of the disabled persons and organization of a series of conferences aimed at the dissemination of the research results and recommendations based on the latter;
- further dissemination of the ideas of social economy, including provision of support in establishing social enterprises, organisation of national and foreign study visits as well as preparation of a number of subject-related publications addressed to a broad circle of recipients;
- monitoring and analysis of legal articles regulating the functioning of non-governmental organizations in Poland as well as completion of the research on the effects of the application of the Act on Public Benefit Activity and Voluntary Assistance;
- organisation of a number of international training programmes and study visits for young public policy- and opinion-makers from Russia, Moldova, and Georgia, as well as participation in the research focused on the development of programmes supporting democracy in the new EU Member States.

EUROPEAN PROGRAMME

Programme supervision: Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Prof., Jacek Kucharczyk, Ph.D.

Team: Karolina Sobiecka (programme coordinator), Ewelina Skwarczyńska (project coordinator), Ewa Lipska (project coordinator) and experts: Tomasz G. Grosse, Piotr Maciej Kaczyński, Mateusz Fałkowski, Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz

In 2007, European Programme of the Institute of Public Affairs concentrated on the following three areas:

1. Poland in the face of the challenges and the future of the European Union
2. Impact of the European integration on Poland
3. Polish foreign policy

Projects' numerical data

- ✓ Number of projects: 16
- ✓ Number of grants: 17
- ✓ Number of publications: 16
- ✓ Number of seminars and conferences: 16

TOPIC 1. POLAND IN THE FACE OF THE CHALLENGES AND THE FUTURE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Project: "Constitutional Treaty and EU foreign Policy"

Project manager: Jacek Kucharczyk, Ph.D.

Project coordinator: Piotr Maciej Kaczyński

The main goal of the Project was to intensify the public debate on the meaning of EU Constitutional Treaty articles for the Common Foreign and Security Policy. As a part of the project, IPA organized an international conference "EU in the World: With or without Constitution?" (15 June 2007, Warsaw)

Project status: completed

Implementation period: June 2007

Source of funding: A. Krupp Foundation, Sygnity SA

Project: "Tomorrow's Europe"

Project manager: Jacek Kucharczyk, Ph.D.

Project coordinator: Karolina Sobiecka

The project was coordinated by Notre Europe (with the European Commission's support) and its goal was to increase the citizens' participation in a dialogue on European Policy by conducting pan-European public opinion poll with a public debate, a deliberative poll®. The project was pursued in cooperation with various organisations from all over

Europe (int. al. Gallup Europe, Friends of Europe, Institute of Public Affairs). On 12-14 October 2007, in Brussels, there was held a debate, deliberative poll®, which was joined by a representative sample of 400 EU citizens, who discussed the European labour market, wages, EU foreign policy as well as the political and economic future of the European Union.

Project status: completed

Implementation period: May 2006 - December 2007

Source of funding: European Commission

Project: “Polish Eurodebate”

Project manager: Jacek Kucharczyk, Ph.D.

Project coordinators: Karolina Sobiecka, Ewelina Skwarczyńska

The aim of the project was to support the public debate on the future of the European Union and Poland’s position in Europe. The project envisaged a series of seminars and a conference as well as publication of the results of the latter at IPA Web page.

Project status: completed

Implementation period: February - December 2007

Source of funding: Sygnity SA

TOPIC 2. IMPACT OF EUROPEAN INTEGRATION ON POLAND

Project: “New Modes of Governance”

Project manager: Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Prof.

Project coordinators: Piotr Maciej Kaczyński (till 27/08/2007) / Ewelina Skwarczyńska (since 27/08/2007)

Within the framework of the international research project, IPA conducted research on the application of the new modes of governance in the new Member States. In 2007, IPA carried out the research on the delegation of public tasks to the agencies. The Institute also organized an international seminar "New Modes of Governance in the New and Old Member States - Similarities and Differences", which took place on 26th October, in Warsaw.

Project status: under realisation

Implementation period: September 2004 - July 2008

Source of funding: European Commission, EU Sixth Framework Programme, Ministry of Science and Higher Education

Project: “Implementation of the Lisbon Strategy provisions in the area of labour market policy”

Project manager: Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Prof.

Project coordinator: Ewelina Skwarczyńska

The main goal of the project was to organize a conference on Poland's achievements and problems encountered in the course of the implementation of the Lisbon Strategy provisions in the area of labour market policy. The project was carried out in cooperation with the Social Policy Programme.

Project status: completed

Implementation period: October – December 2007

Source of funding: the Delegation of the European Commission to Poland, Sygnity SA

Project: “Influence of European integration on Polish political scene”

Project manager: Jacek Kucharczyk, Ph.D.

Project coordinator: Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz

The project envisaged the research on the activity of Polish deputies in the European Parliament and their activity and impact on the national politics. A research report “Polish Eurodeputies. Their activity and influence on Polish political scene” (in Polish and English version) was published and then presented during a conference under the same title (6th July 2007, Warsaw). The report received wide Polish and international press coverage. The research results were discussed during a number of conferences and scientific seminars, both in Poland and abroad.

Project status: completed

Implementation period: January - July 2007

Source of funding: Friedrich Ebert Foundation

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

Project manager: Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Prof.

Project coordinator: Karolina Sobiecka

The aim of the project was to familiarize Polish citizens with the EU membership issues and the advantages lying in the process of European integration.

Within the frames of the cycle "How to talk about the European Union?" the following meetings took place: (1) Citizens' Forum "Lubelskie region in the European Union: chances and challenges", Lublin, 10th April 2006 r.; (2) conference "Polish plumber conquers Europe. Labour migration of Poles: chances and threats", Opole, 2nd June 2006; (3) conference "Promised Land – how Łódzkie region makes the most of its EU chances for development", Łódź, 9th December 2006; (4) conference "Agro- or e-Świętokrzyskie region? In search of the European strategy for the region", Kielce, 22nd February 2007.

Project status: completed

Implementation period: March 2006 - March 2007

Source of funding: Information Bureau of the European Parliament

Project: “Distribution of structural funds in Poland”

Project manager: Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Prof.

Project coordinator: Karolina Sobiecka

The project envisaged organisation of an international conference “Regions of the future. The distribution of structural funds in Poland” (26th June 2007, Warsaw) with the participation of the Commissioner, Danuta Huebner.

Project status: completed

Implementation period: June 2007

Source of funding: the European Commission Representation in Poland, Sygnity S.A.

Project: “European Parliament: Your Voice in Europe”

Project manager: Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Prof.

Project coordinator: Karolina Sobiecka (till 17/09/07), Ewa Lipska (since 17/09/07)

The main goal of the project was to raise social awareness in selected areas of the functioning of the European Union through organisation of a series of conferences in different regions of the country.

