

The 18th European Economic Congress
April 22-24, 2026
KATOWICE
THE INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS CENTRE AND THE SPODEK ARENA

MAIN THEMES

Europe under pressure

Europe's geopolitical agency in times of superpower rivalry. Joint strategies or national interests in the relationship with Russia, China, or the United States. The boundaries of European solidarity in key issues: Ukraine, energy security, migration, defence, technologies, raw materials. The European economy and industry – competitiveness and independence. New allies, joint investments, the role of Europe in the world. The significance of Poland and the region in developing political and economic architecture. Poland in G20 – prestige, commitment, influence.

Sovereignty and competitiveness

Limiting dependence on imports of raw materials, fuels, technologies, food, and drugs – striving for independence in critical sectors. The potential of industry, science, and innovation. Diversification and the shortening of the supply chain. Nearshoring, European and local business in critical investments and the most prominent and promising industries. New models of Europe's cooperation with global economies. Innovations, digitalisation, and automation as key competitive advantages.

Resilience and security

Navigating the geopolitical, economic, and climate turmoil: creating common safety in the European Union and its member states. The development of industrial cooperation and investment in defence: joint security and defence politics. Resilient infrastructure and military readiness. Energy security. Coordinated crisis response – cybersecurity, supply chains, public health.

Energy, transition, investments

Energy transition as an investment in growth and independence. The EU's pace of development and ambitions relative to national economies of the member states. The new power industry – renewable energy sources, nuclear, energy storage, flexible systems, digitalisation, decentralized means of power generation. The impact of energy transition on energy prices and the competitiveness of EU's industry. Large investment programmes in power generation and grid infrastructure; local content. Innovations and technologies.

Digitalisation and technologies of tomorrow

Breakthrough technological trends. Data as fuel for the new economy. Artificial intelligence – a technology that will change everything. Automation, robotisation. Cybersecurity. The digitalisation of manufacturing, power industry, and administration. The space industry and orbital technologies. Digital transition vs. labour market, education, and competences of the future.

Human, development, balance

Human as a subject of economic and technological transition. Education, science and innovations as drivers for growth. The need for new competencies in times of digital and climate transition. Labour market of the future – automation, artificial intelligence, flexible models of employment. Demographics and migration. Health, social security, quality of life, and cohesion. Sustainable growth and solidarity as the pillars of resilient society.

THEMATIC BLOCKS
EUROPE, GEOPOLITICS, STRATEGIES
ENERGY TRANSITION
INDUSTRY, COMPETITIVENESS
ECONOMY, CLIMATE, THE ENVIRONMENT
SECURITY AND DEFENCE
DIGITALISATION, TECHNOLOGIES, HUMAN
EXPANSION, EXPORT
INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION
CONSTRUCTION, INFRASTRUCTURE, TRANSPORT
REAL ESTATE, HOUSING
FINANCE, INVESTMENTS, MANAGEMENT
INNOVATIONS, LABOUR MARKET, EDUCATION
LOCAL GOVERNMENTS
HEALTH CARE
FOOD INDUSTRY
RETAIL
HUMAN, DEVELOPMENT, BALANCE
MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION
CULTURE AND LIFESTYLE

INITIAL THEMATIC SCOPE

TRACK: EUROPE, GEOPOLITICS, STRATEGIES

22 April, 2026 | 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. | Spodek Main Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Europe in the world

The role of Europe in a world mired in conflict, rivalry, and tension. The European Union's approach to superpowers – its initiative, assertiveness and subjectivity in international politics. The role of Central European countries in designing the continent's political and economic architecture. Resilience, competitiveness and re-industrialisation as the sources of Europe's strength. Security and energy independence. Cybersecurity and technological sovereignty. Can Europe become a union of security?

Opening:

- **Wojciech Kuśpik**, CEO of the PTWP Group, initiator of the European Economic Congress
- **Marcin Krupa**, Mayor of Katowice
- **Wojciech Saługa**, Marshal of the Province of Silesia
- **Marek Wójcik**, Governor of Silesia

Speech:

- **Jerzy Buzek**, Member of the European Parliament, President of the European Parliament from 2009 to 2012, Prime Minister from 1997 to 2001, President of the EEC Council

Conversation:

Europe in a world of tensions: security and geopolitics

Energy and transformation: costs, pace, and competitiveness

- **Michał Bolesławski**, President of the Management Board, ING Bank Śląski SA
- **Ireneusz Fąfara**, President of the Management Board, General Director, ORLEN SA
- **Grzegorz Lot**, President of the Management Board, Tauron Polska Energia SA

Conversation:

The reindustrialization of Europe: between ambition and market realities

Technology and financing: how to build Europe's competitive advantage

- **Krzysztof Pawiński**, President of the Management Board, Co-owner, Maspex Group
- **Michał Solowow**, Owner, Synthos SA
- **Johan Pelissier**, President of the Europe Region, Airbus

Moderated by:

- **Joanna Dunikowska-Paź**, Journalist, TVP
- **Aleksandra Helbin**, Editor-in-Chief, WNP

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Green Planet 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Poland in G20

Poland's prestige and image in the world. The impact of Poland's admission to G20 on global politics, trade, GDP, investments, and labour market. Joint investments; following best practice of other members of G20. Poland's voice in the debate on energy transition, digitalisation, economic security, and climate. Possibilities of shaping the global agenda in times of geopolitical tensions like the crisis in the Middle East.

Speech:

- **Andrzej Domański**, Minister of Finance and Economy, Poland

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Przemysław Gdański**, President of the Management Board, Bank BNP Paribas
- **Kasia Kieli**, President & Managing Director, WBD w Polsce, CEO, TVN
- **Piotr Matczuk**, President of the Management Board, Polski Fundusz Rozwoju SA
- **Marcin Okoński**, Managing Director & Partner for Poland, A.T. Kearney
- **Jakub Turowski**, Public Policy Director, Central and Eastern Europe, Meta
- **Piotr Wachowiak**, Rector, SGH Warsaw School of Economics

Moderated by:

- **Andrzej Bobiński**, Managing Director, Polityka Insight

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m. | Ballroom C

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Europe's economic strength

Europe's economic situation in the context of most recent data: the strengths and weaknesses of the community. The European Union as a global economic power. Key factors in establishing the competitiveness of European companies – the industries under tremendous pressure and their prospects for future. Technological and economic sovereignty: a common interest, collective effort? Areas of expertise, investments, and entities of critical significance for the future of Europe's economy. Europe in a global technological race: sovereignty, competitiveness, investments.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Weronika Achramowicz**, Managing Partner, Co-head of Transactional Group, Baker McKenzie
- **Joao Bras Jorge**, Chairman of the Management Board, Bank Millennium
- **Tomasz Domogała**, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, TDJ
- **Krzysztof Pawiński**, President of the Management Board, Co-owner, Maspex Group
- **Mikołaj Raczyński**, Vice President for Investment, Polski Fundusz Rozwoju SA
- **Sebastian Szymanek**, President of the Management Board, Polpharma SA

Moderated by:

- **Jan Niedziałek**, Journalist, TVN

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Ballroom C

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Central Europe as the industrial base of the European Union

The strategic role of Central and Eastern Europe in the geopolitics and economy of the European Union. Cooperation between other countries in the region and their common position in the EU forum. Central and Eastern Europe's industrial potential, energy structure, logistics, and place in the supply chain. The resilience of Central European economies, the development of their defence industry, and the security of the EU's external borders.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Mikołaj Budzanowski**, CEO, InnoEnergy Central Europe
- **Michał H. Mrozek**, Head of Wholesale Banking CEE Network, ING
- **Ionut Farcas**, Zone President, Central Eastern Europe, Schneider Electric

- **Sanjay Samaddar**, Managing Director, ArcelorMittal Poland, General Director, ArcelorMittal Long Products
- **Susanne Szech-Koundouros**, Director General for European Policy, Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy, Germany
- **Katarzyna Piotrowska-Radziejczak**, Member of the Management Board, TZF Polfa SA

Moderated by:

- **Julia Patorska**, Partner, Portfolio Leader Sustainability & Climate in Poland and Central Europe, Deloitte

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Multifunctional Room 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The war in Ukraine

The impact of the ongoing war on European and global economies, logistics, trade, as well as economic and energy security. The situation of Ukraine: the military, political, and economic aspect. Chances of ending the conflict. Conditions required for starting a peace process – the role and voice of Europe. The contribution of Poland and the region to logistics and humanitarian aid.