In 2007, two meetings of the Citizens’ Forum took place and four conferences were held: (1) 1st Citizens’ Forum, “To migrate and to return. Labour migration and EU policies”, 22nd June 2007, Wroclaw; (2) 2nd Citizens’ Forum: “Open and safe EU. Schengen area extension to include Poland and other new Member States”, 29th October 2007, Bialystok; (3) open lecture of Hans-Gert Pöttering, the President of the European Parliament “Future of Europe”, 5th June 2007 Warsaw; (4) conference: “Social or competitive EU? European Parliament and the EU budgetary policy dilemmas”, 9th November 2007, Gdansk; (5) conference: “The European Parliament and the EU cohesion policy”, 30th November 2007, 12:00-15:30, Katowice; (6) conference: “Right of petition to the European Parliament - one of the fundamental rights of EU citizens”, 18th December 2007, Warsaw.

Project status: under realisation

Implementation period: June 2007 - January 2008

Source of funding: Information Bureau of the European Parliament in Poland

Project: “Peripheral Regions Development”

Project manager: Jacek Kucharczyk, Ph.D.

Project coordinator: Karolina Sobiecka (till 17/09/2007) / Ewelina Skwarczyńska (since 17/09/2007)

The aim of the project was to promote the regional development issues in the peripheral regions. The project envisaged a book publication by Tomasz Grosse: “Innovative economy in peripheral regions”.

Project status: completed

Implementation period: January - October 2007

Source of funding: Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Ministry of Regional Development

TOPIC 3. POLISH FOREIGN POLICY

Project: “Polish foreign policy at crossroads”

Project manager: Jacek Kucharczyk, Ph.D.

Project coordinator: Piotr Maciej Kaczyński (till 27/08/2007) / Ewelina Skwarczyńska (since 27/08/2007)

The aim of the project was to monitor Polish government's foreign policy and the stance of the most influential political forces. The analysis concentrated on three areas: the U.S. relations, Poland's position in the European Union, and Polish policy towards Eastern European countries.

As a part of the project, the Institute of Public Affairs and the Centre for International Relations organised a conference "Polish Foreign Policy at Crossroads" (9th October 2007, Warsaw). IPA published three reports: "Polish foreign policy 2005-2007: towards a new consensus or political competition?", "Polish Foreign Policy 2005-2007", and "Poland's post-election foreign Policy – a turning point?". A presentation of the monitoring results was organised at the premises of the Office of the German Marshall Fund in Washington.

Project status: completed

Implementation period: October 2006 - November 2007

Source of funding: German Marshall Fund of the US

Project: “Poland, Germany, and France in the European Union”

Project manager: Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Prof.

Project coordinator: Jarosław Ćwiek-Karpowicz / Rafał Załęski

The project refers to the public perception research conducted in Polish-German and Polish-French cooperation, in 2006. The aim of the project was the preparation and publication of a book "Poland – Germany – France. Mutual perception after the EU enlargement". The book presents not only the analysis of public opinion but also the attitudes of elites and the political relations of the Weimar Triangle after the EU enlargement of 2004.

Project status: completed

Implementation period: November 2006 - December 2007

Source of funding: Konrad Adenauer Foundation, Foundation for Polish-German Cooperation, French Embassy

Project: “Nurturing Atlanticists in Central and Eastern Europe: The Role of Media, Education and Public Diplomacy”

Project manager: Jacek Kucharczyk, Ph.D.

The Polish-Slovak research project coordinated by the Bratislava Institute of Public Affairs (IVO) envisaged the research on current trans-Atlantic relations as well as on the role of the media and public diplomacy in shaping the relationships in question.

Project status: completed

Implementation period: November 2006 - September 2007

Source of funding: German Marshall Fund of the US

Project: “The new EU Member States’ policy towards the Israeli-Palestinian conflict: the case of Poland”

Project manager: Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Prof.

Project coordinator: Katarzyna Renaud

Under the auspices of EuroMeSCo Consortium, IPA, in cooperation with the Regional Centre for Conflict Prevention (Jordan), conducted a series of research on the Polish government’s policy towards the Israeli-Palestinian conflict in the context of EU policy towards the region in question. A research report was published (in English and French version). In 2008, there will be held a seminar on this project in Warsaw, followed by a presentation of the report in Brussels.

Project status: under realisation

Implementation period: July 2007 - January 2008

Source of funding: European Commission, EuroMeSCo

Project: “Shifting Euro-Atlantic Commitments? Continuity and Change in Poland’s Foreign Policy”

Project manager: Jacek Kucharczyk, Ph.D.

Project coordinator: Ewa Lipska

The main goal of the project is (1) to analyse changes in Poland’s foreign policy and its impact on Euro-Atlantic relations (2) to enrich the debate about Poland’s foreign policy (3) to disseminate the results through publications and organisation of debates.

Project status: in continuation

Implementation period: November 2007 – October 2008

Project: “Poland-Germany. The influence of Polish and German European policy on their mutual perception in Polish and German press”

Project manager: Elżbieta Ociepka, Prof.

Project coordinator : Jarosław Cwiek-Karpowicz

The aim of the project is to pinpoint current perceptions of Poland and Germany functioning in Polish and German press in the context of the European policies. The project envisages quantitative and qualitative research to be carried out in both Polish and German press. The works on final report have been commenced.

Project status: a new project

Source of funding: Konrad Adenauer Foundation

Implementation period: October 2007 – April 2008

SOCIAL POLICY PROGRAMME

Programme supervision: Marek Rymsza, Ph.D., SPP director

Team (staff as well as experts and partners): Kamila Hernik, Danuta Pławecka, Dominika Skwarska, Anita Sobańska, Paulina Sobiesiak, Izabela Przybysz, Małgorzata Koziarek, Izabela Rybka, Ph. D., Anna Krajewska, Ph.D., Grzegorz Makowski, Ph.D., Ewa Giermanowska, Ph.D., Tomasz Kaźmierczak, Magdalena Dudkiewicz, Ph.D., Magdalena Arczewska, Ph.D., Anna Stokowska

In 2007, the Social Policy Programme (SPP) continued its works in the following three areas covered by the 2007 Plan:

1. Against social marginalisation - applying new ideas in social policy,
2. Civil sector development
3. Social dialogue, industrial relations, labour market.

Projects and publications' numerical data:

- ✓ Number of projects: 11;
- ✓ Number of grants: 12;
- ✓ Number of publications: 21;
- ✓ Number of seminars and conferences: 25.

TOPIC 1. AGAINST SOCIAL MARGINALISATION – APPLYING NEW IDEAS IN SOCIAL POLICY

Project: “Towards the Polish model of social economy – we are building the new Liskow” (a leading project)

Project supervision: Marek Rymsza, Ph.D.