Speech(10'):

- **Oleksandra Matwijczuk**, Chair, Center for Civil Liberties, Nobel Peace Prize Laureate

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Vasyl Bodnar**, Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Ambassador of Ukraine to Poland
- **Ivan Korčok**, Deputy Chairman, Progressive Slovakia
- **Sylvia Krasoń-Kopaniarz**, Head of International Development, Impel Group, CEO, Impel Ukraine, Vice President, MSPPU
- **Sevgil Musaieva**, Editor-in-Chief, Ukrainska Pravda
- **Natalia Panczenko**, Social Activist; Leader of the Ukrainian Diaspora in Poland; President of the "Stand with Ukraine" Foundation
- **Jacek Piechota**, President, Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce
- **Jacek Siewiera**, LtCol (Res.) of the Polish Armed Forces, Expert, Atlantic Council, Head of the National Security Bureau of Poland 2022-2025

Moderated by:

- **Ruslan Szoszyn**, Foreign Desk Journalist, Rzeczpospolita

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Multifunctional Room 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The reconstruction of Ukraine

The scale of destruction, challenges, and economic opportunities. The reconstruction of transport, energy, and housing infrastructure. Priorities in the reconstruction of Ukraine's economy. Ukraine's integration with the EU market. The share of private equity, financial institutions, and international organisations. Investment security, legal framework, guarantees. What can Poland and other regional countries gain from rebuilding Ukraine and establishing economic partnership with the country.

Conversation 1:1:

- **Paweł Kowal**, Member of the Polish Parliament, Civic Coalition, Chair of the Parliamentary Foreign Affairs Committee

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Bartłomiej Babuśka**, President of the Management Board, Industrial Development Agency JSC (IDA JSC)
- **Jakub Karnowski**, President of the Management Board, Kredobank
- **Paweł Kowal**, Member of the Polish Parliament, Civic Coalition, Chair of the Parliamentary Foreign Affairs Committee
- **Cezary Łysenko**, Member of the Management Board, Operational Director of Infrastructure and General Construction, Budimex SA
- **Martina Quick**, Ambassador of Sweden to Poland
- **Jerzy Jacek Szugajew**, Vice President of the Management Board, Bank BNP Paribas
- **Elena Voloshina**, Head of the International Finance Corporation (IFC) in Ukraine

Moderated by:

- **Dariusz Szymczycha**, First Vice President, Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Conference Room 6

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The role of state in economy

What society expects of the state. The role of the legislator, the strategic investor, and the owner. The impact of regulation on entrepreneurship, business environment, taxes, and employment. Deregulation and the quality of legal solutions in an economic context. Conditions of the state's involvement in key sectors of the economy (security, infrastructure, energy, healthcare). Stability, creating growth, and equal opportunities in a free market for all its participants.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Leszek Balcerowicz**, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance 1989-1991 and 1997-2001, Governor of the National Bank of Poland 2001-2007, Chairman, Council of the Civil Development Forum
 - **Jadwiga Emilewicz**, Minister of Entrepreneurship and Technology and Minister of Development, Poland (2018–2020); Deputy Prime Minister of Poland (2020); Government Plenipotentiary for Polish-Ukrainian Development Cooperation (2023)
 - **Jerzy Hausner**, Chairman of the Programme Council, Open Eyes Economy Summit
 - **Wiktor Janicki**, President of the Board, Employers' Association of Innovative Pharmaceutical Companies INFARMA
 - **Anna Partyka-Opiela**, Partner, Head of the Compliance, Forensic and ESG practices, Rymarz Zdort Maruta Law Firm
 - **Marta Postuła**, First Vice-President of the Management Board, Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego
 - **Marek Serafin**, President of the Management Board, Managing Director, Koksownia Częstochowa Nowa Sp. z o.o.
 - **Grzegorz Wrona**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of State Assets, Poland
- Moderated by:
- **Michał Szuldrzyński**, Editor-in-Chief, Rzeczpospolita

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Conference Room 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Demographics and development

A crisis or a demographic transition? Changes in the age structure, it is one of the most critical developmental problems and a key factor modelling the future of: the economy and market, market and consumption, investment and infrastructure, development and use of technologies, management of human resources, finance and the role of state, the sector of public services, social relationships and culture. Current demographic forecasts and accumulating effects of an ageing society. Adapting the economy and social life to the changing age structure. Responses to the demographic shift in long-term strategies of companies and states. Using resources, work, and technological potential, new models of economic growth taking into account the demographic shift.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Bogdan Benczak**, President of the Management Board, PZU SA
- **Aleksandra Gajewska**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Family Affairs, Labour and Social Policy, Poland
- **Paweł Jaroszek**, Member of the Management Board supervising the Finance and Income Realisation Division, Social Insurance Institution
- **Mariusz Jaszczyk**, Vice President of the Management Board for Finance and Development, Polski Fundusz Rozwoju SA
- **Bartosz Marczuk**, Social Policy Expert, Member of the Management Board, Sobieski Institute
- **Hanna Strzelecka**, First Vice President, Statistics Poland
- **Paweł Strzelecki**, Vice-Chair, Institute of Statistics and Demography, SGH Warsaw School of Economics

Moderated by:

- **Maciej Głogowski**, Programme Director, Editor-in-Chief, Radio TOK FM

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Multifunctional Room 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Ukraine – Poland: partnership and cooperation

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

Logistics of solidarity. Poland as a hub for aid and Ukraine's reconstruction. Infrastructure and investments. How not to waste this opportunity?

- **Leszek Marek Gołąbiecki**, Vice President of the Management Board, Director of Construction Affairs, Unibep SA

Ukrainian defence industry Experiences, technology and innovation, financial needs. Cooperation with European defence and dual-use sector partners

- **Oleg Dubish**, Chairman of the Council, Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce in Ukraine
- **Marcin Kłoczko**, Director, Polska Grupa Zbrojeniowa
- **Jacek Zygmunt**, Advisor to the Management Board, PONAR Wadowice

Entrepreneur's handbook – presentation (special event) A practical, regularly updated, accessible compendium of knowledge essential for Polish companies operating in Ukraine and Ukrainian economic entities active in Poland.