Project coordinators: Danuta Pławecka, Anita Sobańska, Kamila Hernik, Dominika Skwarska, Paulina Sobiesiak

The aim of the project is to develop the Polish model of social economy by devising and verifying in practice the strategy encouraging local communities to establish social enterprises (SE). The project is pursued by the Partnership of 42 organisations (IPA, the Academy for the Development of Philanthropy in Poland, the Working Community of Associations of Social Organisations [WRZOS] as well as the institutions forming 4 Local Partnerships in: Nidzica, Elk, Bilgoraj, and Lublin region). IPA performs administrative functions as well as conducts research and analyses. In 2007, IPA embarked on two separate sub-projects: Actions 2 and 3.

In 2007, during the Action 2 7 social enterprises launched their services and manufacturing activity (SE in Nidzica, Prostki, Golubie, Nasutow, Kreznica Jara, Bilgoraj, Motycz Lesny). SPP conducted research on social economy and social capital in the communities where SE were established; the programme carried out local animation in 4

milieus from the areas included in the Local Partnerships' activity. There were prepared monographs on initiatives referring to social economy issues not related to the project, expert papers (including one providing tools for SE social audit), and two books: on social economy concept and local animation.

As part of supranational cooperation we organised 3 study visits for the project participants and beneficiaries, 2 in Italy and 1 in the Netherlands, focused on the functioning of social companies and activation of marginalised groups.

Action 3, which concentrated on the dissemination of the project results and subsequent mainstreaming of the latter, consisted in monitoring of legal and institutional solutions conducted for the social economy sector (monitoring results were disseminated on the Internet in the form of e-bulletin and at the project's Web page). Two brochures were published. In cooperation with WRZOS, IPA held an all-Polish conference as one of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty events. SPP also hosted a session entitled "Revitalisation of Rural Areas" during the 2nd All-Polish Meetings on Social Economy. The Academy for the Development of Philanthropy in Poland prepared two documentaries on the Partnership and social enterprises.

Project status: in continuation

Implementation period: November 2004 – March 2008 (Action 2); June 2008 (Action 3)

Source of funding: European Social Fund and Polish government financial resources – IW EQUAL

Project: "Flexible forms of employment – a chance for occupational integration of young disabled persons"

Project manager: Ewa Giermanowska, Ph.D.

Project coordinator: Paulina Sobiesiak

The aim of the project was to boost the occupational chances of young disabled persons in Poland. The project envisaged a diagnosis of the needs and the qualifications of the group in question as well as an analysis of actual job opportunities for the disabled on open labour market thanks to the adoption of the flexible forms of employment. In 2007, IPA was for the most part engaged in the works on the dissemination of the project results – i.e. the Institute held 8 regional and press conferences as well as 1 all-Polish conference (organised mainly for public institutions, local self-governments, and the third sector organisations), and issued 2 book publications. The project results were widely commented upon by the press (chiefly by local newspapers) as well as on the Internet (Web pages and portals of various organisations supporting the disabled). The project's output is also disseminated immediately after the project completion (currently, the expert paper on the mobilisation function of the support system for the disabled persons, commissioned by the National Disabled Persons Rehabilitation Fund, is in the process of negotiations).

Project status: completed

Implementation period: June 2005 – June 2007

Source of funding: European Social Fund (operator: the National Disabled Persons Rehabilitation Fund)

Project: “Seniority – withdrawal or participation? Opinions on social and occupational activity of the retired”

Project manager: Piotr Szukalski, Ph.D.

Project coordinator: Kamila Hernik

The aim of the project is to prepare the recommendations for the policy of prolonging the economic and social activity of Poles. In 2007, IPA constructed a quantitative research questionnaire for a sample of people aged 45-65 concerning their social and economic activity as well as their preferences with respect to the forms of care and attendance services. The survey was carried out by an external company (selected and contracted by the Social Insurance Institution).

Implementation period: September 2006 – September 2008

Project status: in continuation

Planned funding: Social Insurance Institution (draft agreement in preparation)

TOPIC 2. THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CIVIL SECTOR AND ITS ROLE IN SOCIAL POLICY

Project: “Creating the third sector-friendly environment in Poland - COMPASS II” (a leading project)

Project manager: Marek Rymsza, Ph.D.

Project coordinators: Izabela Przybysz, Małgorzata Koziarek

The main goal of the project is to create strong expert base for the NGO sector in Poland (int. al. through publication of the “Third Sector” quarterly), to monitor the process of creating and administering of the laws concerning (directly and indirectly) NGOs as well as to perform advocacy activities. It is a new, second edition of the project (the first one was implemented by SPP in the period November 2003 – October 2006).

In 2007, IPA continued to monitor the formulation of laws on NGOs. The monitoring results were published at a specialist Web portal www.isp.org.pl/kompas (constituting a supplement to a more general portal www.ngo.pl), at www.ngo.pl (selected information articles) as well as disseminated through e-bulletin. In 2007, the number of bulletin subscribers increased from 300 to 1000. The project envisaged issuing of expert papers (including a strategic one: the so-called assessment of legislative changes), organising of expert seminars, and publishing of 3 consecutive issues of the “Third Sector” quarterly (No. 9, 10, 11; No. 12 will come out in 2008). IPA has also commenced the monitoring of the social dialogue institutionalisation process (i.e. the mechanisms of the participation of the citizens and various organisations representing the latter in the processes of law establishment and public decision-making): SPP prepared 5 case studies and produced a report on the condition of the social dialogue in Poland.

An essential part of the project constituted the second edition of the research on the operation of the Act on Public Benefit Activity and Voluntary Assistance (the first one was devised in 2004). The total output (together with the results of other project’s initiatives) were presented on a summing-up conference with the participation of foreign experts; the research report was published in an Audio CD form. In 2007, two book publications appeared containing the project’s output in a synthetic form.

Due to the results-to-date of the project, IPA is currently one of the key elements in the third sector’s infrastructure in Poland, cooperating with a number of similar organisations (the Polish National Federation of NGOs, Klon/Jawor Association, WRZOS).

Project status: in continuation

Implementation period: October 2006 – September 2010

Source of funding: Stefan Batory Foundation, Cooperation Fund Foundation, Polish-American Freedom Foundation, Civic Initiatives Fund, Polish-German Cooperation Foundation, CEE Trust (since 2008)

Project: “Evaluation of the development potential of the third sector – Poland 2007”

Project manager: Agnieszka Rymysza, Ph.D.

Project coordinator: Kamila Hernik

The chief goal of the project is to make an expert assessment of the condition of the third sector in Poland along the lines of the *Sustainability Index* methodology – within the frames of the annual international research coordinated by the United States Agency for International Development. In 2007, IPA held a discussion panel with the participation of experts and prepared a working version of the national report. A final version of the report will be drafted in cooperation with the USAID, in 2008. It is the fourth consecutive edition of the research conducted by SPP.

Project status: in continuation

Implementation period: September 2007 – February 2008

Source of funding: Management Systems International

Project: “The participation of NGOs from the Visegrad Group countries in the governance”

Project manager: Magdalena Arczewska, Ph.D.

Project coordinator: Kamila Hernik

The aim of the project is to work out the recommendations on the strategy of the third sector development in the Visegrad Group countries. SPP is engaged in the research at the national level. In the period September – December 2007, each of the Visegrad Group countries conducted in-depth interviews with the leaders of key infrastructural organisations and prepared preliminary subject-related reports. Comparative studies are coordinated by the Sasakawa Peace Foundation in Bratislava.

Implementation period: September 2007 – March 2008

Project status: in continuation

Source of funding: The Sasakawa Peace Foundation

TOPIC 3. SOCIAL DIALOGUE, INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS, LABOUR MARKET

Project: “Polish Centre for the Monitoring of Industrial Relations, Working Conditions, and Restructuring Processes” (a leading project)

Project coordinators: Kamila Hernik, Dominika Skwarska

The project constitutes a part of a group of the following programmes: European Industrial Relations Observatory, European Working Conditions Observatory, and European Monitoring Centre on Change. These programmes are coordinated by the European Foundation for the Improvement of Working and Living Conditions based in Dublin and formed by the institutions functioning as national observatories, coming from all EU Member States. In 2007, another annual edition of the project was launched, whose aim was to

monitor the industrial relations, working conditions, restructuring processes, and the development of social dialogue (trade unions – employers' organisations – State administration). There were prepared short information booklets, expert papers, sector analyses, and comparative studies.

The recipients of the project are the government representatives as well as the employers and employees' organisations on national and European levels. Expert papers prepared by the centres are available online at the donor's Web page (www.eurofound.europa.eu), as well as at IPA Web pages and in bulletins issued cyclically by the Dublin Foundation.

Additional forms of the dissemination of the project results were the following: a seminar on social dialogue and flexicurity policy in Poland and in Europe organised by IPA in cooperation with EFIWLC at the premises of the Delegation of the European Commission; and a popularizing publication produced in cooperation with the Centre for Social Partnership "Dialogue" (as a separate project).

Implementation period: March 2007 – February 2008

Project status: in continuation

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

Project: "Social dialogue as a platform for territorial pacts activating labour markets"

Project manager: Rafał Towalski, Ph.D.

Project coordinator: Kamila Hernik

The aim of the project was to reinforce the institutions of social partnership through propagation of the territorial pacts' ideas and development of the mechanisms of their creation. The project comprised a popularizing in its nature book publication presenting the most recent discussions held in EU countries on the development prospects and the barriers hampering social dialogue addressed to social partners.

Implementation period: February 2007 – September 2007

Project status: completed

Source of funding: the Centre for Social Partnership Dialogue (European Social Fund financial resources)

Project: "The implementation of the Lisbon Strategy provisions in the area of labour market policy" (in cooperation with the European Programme)

Subject-related supervision: Marek Rymsza, Ph.D. (SPP)

Project coordinator: Ewelina Skwarczyńska (EP)

The main goal of the project was to organise, in cooperation with the Delegation of the European Commission in Poland, a conference on the Lisbon Strategy implementation in the area of labour market, with special consideration given to the popularization of the flexicurity policy and employment of the disabled persons on open labour market. SPP prepared conference programme, dealt with the expert base of the Programme, and hosted two thematic sessions. EP coordinated the whole event.

Implementation period: 2007 – November 2007

Project status: completed

Source of funding: European Commission

Project: “DIOSCURI. Eastern and Western Europe — mutual opening and an encounter of economic cultures”

Project manager (Poland): Jacek Kochanowicz, Prof.

Project coordinator: Kamila Hernik

The main goal of the project was to highlight and analyse the specificity of economic culture in Eastern Europe during the transformation period as compared to that of the governance models to be found in Western Europe. A comparative study coordinated by the Institute of Human Sciences in Vienna comprised 4 countries of Eastern and Central Europe (including Poland) and 4 countries of Eastern and Southern Europe. The research consortium included the institutions from each of the examined regions. In 2007, partial reports were prepared in 3 subject areas: the quality of governance, the entrepreneurship, and the economy. The overall research results were presented during an international conference in Vienna (April 2007), whereas Polish research results were published by IPA in the form of a book publication.

Project status: completed

Implementation period: June 2004 – June 2007

Source of funding: European Commission – Sixth Framework Programme

OTHER PROJECTS

Project: “School didactic system and the external examination results”

Project manager: Krzysztof Konarzewski, Prof.

Project coordinator: Anita Sobańska

The project consisted in an analysis of the influence of the didactic system on the examination results in gymnasiums. The research comprised: 1) core curriculum and extra knowledge imparted by teachers 2) organisation of the learning process 3) models of interaction teacher – pupils. A number of interviews with teachers were conducted and a report was prepared “Didactic system and the external examination results”.

Project status: completed

Implementation period: May - September 2007

Source of funding: Central Examination Board

CITIZEN AND LAW PROGRAMME

Programme supervision: Jacek Kucharczyk, Ph.D.

Programme coordination: Jarosław Zbieranek

Citizen and Law Programme is focused on the internal policy problems and tackles a wide range of issues crucial for the effective functioning of the State and its relations with the citizens. The projects, launched by the Programme in 2007, will cover the following three main areas:

1. The availability of judicial assistance,
2. The condition of democracy and the functioning of its institutions in Poland,
3. Political education.

Due to the research conducted as a part of the Programme and thanks to the strong expert base, the Institute could join in numerous initiatives and public debates on the improvement of the State as well as on the political and economic transformation and public administration reform.

Projects' numerical data:

- ✓ Number of projects: 7
- ✓ Number grants: 4
- ✓ Number of publications: 13
- ✓ Number of seminars and conferences: 12

TOPIC 1. AVAILABILITY OF JUDICIAL ASSISTANCE

Project : “Citizen and Law III”

Project manager: Jacek Kucharczyk, Ph.D.

Project coordinator: Agata Winiarska, Jarosław Zbieranek (the secretary of the Council of Experts)

The biggest project of Citizen and Law Programme concentrates on the availability of judicial assistance to the citizens. It constitutes a continuation of and elaboration on the activities undertaken by the Polish-American Freedom Foundation and the Institute of Public Affairs in the periods 2002-2003 (the first edition) and 2005-2006 (the second edition). The third edition (2006-2008) consists in two parallel actions:

- a grant competition offering financial support for NGOs,
- the works of the Council of Experts on drawing up recommendations and implementing systemic solutions leading to the greater availability of judicial assistance.