- **Ruslan Syvoplias**, manager of the 'Entrepreneur's handbook' project
- **Adam Świrski**, CRO, Kredobank,

Moderated by:

- **Dariusz Szymczycha**, Vice President, Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce

22 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. | Conference Room 6

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Poland through the world's eyes

Poland 2025 – society, economy, security. The country's accession to the G20 group. The perspective of journalists and correspondents representing foreign media outlets.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Dominika Ćosić**, Journalist, Euronews
- **Adam Hsakou**, Correspondent, Le Figaro, L'Express
- **Rodney Jefferson**, Editor, Bloomberg
- **Raphael Minder**, Correspondent, Financial Times
- **Patrice Schneider**, Chief Strategy Officer, Media Development Investment Fund
- **Charles Szumski**, Editor, Euractiv

Moderated by:

- **Marcin Zaborowski**, Chief of correspondents, TVP World

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Green Planet 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Geopolitics, Economy, Crises

The situation in the Middle East and its long-term consequences — for global energy and raw materials markets, supply chain security, and financial markets. Responses from nations and international institutions. Scenarios and forecasts. U.S. policy toward the shifting global balance of power. China on the path to supremacy – strategy and tactics, real impact on the global economy. More crises ahead? Europe and Poland: the direction – independence; resilience and security as a priority.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Małgorzata Fronczek**, Department of International Economic Relations, University of Economics in Katowice
- **Dominik Kopiński**, Senior Advisor, World Economy Team, Polish Economic Institute
- **Aleksander Siemaszko**, Director, Department for Trade and International Cooperation, Ministry of Economic Development and Technology
- **Stanisław Smoleń**, Ambassador of the Republic of Poland to Iraq (2010–2012), Chargé d'Affaires and Consul of the Republic of Poland (2016–2018)
- **Jakub Sławek**, Ambassador of the Republic of Poland to the United Arab Emirates, Founder, Gulf House, University of Silesia in Katowice
- **Maciej Srebro**, Director, Export Support Department, Polish Investment and Trade Agency (PAIH)
- **Krzysztof M. Zalewski**, President, Boyma Institute

Moderated by:

- **Maciej Zakrocki**, Journalist, TVP, TOK FM

TRACK: ENERGY TRANSITION

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m. | Lecture Hall

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Transition – energy for the economy

Profound transition of the energy mix – where are we and what do we need? The role and strategy of Poland's major players in the energy sector. How can the energy transition both stimulate the economy and increase energy security, especially when the supply of fossil fuels has been disrupted by geopolitical turmoil, including conflict in the Middle East. Demand for renewable energy vs. the stability of the system and energy security. Major investment programs and their impact on the development of industry and innovations. Digitalisation, decentralisation, and infrastructure modernisation. Distributed power generation and its assumed role in the energy mix.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Luiz Hanania**, President of the Management Board, General Director, Veolia Group in Poland
- **Rafał Kasprów**, President of the Management Board, ORLEN Synthos Green Energy
- **Piotr Kuberka**, President of the Management Board, Shell Polska
- **Andrzej Modzelewski**, President of the Management Board, E.ON Polska
- **Katarzyna Rozenfeld**, Vice-President of the Management Board for Operations, PGE Polska Grupa Energetyczna SA
- **Tomasz Szamocki**, Member of the Management Board for Operations, Enea Nowa Energia
- **Jarosław Wajner**, CESA Power & Utilities Leader, Partner, EY
- **Wojciech Wrochna**, Secretary of State, Government Plenipotentiary for Strategic Energy Infrastructure, Ministry of Industry, Poland
- **Krzysztof Zawadzki**, Vice President of the Management Board for Trade, Tauron Polska Energia SA

Moderated by:

- **Aleksandra Helbin**, Editor-in-Chief, WNP

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Lecture Hall

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Europe and its energy

Trends in the transition of Europe's energy sector. Differences between the domestic systems and energy strategies, processes, and shared characteristics. Legislative framework. How does business respond to the challenges of energy transition? Key investments in power generation and energy infrastructure. Energy security and system stability – the impact of the Middle East crisis and deep disruptions in the supply chain of fuels. The availability and affordability of clean energy in the context of the competitiveness of Europe's industry. Technologies that transform the energy sector.

Conversation 1:1:

- **Miłosz Motyka**, Minister of Energy, Poland
- **Aleksandra Helbin**, Editor-in-Chief, WNP

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Borys Budka**, Member of the European Parliament, EP ITRE Committee
- **Gabriel Gorbačevski**, Vice Minister of Energy, Lithuania
- **Szabolcs Hodossy**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Economy, Slovakia
- **Olivier Jouny**, Senior Vice President Renewables, TotalEnergies
- **Krystian Kamyk**, Senior Partner and Managing Director CEE, Kearney
- **Witold Literacki**, Vice President of the Management Board for Corporate Affairs, First Deputy of the President of the Management Board, ORLEN SA
- **Nathan Reich**, Director, Energy Attaché, Department of Energy, U.S. Embassy in Warsaw
- **Jan Sechter**, Deputy Minister of Industry and Trade, Czech Republic

Moderated by:

- **Raphael Minder**, correspondent, Financial Times

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Ballroom A

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Prices of energy

The cost of energy for industry and economy. Legislation defining the competitiveness and stability of the system. Volatile prices and geopolitical uncertainty present new challenges to investors. How to achieve the stability of energy market without compromising green investments?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Wanda Buk**, Advisor to the President of the Republic of Poland
- **Stawomir Kosiba**, President of the Management Board, Fabryka Kociołów „SEFAKO” SA
- **Maciej Kowalski**, CEO, Ignitis
- **Piotr Listwoń**, President of the Management Board, Towarowa Giełda Energii SA
- **Renata Mroczek**, President, Energy Regulatory Office
- **Karolina Roszyk**, CFO, Member of the Management Board, Veolia Group in Poland

Moderated by:

- **Maciej Markiewicz**, Partner, Member of the Management Board, CRIDO Energy

22 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m - 6.00 p.m. | Lecture Hall

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Energy mix, system, security

Energy transition – developing renewable energy sources, nuclear power capabilities, and energy storage without throwing the energy system off balance. The share of coal in the energy mix has decreased, posing a threat to the stability of energy prices and energy distribution. How fast, and in what way, can coal be replaced with renewable energy sources, gas, or nuclear power? Challenges of the transition: modernising the grid, managing the demand, and integrating new energy sources. The modernisation of the energy sector as a factor in national security. The instability of the petroleum exporting regions, including the Middle East, increases the significance of energy mix diversification.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Marzena Czarnecka**, Minister of Industry, Poland (2023-2025)
- **Dorota Jeziorowska**, Director of the Service Office of the Government Plenipotentiary for Strategic Energy Infrastructure, Ministry of Industry, Poland
- **Dariusz Lubera**, President of the Management Board, PGE Polska Grupa Energetyczna SA
- **Grzegorz Onichimowski**, President of the Management Board, Polskie Sieci Elektroenergetyczne SA
- **Karol Rabenda**, Undersecretary of State, Chancellery of the President of the Republic of Poland
- **Robert Stelmaszczyk**, President of the Management Board, Stoen Operator
- **Łukasz Strupczewski**, Executive Director for Crude Oil Trading, ORLEN SA

Moderated by:

- **Marcin Jędrzejewski**, Senior Advisor, Boston Consulting Group

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Green Planet 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Green technologies and investments in the power industry

The development of renewable energy sources, energy storage, other technologies for the power industry and their integration with the current system. Opportunities for local communities and industry. Technologies and investment strategies that accelerate the transition and improve energy security.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Marcin Białek**, CEO, Biogas System SA, Vice President of the Management Board, Biogas and Biomethane Chamber of Commerce
- **Sławomir Czajka**, EY Partner, Tax Department, EY Poland
- **Ilona Garanty**, Managing Director for Corporate Banking Business Analysis and Development, mBank
- **Dalida Gepfert**, Member of the Management Board for Corporate Affairs, Enea SA
- **Paweł Orlof**, Vice President of the Management Board, COO, Veolia Group in Poland
- **Michał Orłowski**, Vice President of the Management Board for Asset Management and Development, TAURON Polska Energia SA
- **Jarosław Wrona**, President of the Management Board, PBI Energia Sp. z o.o
- **Katarzyna Wypychewicz**, Executive Director, Koronea Family Office, President, E-Magazyny

Moderated by:

- **Maciej Martewicz**, Bloomberg

23 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. | Multifunctional Room 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Local content in the power industry