In 2007, the Programme continued monitoring of the projects pursued by the institutions which received donations in the grant competition (November 2006). Simultaneously, the Council of Experts organised a series of open seminars and discussion

panels. The Council also commissioned selected institutions to launch various research projects. Moreover, IPA commenced works on the preparation of a publication summing up the third edition of the Programme (it will come out in January 2008).

Project status: in continuation

Source of funding: Polish-American Freedom Foundation

Implementation period: August 2006 – February 2008

TOPIC 2. THE FUNCTIONING OF DEMOCRACY

Project: “Poland Democracy Watch – Monitoring Threats to Polish Democracy”

Project manager: Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Prof., Jacek Kucharczyk, Ph.D.

Project coordinator: Jarosław Zbieranek

The project envisaged comprehensive monitoring of the government policy in the key areas for the functioning of democracy, civic rights, and constitutional rules of the State of law. On the grounds of the experts' observations and the collected material, a report entitled "Democracy in Poland 2005-2007" was produced and published.

IPA organised a series of seminars (devoted int. al. to the policy financing) and two big conferences ("Democracy in Poland 2005 – 2007" and "The future of Polish political scene"). The project also envisaged publishing of a number of reports, recommendations, and policy-briefs, which focused on issues crucial for the efficient functioning of the State (e.g. lobbying).

Project status: a new project

Source of funding: Open Society Institute, Think Tank Programme

Implementation period: January 2007 – January 2010

Project: “Save public assets”

Project manager: Jacek Kucharczyk, Ph.D.

Project coordinator: Jarosław Zbieranek

The main goal of the project was to monitor corruption threats looming over the utilisation and distribution of the EU aid funds. A group of international experts prepared the monitoring methodology, which was then implemented by various organisations from Poland (IPA), Latvia, Lithuania, Czech Republic, and Hungary. The monitoring results and recommendations were included in the report presented during a summing-up conference in Riga as well as during a conference "Regions of the future. The use of structural funds for growth in Poland", which was held in Warsaw.

Project status: completed

Implementation period: January 2006 – March 2007

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

Project: “Monitoring of the presidential election campaign financing”

Project manager: Marcin Walecki, Ph.D.

Project coordinator: Jarosław Zbieranek

The project was undertaken by IPA in cooperation with Stefan Batory Foundation. It envisaged monitoring of the sources of financing and expenditures of electoral committees in the presidential election of 2005. IPA was engaged in the preparation of the report summing up the monitoring results. The next stage of the project consisted in producing a package of proposals for changes in the presidential election campaign financing. The document was presented during an international conference “Effective control over the financing of politics ” held on 26th April.

Project status: completed

Source of funding: Stefan Batory Foundation, own resources

Implementation period: March 2005 – December 2007

Project: “Populism and the Crisis of Liberal Democracy in Central Europe”

Project manager: Jacek Kucharczyk, Ph.D.

Project coordinator: Jarosław Zbieranek / Jan Grzymiski

The aim of this international project is to analyse the threats of the expanding populism to liberal democracy and to point to the preventive measures. On the basis of the case studies from four Eastern and Central European countries (Slovakia, Bulgaria, Hungary, and Poland) IPA will prepare a policy paper containing a set of proposals and recommendations.

Project status: in continuation

Source of funding: Trust for Civil Society

Implementation period: 2007-2008

Project: “Election Code”

Project manager: Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Prof.

Project coordinator: Jarosław Zbieranek

As a part of the project an expert paper was prepared, which outlined a draft of the Election Code. The Code would allow for systemisation of election regulations in Poland in the form of a single legal act.

Project status: completed

Source of funding: Civic Platform party (Platforma Obywatelska)

Implementation period: June – October 2007

TOPIC 3. CIVIC EDUCATION

Project “Civic education in Poland – an attempt at the adaptation of the selected German solutions”

Project manager: Ewa Sielawa-Kolbowska, Ph.D.

Project coordinator: Jan Grzyski

The project is based on the selected German solutions in the field of civic education (politische Bildung) with special consideration given to the level of their adaptability in Polish reality. The aim of the project is to propagate the idea of civic education as well as to create (following the German model) an institutional base. IPA prepared a research synopsis, organised a study visit in Germany, and conducted a series of interviews in Poland; the Institute also initiated the works on the final report.

Project status: a new project

Source of funding: Konrad Adenauer Foundation

Implementation period: October 2007 – April 2008

MIGRATION AND EASTERN POLICY PROGRAMME

Subject-related supervision: Jacek Kucharczyk, Ph.D.

Projects coordination: Justyna Frelak

In 2007, the Migration and Eastern Policy Programme concentrated on the following areas:

1. The impact of migration on Poland as a sending and receiving country
2. The EU migration and integration policy
3. The EU and Poland's Eastern policy

Poland's accession to the European Union and the opening of labour markets triggered a rapid growth in labour migration of Poles. As **the phenomenon of mass migration among the Poles** has become a conspicuous feature of Polish reality, the Migration and Eastern Policy Programme has continued its research on the above issues, e.g. preparing expert papers commissioned by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

An essential element of the migration policy is the **integration of foreigners**. Recently, Poland has become a new home for an increasing number of refugees and immigrants, which is why we should develop effective mechanisms of migrants' integration preventing their social marginalisation in future. In 2007, IPA elaborated on two comprehensive projects focusing on the immigrants in Poland: the refugees, persons granted a 'tolerated stay' status as well as the Ukrainians and the Vietnamese. The projects were aimed to provide an analysis of barriers impeding the above groups' integration on the Polish labour market and of everyday problems those willing to settle in Poland are facing.

A dynamically changing migration situation in Poland requires a comprehensive **migration policy**. Therefore, in 2007, the Programme joined in the debate on the selected policy issues and organised a number of seminars and conferences promoting good practices and solutions applied in other EU countries.

An essential part of the programme constituted projects concentrating on the **promotion of practical experience** from the transformation and the accession periods among the EU neighbouring countries. Following the success of the three editions of the study programme for the public policy- and opinion-makers from Russia and Moldova, the geographical (Central Asia, Caucasus) and subject-related (longer study visits, wider range of topics) scopes were largely expanded.

Projects' numerical data:

- ✓ Number of projects: 13
- ✓ Number of grants: 9
- ✓ Number of publications: 20
- ✓ Number of seminars and conferences: 13

TOPIC 1. THE IMPACT OF MIGRATION ON POLAND AS A SENDING AND RECEIVING COUNTRY

Project: “Demographical analysis of the so-called new Polish labour migration in EU and EEA countries”

Project coordinator: Justyna Frelak

The project envisaged an analysis of available data on the scale of Polish migration (a diagnosis of the scale of Polish migration, the perception of the most recent tide of migration among the Poles, the impact of migration on the receiving countries and Poland). As a part of the project IPA prepared an expert paper “Socio-demographical analysis of the Poles’ labour migration to EEA countries after 1st May 2004” (Maciej Duszczyk, Jakub Wiśniewski) as well as a study “New forms of organising among the Poles living in EEA countries”.

Project status: completed

Implementation period: 2007

Source of funding: Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Project: “Strategies of selected countries to deal with return migrations”

Project coordinator: Justyna Frelak

Mass migration of the Poles after Poland's accession to EU requires new mechanisms of return migrations. The project's aim was to analyse the scope and the character of the returns phenomenon in the selected countries, to review and evaluate the selected regional, national, and international strategies as well as to put forward a set of recommendations for the Polish public institutions. As a part of the project IPA produced an expert paper “Strategies of the selected countries to deal with return migrations” (Jakub Wiśniewski).

Project status: completed

Implementation period: 2007

Source of funding: Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Project: "Public perception of labour migrations within the EU. The case of Polish labour migrants in the British Press"

Project coordinator: Justyna Frelak

The main goal of the project was better understanding of the latest migration processes in Europe. The case of the United Kingdom best illustrates how the attitudes of the society towards the immigrants are formed and how they change over time and how they are affected by the media. The Poles constitute the biggest influx of immigrants from the new Member States on the British Isles.

As a part of the project IPA conducted research on the selected British newspapers in the period prior to and following Poland's accession to the European Union. The Programme also prepared a report in Polish and English version “Next stopsky London. Public perception of labour migrations within the EU. The case of Polish labour migrants in the British press”, which was presented during a conference held in December.

Project status: completed

Implementation period: May 2007 – December 2007

Source of funding: PME

TOPIC 2. EU MIGRATION AND INTEGRATION POLICY

Project: “The evaluation of integration programmes for the refugees in Poland”

Project coordinator: Justyna Frelak

The aim of the project is to improve the situation of the foreigners in Poland in need of international protection. This can be achieved by creating an effective model of their integration in the society, which in turn can be attained through evaluation of the influence and efficiency of the existing integration programmes. The project was based on the legal analysis of existing regulations, a series of records and qualitative research. On the grounds of the evaluation IPA put forward a series of recommendations on the foreigners’ effective integration. In June, the Institute organised a seminar “The challenges for the refugees’ integration in Poland”. In December, IPA held a conference promoting its project and publication “Next stop is Poland. Analysis of integration programmes for the refugees”.

Project status: in continuation

Implementation period: May 2006 – January 2008

Source of funding: European Social Fund

Project: “Experiment in Newcomer Integration”

Project coordinator: Justyna Frelak

The main goals of the project are: the improvement in situation of the selected regions with special consideration given to migration; the popularisation of the idea that the migrants as well as national and ethnic diversity constitute an opportunity for the economic growth in a given region; the promotion of inventive integration policy. As a part of the project there have emerged local coalitions and expert groups, whose aim is to foster and reinforce dialogue between migrants’ organisations and the receiving countries. In 2007, IPA carried out a series of qualitative research on the impact of immigrants on local labour markets and national economy; the project also envisaged staff training for nursery teachers concerning work with immigrant children.

Project status: in continuation

Implementation period: October 2005 – March 2008

Source of funding: Community Initiative INTERREG IIIB CADSES

Project: “European Civic Citizenship and Inclusion Index”

Project coordinator: Justyna Frelak

The main goal of the project is to promote and initiate a debate on migration and migration policy, to foster and reinforce the dialogue as well as to exchange information on migration and foreigners’ integration. Another aim of the project is to collect comparative data on the situation of the third country nationals living in the European Union with reference to the following areas: labour market, citizenship, residence, anti-discrimination legislation - all presented during a December conference.

Project status: in continuation

Implementation period: January 2006 - July 2007

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

Project: "Europe for Citizens: Promotion of Active European Citizenship"

Coordinator: Justyna Frelak

The project has been launched in cooperation with MPG (Brussels) and PROVIDUS (Latvia). Its aim is to promote and initiate a debate on migration and migration policy, to foster and reinforce dialogue as well as to exchange information on migration and foreigners' integration.

Project status: in continuation

Implementation period: October 2007 – July 2008

Source of funding: 'Europe for Citizens' Programme Projects

TOPIC 3. THE EU AND POLAND'S EASTERN POLICY

Project: "Study programme for young Russian public policy- and opinion-makers" (third edition)

Coordinator: Justyna Frelak

The aim of the project was to enhance analytical skills and knowledge of the future opinion-makers in Eastern Europe on the Polish transformation period after 1989. As a part of the project IPA organised a number of training meetings and held a study visit in Poland (June). Each of the programme participants prepared an analytical document in the form of a policy paper, which was then published at IPA and selected research institutes from CIS countries Web pages.

Project status: completed

Implementation period: March 2007 – October 2007

Source of funding: National Endowment for Democracy

Project: "Study programme for young Georgian public policy- and opinion-makers" (Georgia)

Coordinator: Justyna Frelak

As a part of the project IPA, in cooperation with Russian think-tank from Tbilisi, organised a series of training meetings and study visits in Poland for Georgian public policy- and opinion-makers. Its aim was to enhance analytical skills and knowledge of the future opinion-leaders on the Polish transformation period after 1989. Its final stage consisted in a presentation of analyses during a seminar in Tbilisi.

Project status: completed

Implementation period: June 2007 – December 2007

Source of funding: Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Project: "Study programme for young Moldovan public policy- and opinion-makers" (Moldova)

Coordinator: Justyna Frelak

As a part of the project IPA, in cooperation with Russian think-tank IPP from Kishiniov, organised a series of training meetings and study visits in Poland for Moldovan public policy- and opinion-makers. Its aim was to enhance analytical skills and knowledge of the future opinion-leaders on the Polish transformation period after 1989. Its final stage consisted in a presentation of analyses during a seminar in Kishiniov.

Project status: completed

Implementation period: June 2007 – December 2007

Source of funding: Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Project: “Study programme for young Kyrgyz public policy- and opinion-makers”(Kyrgyzstan)

Coordinator: Justyna Frelak

The project, which was first initiated in Russia and Moldova to be then expanded on Georgia in 2007, will now be launched in the countries of Central Asia. Like with its earlier editions, its main goal will be to enhance the analytical skills and build up knowledge of the future opinion-leaders on the Polish transformation period after 1989.