Large investments in Poland's power industry and their potential impact on the country's economy. The share of Polish companies in the supply chain and critical projects. Business practice of major players that are largest tender organizers. Legislation increasing the share of domestic entities in investment programs and the question of their compliance with the principles of free market. The need for unambiguous rules on local content – translating slogans into legal and tender mechanisms. How to create new competencies and know-how in ongoing investment processes in the energy industry. Risk of order backlog and overload of the contractor market.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Ilona Deręgowska**, Vice President of the Management Board, Industrial Development Agency JSC (IDA JSC)
- **Krzysztof Dresler**, Vice President of the Management Board, PKO Bank Polski
- **Witold Literacki**, Vice President of the Management Board for Corporate Affairs, First Deputy of the President of the Management Board, ORLEN SA
- **Szymon Paweł Moś**, President of the Management Board, Polska Spółka Gazownictwa Sp. z o.o.
- **Wojciech Pawłuszko**, Director, Legal Department, Ministry of State Assets, Poland
- **Elżbieta Rogowska**, Vice President of the Management Board, PW Krystian
- **Jakub Stypuła**, President of the Management Board, Polimex Mostostal SA
- **Krzysztof Zawadzki**, Vice President of Management Board for Trade, TAURON Polska Energia SA

Moderated by:

- **Kacper Świsłowski**, Journalist, WNP.PL

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Conference Room 24

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Investments in the grid

Modernising the energy transmission and distribution grid in the context of the development of renewable energy sources, nuclear power, and offshore wind. The scale of projects and their significance for the economy. Energy storage infrastructure. The resilience and flexibility of the power system relative to the country's energy security. Local content in investments in the grid, their financing, the development of competencies and a track record for international expansion.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Beata Frankiewicz-Boniecka**, Director, Strategic Clients Department, Bank Pekao SA
- **Wojciech Graczyk**, Member of the Management Board, Stoen Operator
- **Mariusz Kondraciuk**, Smart Infrastructure Industry Director, Siemens Poland
- **Paweł Kujawski**, Sales and Marketing Director, Electrification Distribution Solution, ABB Poland
- **Maciej Mróz**, President of the Board, Polish Society for Transmission and Distribution of Electricity, Vice President of the Management Board, Tauron Dystrybucja SA
- **Konrad Purchała**, Vice President of the Management Board, Polskie Sieci Elektroenergetyczne SA

- **Michał Stępień**, President of the Management Board, ZPUE SA
- **Marek Szymankiewicz**, President of the Management Board, Enea Operator

Moderated by:

- **Adam Kosieradzki**, Journalist, WNP.PL

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Bingo

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Critical Energy Infrastructure

The security of generation, transmission and distribution infrastructure – its vulnerability to crises and acts of aggression. Entities related to infrastructure that is critical to the state. Investments and modernisation projects that are needed to increase the resilience of the energy system. Cyber threats prevention.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Tomasz Bendlewski**, Vice President of the Management Board, Asseco Poland
- **Sławomir Hinc**, President of the Management Board, GAZ-SYSTEM
- **Anna Nowak-Jaworska**, Country President, Poland, Schneider Electric
- **Grzegorz Onichimowski**, President of the Management Board, Polskie Sieci Elektroenergetyczne SA
- **Daniel Świętochowski**, Chairman of the Board, PERN
- **Paweł Wojtunik**, Member of the Management Board, Security and Risk, Orlen SA

Moderated by:

- **Dominik Brodacki**, Polityka Insight

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m. | Bingo

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The Fuel Market

The Polish market of fuels after structural changes. Investments and allies vs. fuel security. The impact of prices volatility, geopolitical uncertainty and energy transition on the condition and possibilities of Polish businesses. Problems with the diversification of energy sources and challenges presented by energy storage, distribution infrastructure and the adoption of international and climate-related legislation.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Adam Ambrozik**, Director of Regulatory Affairs, BP Europa SE, Poland
- **Piotr Gryska**, Vice President of the Management Board, PERN
- **Michał Hojowski**, Vice President of the Management Board for Energy Transformation, UNIMOT SA
- **Katarzyna Konowrocka**, Director for Energy Transformation, Shell Polska
- **Ireneusz Sitarski**, Vice-President of the Management Board, Downstream, Orlen SA

Moderated by:

- **Michał Krawczyk**, Principal, A.T. Kearney

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Lecture Hall

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Nuclear power

Poland's progress on the development of nuclear power. The impact of Poland's first nuclear power plant on the country's energy security and its ambition to reduce its carbon emissions. The schedule and challenges. How to secure long-term financing for nuclear projects? The safety protocol. Integrating nuclear power with Poland's energy system.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Andrzej Głowacki**, President, National Atomic Energy Agency
- **Leszek Holda**, President of the Management Board, Bechtel Poland
- **Ewelina Karp-Kręglińska**, Member of the Management Board, Technical and Development Director, UNIBEP SA
- **Mirosław Kowalik**, President of the Management Board, Westinghouse Electric Poland
- **Jacek Lech**, President of the Management Board, Managing Director, Mostostal Kraków SA, Budimex Group
- **Bogumiła Ożarska-Karbowiak**, Vice President of the Management Board, Polskie Elektrownie Jądrowe
- **Paweł Smoliński**, President, Office of Technical Inspection
- **Wojciech Wrochna**, Secretary of State, Government Plenipotentiary for Strategic Energy Infrastructure, Ministry of Industry, Poland

Moderated by:

- **Bartłomiej Sawicki**, Journalist, Rzeczpospolita

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Lecture Hall

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Small Atom in the System

The place of SMR technology in the state's energy policy. The potential role of SMR in balancing Poland's energy system. How mature the technology is and what are the prospects of its adoption; costs and models of financing. Small modular reactors as a source of stable, flexibly available, and zero-emission energy; their application in heat and power generation, industry, and local energy systems. Legislative hurdles, security, the need for national technological competences. The interest of major players and opportunities for new suppliers of the technology.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Sandro Baldi**, Commercial Director, NUWARD EDF
- **Marcin Ciepliński**, Director of Strategy and Business Development, ORLEN Synthos Green Energy
- **Paweł Gajda**, Director, Department of Nuclear Energy, Ministry of Energy, Poland
- **Łukasz Gola**, Head of Business Development, Hitachi Europe Ltd.
- **Jacek Kaczorowski**, President of the Management Board, PGE Górnictwo i Energetyka Konwencjonalna SA
- **Jeremy Stain**, Director of Nuclear, Arup
- **Anna Szczodra**, Co-Managing Partner, Legal Counsel, Leader in energy sector advisory in Poland and Central and Eastern Europe, KPMG Law

Moderated by:

- **Wojciech Jakóbk**, energy sector analyst, Centre for Energy Security, Podcast Energy Drink

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Multifunctional Room 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Local Content in the Nuclear Power Industry

The potential of the Polish industry for pursuing the country's nuclear programme. Participation in designing, building and maintaining a nuclear power plant; creating jobs and developing specialized competences for hi-tech. The possibility of Poland's industry becoming a permanent link in the supply chain of nuclear power. Certificates and the qualification of suppliers; training personnel and developing quality systems. The role of the state and surrounding institutions. The transfer of knowledge and technology.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Joel Eacker**, Vice President for new projects, Westinghouse Electric Company
- **Andrzej Jarczyk**, President of the Board, TUW PZUW
- **Piotr Kańtoch**, Vice-President, Development Director, Powen-Wafapomp SA Group
- **Grzegorz Maj**, Management Board Plenipotentiary for Market Development Support, Polskie Elektrownie Jądrowe Sp. z o.o.
- **Wojciech Majka**, President of the Board, Managing Director, Ecol Sp. z o.o.
- **Krzysztof Telega**, Vice President of the Management Board, Industrial Development Agency JSC (IDA JSC)

Moderated by:

- **Paweł Czuryło**, Managing Editor, Rzeczpospolita, Parkiet

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Conference Room 8

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

On-shore Wind – Efficiency and Barriers

On-shore wind as an element of energy transition and a factor in energy independence. Investors, plans, and projects. Integration with the energy system. The efficiency of on-shore wind – investment costs, financial support, legislation; social and environmental challenges. Prospects for the development of the sector – its impact on prices and the market and its role in the assumed energy mix.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Tomasz Guzowski**, President, OX2 Polska
- **Szymon Kowalski**, Vice President of the Management Board, Polish Wind Energy Association
- **Ireneusz Kulka**, Country Lead, EDP Polska
- **Piotr Maciołek**, Vice President of the Management Board, EnercoNet SA
- **Michał Orłowski**, Vice President of the Management Board for Asset Management and Development, TAURON Polska Energia SA
- **Magdalena Sobczyńska**, Commercial Asset Management Director, VSB Energie Odnawialne Polska Sp. z o.o.
- **Olga Sypuła**, Vice President & Regional Manager of Central Europe, European Energy
- **Jacek Wojerz**, Member of the Management Board, COO, Ignitis Renewables

Moderated by:

- **Adam Kosieradzki**, Journalist, WNP.PL

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Conference Room 24

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Off-shore Wind – Potential, Development, Challenges

Off-shore wind – potential, logistical and infrastructural challenges, the cost of a wind farm and its environmental impact. The progress and financing of off-shore wind, cooperation with the ship-building industry and transmission infrastructure. Local content in off-shore wind; best practice, the possibility of increasing scale at later stages. Competences, staff, labour market.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Bartosz Fedurek**, President of the Management Board, PGE Baltica
- **Szymon Kowalski**, Vice President of the Management Board, Polish Wind Energy Association
- **Ewa Makowska**, Expert, Offshore Wind Energy Department, Ministry of Climate and Environment
- **Agata Staniewska-Bolesta**, Managing Director, Ørsted Polska
- **Kacper Stanosz**, Counsel in the Energy and Infrastructure Practice, CMS Poland

Moderator:

- **Kacper Świsłowski**, Journalist, WNP.PL

23 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. | Lecture Hall

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The heating sector – major transformation

Transformation of district heating: a convergence of regulatory, investment, cost, and technical challenges under time pressure. Nature of investments, prevailing trends, local conditions, financing. Public aid and systemic support for decarbonisation – industry proposals. Investment expenditures, tariffing, and social acceptance of heat prices – how to reconcile them? The heat sector as a participant in comprehensive decarbonisation and as part of diversified energy systems – what changes does this require?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Marcin Laskowski**, Vice President of the Management Board for Regulations, PGE Polska Grupa Energetyczna SA, President of the Management Board, Polish Association of Heat Energy
- **Jörn-Erik Mantz**, President of the Management Board, E.ON EIS Polska, Member of the Management Board, E.ON Polska
- **Renata Mroczek**, President, Energy Regulatory Office
- **Jaromír Pečonka**, President of the Management Board, ResInvest Energy Polska
- **Marcin Stanisławski**, President of the Management Board, TAURON Ciepło
- **Artur Stawiarski**, President of the Management Board, myORLEN sp. z o.o., Executive Director for Transformation, Consumers and Products, ORLEN SA
- **Krzysztof Zamasz**, CCO & Vice President of the Management Board in Veolia Group in Poland

Moderated by:

- **Monika Gruźlewska**, Director, Polish Heat Engineering Association

24 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Ballroom A

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Heat, investments, technologies

How to meet the requirements of an efficient district heating system? Review of ongoing investment strategies of heating companies, highlighting effective solutions. Experiences, lessons learned, and adjustments. Cogeneration, gas, electrification (RES), biomass, and waste heat – the complex structure of hybrid solutions. Modernization of heating networks, energy efficiency, and storage systems. Partnership projects, collaboration within local heat markets, and the role of local authorities and consumers.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Piotr Dembiński**, Member of the Management Board, GPEC Group
- **Sławomir Kamiński**, President of the Management Board, Director, Przedsiębiorstwo Energetyki Ciepłej Sp. z o.o. w Bytomiu
- **Jacek Kostrzewa**, President of the Management Board, Krajowa Agencja Poszanowania Energii SA
- **Mariusz Michalek**, Vice President of the Management Board, PGE Energia Ciepła
- **Grzegorz Płaczek**, Member of the Polish Parliament, Konfederacja Parliamentary Club
- **Marcin Stanisławski**, President of the Management Board, TAURON Ciepło

Moderated by:

- **Tomasz Pietryga**, Editor-in-Chief, Dziennik Gazeta Prawna

22 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m - 6.00 p.m. | Bingo

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Biogas and Alternative Fuels

Biogas and biomethane as locally available, distributed sources of energy, both in transport and the grid. The current potential and prospects for the sector. The use of agricultural and communal waste. The development of alternative fuels production – biomethane, biohydrogen, synthetic fuels. The need for predictable legislation and support for investment. The significance of biogas and biomethane for energy security and circular economy.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Sabine Dujacquier**, President of the Management Board, Polska Grupa Biogazowa SA

- **Grzegorz Józwiak**, Executive Director for Biofuels and Hydrogen, Orlen SA
 - **Katarzyna Konowrocka**, Director for Energy Transformation, Shell Polska
 - **Bartosz Piechota**, CEO the NEXTI business line, LipCo Foods Group, Member of the Management Board, LipCo Foods International
 - **Anna Podolak**, Managing Director Europe, Roeslein & Associates
 - **Artur Zawisza**, President, Union of Producers and Employers of the Biogas and Biomethane Industry
- Moderated by:
- **Marcin Białek**, CEO, Biogas System SA, Vice President of the Management Board, Biogas and Biomethane Chamber of Commerce

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Ballroom A

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Hydrogen and Hydrogen Economy

Hydrogen as an energy carrier in the process of decarbonisation. Its application in industry, transport, and energy storage. The hydrogen market in Poland and Europe – infrastructure and certification. Are high costs the main barrier? Integrating hydrogen with the energy and industry system.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Grzegorz Józwiak**, Director, Office of Hydrogen and Synthetic Fuel Technologies, Orlen SA
- **Krzysztof Kochanowski**, President of the Management Board, Polish Chamber of Energy Storage and Electromobility PIME Association
- **Aleksander Naumann**, hydrogen tech expert, Hynfra P.S.A., Member of the Management Board, Hydrogen Poland
- **Michał Nowak**, manager, Kearney
- **Agnieszka Ozga**, Director, Energy Transformation Division, GAZ-SYSTEM

Moderated by:

- **Dariusz Malinowski**, Journalist, WNP.PL

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Lecture Hall

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Gas as a Source of Power and Heat

Natural gas as a transitional fuel, its significance for the security of supply and the stability of the energy system. The development of gas-fired heating and power plants in the face of climate legislation. Investment in the country: the location, the scale, the role in the system, conditions of economic viability. The risk of long-term dependence on fuel supply in a situation of conflict, tension and persisting instability in the Persian Gulf. The alternatives: diversification of sources and import routes, gradual replacement of natural gas with biomethane and hydrogen.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Rafał Domaszewski**, Vice President of the Management Board, Wholesale Market Director, Veolia Energy Contracting Poland
- **Kowalski**, Member of the Management Board, Polska Spółka Gazownictwa
- **Marcin Laskowski**, Vice President of the Management Board for Regulations, PGE Polska Grupa Energetyczna SA, President of the Management Board, Polish Association of Heat Energy
- **Rafał Wardziński**, Executive Director for Upstream Operations, ORLEN SA
- **Sławomir Żygowski**, Country Executive, GE Vernova Poland

Moderated by:

- **Kamila Wajszczuk**, Journalist, Polish Press Agency (PAP)

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E-mobility

Mass e-mobility – conditions for development in the next decade. The electrification of transport in relation to demand for green energy. The density of charging infrastructure, its integration with the power grid, and necessary investment.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Agnieszka Czajka**, Vice President Motors Professionals Europe, OLX Group/OTOMOTO
- **Maciej Mazur**, Managing Director, Polish New Mobility Association
- **Igor Śmietański**, Vice-Chairman of the Management Board, Metropolis GZM (Upper Silesian-Zagłębie Metropolis)
- **Dariusz Tucharz**, Vice President of the Management Board, mLeasing
- **Grzegorz Woliński**, Director for Electromobility, ORLEN SA
- **Bartłomiej Wyczałkowski**, President of the Management Board, Tauron Nowe Technologie SA

Moderated by:

- **Piotr Myszor**, Journalist, WNP.PL

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Ballroom A

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Energy efficiency

Efficient management of energy in the light of legislation and in everyday business practice. Energy intensity in ESG strategies – to what extent does reducing energy demand accelerate the achievement of the goal of sustainable development? Directions and models of investing, financing tools, available technologies. The business potential of solutions aimed at increasing energy efficiency. Integrating renewable energy sources with smart energy management systems. Optimising consumption and reducing costs while continuing generation. Staff dedication and culture of saving. The impact of energy efficiency on the value of assets, relationships with investors, and the image of a company.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Magdalena Bezulska**, President of the Management Board, General Director, Veolia Term
- **Monika Bryl**, Vice President of the management Board, Katowickie Inwestycje SA
- **Marek Marchewka**, Services Sales Director Poland, Schneider Electric
- **Sebastian Skala**, Powertrain Systems Business Director, ABB Poland
- **Dorota Zawadzka-Stępnia**k, President of the Management Board, National Fund for Environmental Protection and Water Management

Moderated by:

- **Jacek Kostrzewa**, President of the Management Board, Krajowa Agencja Poszanowania Energii SA

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This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Nuclear power – a new opening

Nuclear power, investments, technologies: in the world, in Europe, and in Poland. The scale of investments – their significance for changes in the energy mix, energy sovereignty, economic competitiveness, and progress on energy transition. Prospects of nuclear projects in the face of volatile geopolitics. The international experience and EU policy in terms of nuclear power; how to utilize global know-how and EU legislation to safely develop nuclear power facilities. Effective, scalable, safe – the nuclear technologies of today. Power from nuclear power plants in the European market.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Jeffrey Colborn**, Accenture Nuclear Power Subject Matter Advisor
- **Thierry Deschaux**, General Director, EDF Representative Office in Poland
- **Dagmara Peret**, Country Executive, Vice President, GE Vernova Hitachi Nuclear Energy
- **Jerry Piskorski**, Director, Candu New Build, Poland, Candu Energy Inc, an AtkinsRéalis company
- **Agnieszka Skorupińska**, Partner in charge of the Sustainable Development and Energy Transition Team, Baker McKenzie
- **Wojciech Śpiewak**, Executive Director, Polskie Elektrownie Jądrowe

Moderated by:

- **Aleksandra Helbin**, Editor-in-Chief, WNP

24 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Green Planet 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

New energy – best practices

The largest and most interesting investments in the Polish energy sector. Experiences of investors and contractors presented through case studies. Best practices in local content. How to efficiently use local resources, skills, and execution capacity? Coordination and management of complex, large-scale projects. Dialogue at different stages of the process. New competencies and acquired know-how.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Janusz Fic**, President of the Management Board, Krośnieński Holding Komunalny
- **Przemysław Jaszek**, Director of Energy Construction Projects, Unibep SA
- **Jennifer Lee**, International Business Development, Formosa Smart Energy, wiceprezes, Formosa SKB Solutions
- **Tomasz Małecki**, Vice President of the Management Board for Strategy, PGE Dystrybucja
- **Grzegorz Nowaczewski**, President of the Management Board, Virtual Power Plant

Moderated by:

- **Adam Kosieradzki**, Journalist, WNP.PL

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22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m. | Conference Room 23

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Industry for a Time of Crisis

Industrial production in the context of geopolitics and global mega trends. Disrupted supply chains. Sustainable production, emissions, green technologies. Access to stable energy in affordable prices. Digitalisation, automation and robotisation of production – a response to current and future challenges. Re-industrialisation, the protection of European capital, production close to the border as a factor in economic sovereignty.

Introduction (5'):

• **Maciej Kalbarczyk**, Managing Director Orphoz in Central Europe, Partner, McKinsey & Company Poland
The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Wojciech Koszuta**, President of the Management Board, General Director, ArcelorMittal Poland
- **Ewa Lipka**, Vice President of the Management Board, Katowice Special Economic Zone
- **Ignacy Niemczycki**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of Poland
- **Adam Sikorski**, President of the Management Board, Unimot SA
- **Tomasz Ślęzak**, President of the Management Board, Węglkokoks SA
- **Patryk Welnicki**, Leader in technical Deputy Director, Department of Strategic Clients' Insurance, EIB SA
- **Magdalena Zmitrowicz**, Member of the Management Board, Bank Millennium

Moderated by:

- **Maciej Kalbarczyk**, Managing Director Orphoz in Central Europe, Partner, McKinsey & Company Poland

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Conference Room 23

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Critical Raw Materials

The significance of access to raw materials in the global economy: technological development, defence, and economic resilience. The situation of European countries in the context of the superpowers' raw-material policies. Is Europe going to invest in critical raw materials outside of the European Union? How to maintain one's independence in case of future diplomatic and geopolitical crises. Waste – a source of valuable raw material. Industrial recycling of strategic raw materials could increase Europe's independence.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Zbigniew Bryja**, Vice President of the Management Board for Development, KGHM Polska Miedź SA
- **Krzysztof Galos**, Undersecretary of State, Chief National Geologist, Ministry of Climate and Environment
- **John Hannaford**, Personal Representative of the Canadian Prime Minister to the European Union
- **Paweł Jarski**, Chief Executive Officer, Elemental Holding Group
- **Michał Kobosko**, Member of the European Parliament
- **Arkadiusz Kustra**, Dean, Faculty of Civil Engineering and Resource Management, AGH University of Krakow
- **Jordan Pandoff**, CEO, Lumina
- **Dorota Włoch**, President of the Management Board, Eneris Surowce

Moderated by:

- **Bartosz Krzemiski**, Senior Economic Analyst, Polityka Insight

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m. | Ballroom A

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Local Content

Protection of the domestic market and a country's share in investment – different faces of local content. How to maintain the right balance between open market and protection of one's strategic interest? The "multiplier effect": branches and sectors of the economy with a high potential share of local content – a factor in the economy's resilience and independence. Local content and the system of public procurement. Developing local supply chains – security and added value. Models of cooperation: combining potential, establishing consortia, exchanging experience, competencies and know-how. Relationships with investors and foreign contractors – best practice, standards and tactics of "entering" large projects.