Project status: in continuation

Implementation period: December 2007 – July 2008

Source of funding: PASOS

Project: “Evaluation of Visegrad Countries’ Democratic Assistance Programmes”

Coordinator: Jeff Lovitt (PASOS)

The research focused on the directions, priorities, and forms of Visegrad Countries’ democratic assistance programmes. IPA analyst prepared an analysis of the Polish assistance system and selected projects to be evaluated by target countries (Belarus, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Ukraine). The final stage of the project will consist in the formulation of recommendations on how to reinforce the cooperation in this area and how to boost its efficiency.

Project status: in continuation

Implementation period: July 2007 – July 2008

Source of funding: PASOS

Project: “The Challenge of the EU Development Cooperation Policy for the New Member States”

Coordinator: Jeff Lovitt (PASOS)

The EU Development Cooperation policy constitutes one of the key elements of the EU foreign policy. The EU enlargement directly influenced this sphere of action, which was dictated by financial contribution of the new members and their participation in the decision-making process. The aim of the project was to examine how the selected Central European countries fulfil the requirements of the European Development Cooperation Policy.

Project status: completed

Implementation period: August - December 2007

Source of funding: European Parliament

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- Ewa Giermanowska (ed.), *Young Disabled Persons on Themselves – Family Education Work*; Institute of Public Affairs, Warsaw 2007
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- quarterly no. 10 – "NGOs' Partnership. Germany and Poland";
- quarterly no. 11 – "Experience and Future of Non-Governmental Organisations in Poland";

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- Miroslav Beblavý, “Case Study: the Agricultural Paying Agency in Slovakia”
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- Record of the seminar entitled: “E-voting in Poland” (www.isp.org.pl)
- Record of the discussion panel entitled: “The future of Polish political scene 2006” (www.isp.org.pl)
- Record of the seminar entitled: “Polish judiciary. Its problems and challenges.” (www.isp.org.pl)
- Record of the seminar entitled: “Legislative and organisational changes concerning the opening of legal professions in Poland” (www.isp.org.pl)
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solutions for the social economy sector (author: Izabela Rybka – at www.liskow.org.pl), monitoring of the social dialogue and industrial relations (authors: Rafał Towalski, Jacek Sroka, Jan Czarzasty, Piotr Sula – at www.isp.org.pl).

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- Seminar "Changes in the system of financing of the presidential election campaign", in cooperation with the Stefan Batory Foundation, Warsaw, 10th January,
- Regional conference disseminating the project's results "Flexible forms of employment - a chance for occupational integration of young disabled persons", Gdansk, 29th January,
- Regional conference disseminating the project's results "Flexible forms of employment - a chance for occupational integration of young disabled persons", Częstochowa, 14th February,
- Expert seminar "Polish model of social economy" (projects IW EQUAL / Compass), Warsaw, 14th February,
- Regional conference disseminating the project's results "Flexible forms of employment - a chance for occupational integration of young disabled persons", Lublin, 19th February,
- Conference "Agro- or e-Świętokrzyskie region? In search of the European strategy for the region" part of a cycle "How to talk about the European Union?", Kielce, 22nd February,
- Seminar "Opening of the legal professions in Poland", Warsaw, 23rd February,
- Regional conference disseminating the project's results "Flexible forms of employment - a chance for occupational integration of young disabled persons", Cracow, 28th February,
- Regional conference disseminating the project's results "Flexible forms of employment - a chance for occupational integration of young disabled persons", Lodz, 7th March,
- Regional conference disseminating the project's results "Flexible forms of employment - a chance for occupational integration of young disabled persons", Torun, 12th March,
- The Meeting of the Council of Experts of Citizen and Law Programme, 23rd March,
- Regional conference disseminating the project's results "Flexible forms of employment - a chance for occupational integration of young disabled persons", Wroclaw, 23rd March,
- Study visit within the framework of the project IW EQUAL, Bologna (Italy), 25–28 March,
- Conference summing up the project "Save Public Assets", Riga, 28-30 March,
- Seminar "Law in Non-governmental Organisations" (Compass Project), Warsaw, 30th March,
- Conference "Democratic deficit in the European Union and the European interest groups", in cooperation with the Institute of Sociology, University of Warsaw, Warsaw, 3rd April,
- Regional conference disseminating the project's results "Flexible forms of employment - a chance for occupational integration of young disabled persons", Poznan, 18th April,
- Conference "Effective control over the financing of politics" (with the Batory Foundation), Warsaw, 26th April,

- All-Polish conference “Young disabled persons – occupational activation and unconventional forms of employment” summing up the project “Flexible forms of employment - a chance for occupational integration of young disabled persons”, Warsaw, 27th April,
- Seminar within the framework of international European meetings “Where does Europe end? Debate on Turkey’s accession to the EU”, Warsaw, 11th May,
- Expert seminar “The concept of active social policy in the light of the bill on the application of active social policy” (IW EQUAL project), Warsaw, 14th May,
- Study visit of the Russian participants of traineeship programme in Warsaw, Warsaw, June,
- Open lecture of Hans-Gert Pöttering, the President of the European Parliament, “The future of Europe”, Warsaw, 5th June,
- Conference “Europe in the World: With or Without the Constitution?”, Warsaw, 15th June,
- Study visit within the framework of the project IW EQUAL, Bologna (Italy), 19–23 June,
- Conference 1st Citizens Forum, “To migrate and to return. Labour migration and EU policies”, Wroclaw, 22nd June,
- Conference “The use of structural funds for the growth in Poland”, Warsaw, 22nd June,
- Seminar “Challenges for the integration of the refugees in Poland”, Warsaw, 25th June,
- Seminar “E-voting in Poland”, Warsaw, 3rd July,
- Conference – a presentation of the report “Polish Members to the European Parliament. Their role and their policy impact”, Warsaw, 6th July,
- Seminar “The concept of a simplified form of foundation in view of the proposed changes in the law on NGOs” (Compass Project), Warsaw, 6th July,
- International seminar “Delegation of public tasks to independent agencies in EU member states: Poland and Lithuania”, Warsaw, 29th August,
- Study visit within the framework of the project IW EQUAL, Breda (the Netherlands), 25-29 September,
- Expert seminar “Preliminary results of the research on the functioning of the Act on Public Benefit Activity and Voluntary Assistance” (Compass Project), Warsaw, 26th September,
- Expert seminar “Social dialogue in Poland. Flexicurity: Temporary Job Agencies and working time”, organised by SPP in cooperation with the European Foundation for the Improvement of Working and Living Conditions (EIRO project), Warsaw, 28th September,
- Study visit of the Moldovan participants of the traineeship programme in Warsaw, 1 – 13 October,
- Seminar “Polish judiciary. Its problems and challenges”, Warsaw, 3rd October
- Conference “Polish foreign policy at crossroads”, Warsaw, 9th October,
- Expert seminar devoted to the evaluation of the development potential of the third sector in Poland, Warsaw, 9th October,
- Study visit of the Georgian participants of the traineeship programme in Warsaw, Warsaw, 10 – 22 October,
- Conference “Democracy in Poland 2005-2007”, Warsaw, 11th October,

- ❑ Conference “Social entrepreneurship as a solution for the development of local communities and poverty prevention” organised in cooperation with WRZOS as one of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty events, Warsaw, 12th October,
- ❑ 2nd All-Polish Social Economy Meetings, thematic session: “Revitalisation of rural areas” (IW EQUAL project), Warsaw, 19th October,
- ❑ Conference: “Civic sector 2007 – Poland” a comparative study (Compass Project), Warsaw, 25–26 October,
- ❑ Conference 2nd Citizens Forum: “Open and safe EU. Schengen area extension to include Poland and other new Member States”, Bialystok, 29th October,
- ❑ Seminar devoted to the project entitled: “Experiment with migrants’ integration” in cooperation with Italian partners, Warsaw, 14 – 15 November,
- ❑ Seminar “Factors determining the development of the NGO sector in Poland” within the framework of the conference organised by Wroclaw School of Social Services (Compass Project), Wroclaw, 20th November,
- ❑ International seminar “New Modes of Governance in the New and Old Member States - Similarities and Differences”, Warsaw, 26th November,
- ❑ Conference: “Social or competitive EU? The European Parliament and the EU budgetary policy dilemmas”, Gdansk, 9th November,
- ❑ Seminar of the Council of Experts of the 3rd Citizen and Law Programme, Warsaw, 28th November,
- ❑ Conference “The future of Polish political scene”, Warsaw, 29th November,
- ❑ Conference “The European Parliament and the EU Cohesion Policy” Katowice, 30th November,
- ❑ Seminar “Populism and the Crisis of Liberal Democracy in Central Europe”, Warsaw, 3rd December,
- ❑ Seminar “Legislative and organisational changes in the opening of legal professions in Poland”, Warsaw, 6th December,
- ❑ Expert seminar “The concept of social audit and social reporting” (IW EQUAL project), Warsaw, 7th December,
- ❑ Conference “Integration of immigrants – a challenge for Europe” (presentation of the evaluation of integration programmes for the refugees in Poland and promotion of the report ‘European Citizenship and Social Inclusion Index’), Warsaw, 10th December,
- ❑ Conference “Lisbon Strategy in practice. A change in the labour market policy in Poland?”, Warsaw, 14th December,
- ❑ Conference “Right of petition to the European Parliament - one of the fundamental rights of EU citizens”, Warsaw, 18th December.

THE PARTICIPATION OF IPA WORKERS AND EXPERTS IN THE DISSEMINATION OF THE PROGRAMME WORKS’ RESULTS

Lena Kolarska-Bobińska, Prof., IPA Director

- ❑ Member of the Committee on Sociology, Polish Academy of Science
- ❑ Member of the Committee on Ethics, Polish Academy of Science

- Member of the Scientific Council of the Institute for Social Studies, University of Warsaw
- Member of the Supervisory Board of the Central European University Foundation
- Member of the Advisory Board of the Polish Confederation of Private Employers
- Member of the Steering Committee of the project “New Modes of Governance”, the EU Sixth Framework Programme
- Member of the Civil Rights Ombudsman Council
- Member of the Supervisory Board of the “Europe’s World” publishing house

Selected media appearances, interviews, and commentaries:

Polish media:

- Press; int. al.: PAP, Gazeta Wyborcza, Rzeczpospolita, Dziennik, Polityka, Newsweek, Przekrój, Życie Warszawy, Dziennik Łódzki, Fakt, Polska, Metro, Tygodnik Solidarność, Dziennik Polski, Trybuna, Echo Dnia, Przegląd, Kurier Poranny, Gazeta Krakowska, Dziennik Zachodni, Kurier Lubelski, Gazeta Lubelska, Tygodnik Ciechanowski, Słowo Polskie, Gazeta Wroclawska, Forum, Forum Akademickie, Pismo samorządowe « Wspólnota », Pani, Gala, Temi,
- Radio and TV : TVP1 « Dziennik », « Komentarze », TVP 2 « Panorama », TVN « Fakty », Polsat « Wydarzenia », TVP Polonia, TVP Kultura, TVN24, TVP 3, TV « Biznes » Polsat, TVP Info, TV Puls, Superstacja, TOKFM, Radio Wawa, PR Trójka, Radio Zet, Wirtualna Polska (pre-election debate)

Foreign media:

- Press; int. al.: Les Echos, Financial Times, Newsweek (UK), Reuters, Los Angeles Times, New York Times, El Pais, Associated Press, „Novosti” (Russia), Dagens Nyheter (Sweden), La Croix, Swedish News Agency, Aftenposten (Norway), Stern, Svenska Dagbladet, Reformatorisch Dagblad (the Netherlands) Avvenire (Italy), AFP, ANSA, Irish Times, The Expert (Russia)
- Radio and TV; int. al.: Portuguese TV, RFI Polish section, radio BBC World, National Public Radio (USA), Radio Latvia, ORF (Austrian TV), YLE (Finish TV), TVE (Spanish TV), Belgian radio RTBF, MTV3 (Finish TV), TV4 (Swedish TV), FVT (Swedish TV), PR I (Croatian TV),

Jacek Kucharczyk, Ph.D., Programme Director

- The representative of IPA in *Policy Association for an Open Society PASOS*
- The representative of Poland in ECA NGO Working Group
- Member of the editorial staff of the “European Political Science” periodical
- Member of the Council of Experts of “Citizen and Law” Programme, IPA and Polish-American Freedom Foundation
- Participant of the “21st October” initiative

Media appearances, interviews, and commentaries:

Polish media:

- Press: int. al., „Gazeta Wyborcza”, „Gazeta Prawna”, „Rzeczpospolita”, „Dziennik Łódzki”, „Życie Warszawy”, „Zielony Sztandar”, „Newsweek”, „Poland Monthly”,

- Radio and TV: TVN24, TVN („Fakty”), Polsat („Informacje”), TVP1 („Wiadomości”), TV Biznes Informacje TVP2 („Panorama”), TVP3, TOK FM, PiN FM, Radio Zet, Polskie Radio dla Zagranicy, PR I, PR III („puls Trójki”), Radio ESKA, Radio Plus, Radio Polonia, RMF FM,

Foreign media:

- Press: Associated Press, Agence France Press, Reuters, „Washington Post”, « Daily Telegraph », « Financial Times », „Le Monde”, „Le Figaro”, „La Croix”, « El Pais », « Les Echos » „Svenska Dagbladet” „Reformatorisch Dagblad”
- Radio and TV : BBC World Service, National Public Radio (USA), Radio France International, Ceska Televize, TV2 / Danmark, Radio Free Europe, Radio Liberty