Speech:

- **Wojciech Balczun**, Minister of State Assets, Poland

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Ilona Deregowska**, Vice President of the Management Board, Industrial Development Agency JSC (IDA JSC)
- **Ireneusz Fąfara**, President of the Management Board, General Director, ORLEN SA
- **Mariusz Górecki**, President of the Management Board, CEO, Atlas Ward
- **Grzegorz Kinelski**, President of the Management Board, Enea SA

- **Tomasz Laudy**, CEO, OChK
- **Grzegorz Lot**, President of the Management Board, Tauron Polska Energia SA
- **Dariusz Lubera**, President of the Management Board, PGE Polska Grupa Energetyczna SA
- **Agnieszka Olszewska**, President, Public Procurement Office
- **Remigiusz Paszkiewicz**, President of the Management Board, KGHM Polska Miedź SA
- **Marcin Trepka**, partner, Head of Competition Practice, Baker McKenzie

Moderated by:

- **Paweł Czuryło**, Managing Editor, Rzeczpospolita, Parkiet

24 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Multifunctional Room 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Industry and Innovations

The willingness of industrial companies to adopt innovation: investment, cooperation, risk. The industry-science and industry-startup relationship. Industrial companies' research and development programmes, the sharing of research results, cooperation, and broad commercialisation.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Wojciech Białas**, Head of Department of Biotechnology and Food Microbiology, Poznan University of Life Sciences
- **Hubert Cichocki**, President, Łukasiewicz Center
- **Marek Gzik**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Science and Higher Education, Poland
- **Piotr Rosikowski**, Director of Technology and Development, PONAR Wadowice
- **Radosław Serwiński**, executive engineering leader in Poland, GE Aerospace, President of the Management Board, Laboratorium Badań Napędów Lotniczych „Polonia Aero” Sp. z o.o.
- **Marcin Witulski**, President of the Management Board, Polmlek Sp. z o.o.

Moderated by:

- **Bartosz Krzeminski**, Senior Economic Analyst, Polityka Insight

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This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The Iron and Steel Industry

The condition of the iron and steel industry in Poland and the EU in light of current legislation, the cost of energy, competition from outside of the EU, and market protection. Investment in specialized manufacturing of steel products. Steel production vs. the needs of defence industry. Own manufacturing capacities in the steel-making industry and nearshoring – their role in maintaining economic independence and safety.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Henryk Orczykowski**, President of the Management Board, General Director, Stalprofil
- **Hanna Purzyńska**, Director, Materials Research Centre, Łukasiewicz Research Network - Upper Silesian Institute of Technology
- **Marek Serafin**, President of the Management Board, Managing Director, Koksownia Częstochowa Nowa Sp. z o.o.
- **Adrian Sienicki**, Capital Group Vice-President of the Management Board, Węglkokoks SA
- **Piotr Sikorski**, President of the Management Board, Polska Unia Dystrybutorów i Przetwórców Stali
- **Tadeusz Telejko**, Vice-Rector for General Affairs, AGH University of Krakow

Moderated by:

- **Piotr Myszor**, Journalist, WNP.PL

24 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Ballroom B

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Automotive, production, mobility

European automotive – the current situation and prospects for the industry in the context of legislation, protection of the EU market, global competition, and technological trends. The European market for electric and hybrid cars. China's offensive in the production of electric vehicles. Poland and Europe's automotive industry faced with changes in the structure of automotive production. Dilemmas of electrification of road transport. Charging infrastructure – availability, density, development. Personal e-mobility – trends and limitations.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Tomasz Bęben**, President of the Management Board, Association of Automotive Parts Distributors and Manufacturers
- **Jakub Faryś**, President, Polish Automotive Industry Association
- **Janusz Puzoń**, Director, Vehicle Plant, Stellantis
- **Jacek Pużuk**, President of the Management Board, WUZETEM
- **Katarzyna Sobótka**, eMobility expert
- **Mateusz Starczyk**, President of the Management Board, mLeasing
- **Attila Szabó**, President, Managing Director, Ford Poland

Moderated by:

- **Marcin Piasecki**, Managing Editor, Rzeczpospolita

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Bingo

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The Aviation and Space Industry

Production for aviation, space industry and the sector of unmanned aircraft – demand in a global scale. The significance of drones and satellite system for defence, logistics, and monitoring, Opportunities for developing specialized capabilities, benefiting from the economic situation, developing groundbreaking technologies, innovations, and competences. Can Poland become a link in Europe's "space chain of value"? Limitations: investment costs, environmental legislation, safety requirements, the availability of components.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Jarosław Kozuba**, Director, Civil Aviation Personnel Training Centre for Central and Eastern Europe, Silesian University of Technology
- **Sebastian Magadzio**, President, Airbus Poland, HO Central Europe, Airbus Defence and Space
- **Justyna Redelkiewicz**, Senior Partner (Space Practice), 3 Hazel Tree Partners, CEO & Founder, GoCosmic
- **Tomasz Rożek**, Science Journalist, Founder, 'Nauka. To Lubię' Foundation
- **Michał Sz wajewski**, President, Space Entrepreneurship Institute, Chief Executive Officer, AROBS Polska

Moderated by:

- **Jan Jęcz**, Digital Economy Analyst, Polityka Insight

24 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Multifunctional Room 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Power for industry

The role of energy-intensive industries in achieving economic sovereignty. The increasing pressure exerted by energy prices and unpredictable environmental legislation – their impact on the competitiveness of European businesses. Solutions supporting energy-intensive manufacturing in national economic policies. A treaty for clean industry, CBAM – between declarations and reality. Adaptive efforts of companies: purchasing strategies, technologies, investment. Improving the efficiency of manufacturing – tools, software, financing. The role of renewable energy sources and energy auto-generation.

Introduction (7'):

- **Marcin Dusiło**, Industry Programme Lead, Forum Energii
- The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):
- **Krzysztof Czajka**, Vice President of the Management Board, Tauron Sprzedaż
 - **Marcin Dusiło**, Industry Programme Lead, Forum Energii
 - **Cyril Kozaczewski**, Member of the Management Board, Hynfra P.S.A. (General Partner of Hynfra Capital Fund S.C.A. SICAV- RAIF)
 - **Andrzej Losor**, Member of the Management Board, Head of Sales Development, Low Carbon and ESG Products, Heidelberg Materials Polska
 - **Aleksander Naumann**, hydrogen tech expert, Hynfra P.S.A., Member of the Management Board, Hydrogen Poland
 - **Anna Nowak-Jaworska**, Country President, Poland, Schneider Electric
 - **Piotr Mikusek**, Director of the Regulatory Affairs Office, Grupa Azoty
 - **Grzegorz Płaczek**, Member of the Polish Parliament, Konfederacja Parliamentary Club

Moderated by:

- **Piotr Myszor**, Journalist, WNP.PL

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Mining of the future

The impact of the transition in the sector of bituminous coal and brown coal mining on regional economies and local communities. Challenges of retraining and adapting former employees of the mining industry to the current labour market. Maintaining and transferring unique competencies and know-how to other fields: circular economy, sourcing and processing critical raw materials and REE from waste, reuse of mining waste. Innovative solutions supporting sustainable use of resources. How to maximise the value of mining experience in new industrial and energy projects? Manufacturers and providers serving the mining sector in a new market situation – directions and effects of utilizing their potential.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Łukasz Deja**, President of the Management Board, Polska Grupa Górnicza
- **Sławomir Krenczyk**, Deputy President of the Management Board for Development, Lubelski Węgiel 'Bogdanka' SA
- **Alicja Krzemień**, President, European Association of Coal and Lignite - EURACOAL, Head, Laboratory of Risk Assessment and Safety in Industry, Department of Exploitation Technology, Rockbursts and Risk Assessment, Central Mining Institute - National Research Institute
- **Maciej Młynarczyk**, Director, Department of Geology, Ministry of Climate and Environment, Poland
- **Bogusław Oleksy**, Acting President of the Management Board, Vice-President of the Management Board for Financial Matters, Jastrzębska Spółka Węglowa SA
- **Janusz Olszowski**, President, Mining Chamber of Industry and Commerce
- **Marek Wesoly**, Member of the European Parliament
- **Marian Zmarzły**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Energy, Poland

Moderated by:

- **Jerzy Dudała**, dziennikarz, WNP.PL

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Bingo

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Space industry

Space is becoming the new critical infrastructure and part of the global economy. Satellites, Earth observing systems, orbital communication and rocket technologies – their significance for security, the economy, and climate. Polish competencies in the space tech sector and Poland's place in the global chain of value of the space economy – from suppliers of components to operators of orbital data. Polish industry in the segment of micro satellites and nano satellites. New business models: from Earth observation to "space data as a service". Financing space projects – how to use funds of the ESA, Horizon Europe, and private investments? Cooperation with the ESA as an opportunity for Polish enterprises and a stimulus for regional development.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Jacek Mandas**, Vice President of the Management Board, Creotech Instruments SA
- **Marta Wachowicz**, President, Polish Space Agency
- **Witold Witkowicz**, President of the Management Board, ICEYE Polska
- **Paweł Wojtkiewicz**, President, Polish Space Industry Association, Director for Space Sector, GMV Poland
- **Michał Zachara**, President of the Management Board, KP Labs
- **Zbysław Ziemacki**, Director, Department of Innovation and Space Policy, Ministry of Economic Development and Technology, Poland

Moderated by:

- **Hubert Kijek**, Science Journalist, TVN24 BiS

23 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m. – 6.00 p.m. | Conference Room 6

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Science, staff, space

Space technologies and their commercialisation as a promising branch of the Polish and global economy as well as an opportunity for young engineers and specialists. The unique role of combining business and scientific competencies. Staff for the space industry – needs and possibilities. Internship schemes, the activity of universities, utilizing the competencies of people working in the space industry at home and abroad.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Jerzy Buzek**, Member of the European Parliament, President of the European Parliament from 2009 to 2012, Prime Minister from 1997 to 2001, President of the EEC Council
- **Marek Gzik**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Science and Higher Education, Poland
- **Jakub Nalepa**, Department of Algorithmics and Software, Faculty of Automatic Control, Electronics And Computer Science, Silesian University of Technology
- **Piotr Orleański**, Director, Space Research Centre, Polish Academy of Sciences (PAN)
- **Tomasz Rożek**, Science Journalist, Founder, 'Nauka. To Lubię' Foundation
- **Marta Wachowicz**, President, Polish Space Agency
- **Witold Witkowicz**, President of the Management Board, ICEYE Polska Sp. z o.o.
- **Zbysław Ziemacki**, Director, Department of Innovation and Space Policy, Ministry of Economic Development and Technology, Poland

Moderated by:

- **Tadeusz Uhl**, Dean of Faculty of Space Technologies, AGH University of Krakow

TRACK: ECONOMY, CLIMATE, THE ENVIRONMENT

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Green Planet 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Challenges of the Climate Policy

The current goal of climate neutrality for the EU – its consequences depending on each country's characteristics, energy mix, and stage of development. What legislative tools will shape the European economy in the coming years? Is it possible to achieve climate neutrality without damaging the competitiveness of the European economy? The future of ETS in the context of energy prices – direction of change, potential impact on the economy of the member states. How will the planned adjustments impact the mechanism of industry decarbonisation? Market protection, support for industry, funding for investment, time needed to adapt. The approach of the EU to its global partners in terms of pro-environmental activity.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Wojciech Dąbrowski**, President of the Management Board, Security Energy Technology Foundation
- **Aleksandra Karpińska**, Acting Executive Director for Regulatory Affairs and Compliance, ORLEN SA
- **Robert Kropiwnicki**, Member of the Polish Parliament
- **Andrzej Losor**, Member of the Management Board, Head of Sales Development, Low Carbon and ESG Products, Heidelberg Materials Polska
- **Piotr Mikusek**, Director of the Regulatory Affairs Office, Grupa Azoty SA
- **Janusz Steinhoff**, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Economy in 1997-2001
- **Aleksandra Stanek-Kowalczyk**, EY Partner, Consulting Sustainability Leader, EY Poland
- **Kamil Wyszowski**, Executive Director, Country Representative, UN Global Compact Network Poland

Moderated by:

- **Joanna Maćkowiak-Pandera**, President of the Management Board, Forum Energii

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Green Planet 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Green Financing

New financial mechanisms accelerating the transition – the EU taxonomy, the Modernisation Funds. New possibilities, rules, and limitations. Smaller companies' access to financing. ESG reporting requirements and high investment thresholds. Does green financing actually support the transition?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Monika Constant**, President of the Management Board, Polish Leasing Association ZPL
- **Anna Link**, Executive Director, Sustainability and Food&Agri Area, Bank BNP Paribas
- **Tomasz Michalak**, EY Partner, Leader of the ESG Reporting and Assurance Team
- **Krzysztof Surma**, Vice President of the Management Board for Finance, TAURON Polska Energia SA
- **Małgorzata Szafoni**, Deputy President of the Management Board, National Fund for Environmental Protection and Water Management
- **Karolina Żelawska-Palasz**, Senior Banker, European Investment Bank Group in Poland

Moderated by:

- **Wojciech Żurawski**, Journalist, WNP.PL

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Lower Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

ESG: Requirements, Strategy, Results

Reporting on the environmental impact of economic activity in light of current EU legislation. The experience of companies that report on emissions, their environmental impact, and decarbonise their supply chains. The effect of such activity on image, the environment, and the market. ESG versus investment and competitiveness. ESG as a test for companies: consistency with business strategy, building trust, and gaining competitive advantage.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Magdalena Andrejczuk**, Director, Corporate Banking Sustainable Finance Department, mBank SA
- **Agnieszka Maciejowska**, CEO & co-founder, Plan Be Eco
- **Maria Madej**, Market Change Manager, Stowarzyszenie Otwarte Klatki
- **Marcello Palazzi**, Co-founder, B Lab Europe, Global Ambassador of B Corp Movement
- **Irena Pichola**, President of the Management Board, Responsible Business Forum, Chair of the Steering Committee, Chapter Zero Poland
- **Barbara Stępień**, Corporate Affairs and Engagement Director, L'OREAL Polska

Moderated by:

- **Mirella Panek-Owsiańska**, Director for International Affairs of the EEC, PTWP Group

23 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m. – 6.00 p.m. | Lower Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

ESG: opportunities and case studies, and the ESG Eagles Awards Gala

Opportunities for business arising from ESG implementation: financial benefits, potential innovations, and a distinguishing feature in building a consistent image. Conditions for understanding the real need for reporting and the role of ESG in a company's strategy. Examples from Polish and European companies as a potential model for the world. Specific case studies from various industries and lessons to be applied in Polish and international organisations.

Conversation 1:1 (10')

- **Marcello Palazzi**, Co-founder, B Lab Europe, Global Ambassador of B Corp Movement
- **Mirella Panek-Owsiańska**, Director for International Affairs of the EEC, PTWP Group

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- **Kamil Wyszowski**, Executive Director, Country Representative, UN Global Compact Network Poland
- **Mirella Panek-Owsiańska**, Director for International Affairs of the EEC, PTWP Group

ESG Eagles Awards Gala

ESG Eagles Awards Winners Debate.

- **Barbara Kopeć**, Management Board Plenipotentiary for Project Management and ESG, Diagnostyka SA
- **Adam Sanocki**, Chief Strategy and Marketing Officer, Polskie Lotnicze SA
- **Łukasz Szelecki**, Corporate Affairs & Communications Manager, JTI Polska
- **Katarzyna Teter**, ESG Manager, Respect Energy Holding

Moderated by:

- **Marcin Piasecki**, Managing Editor, Rzeczpospolita

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Conference Room 25

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Green Economy

Transition to low-emission economy as a driver for economic growth and an opportunity to develop new industries. What sectors could become the pillars of a new economy? In what way can public policies and financing (EU funds, private investment) stimulate innovation and create jobs in green industries?

Speech(15'):

- **Paulina Hennig-Kloska**, Minister for Climate and Environment, Poland

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Sonia Buchholtz**, Director of Fundraising Strategy, Head of the Economy and Climate Program, Institute of Green Economy
- **Jadwiga Emilewicz**, Minister of Entrepreneurship and Technology and Minister of Development, Poland (2018–2020); Deputy Prime Minister of Poland (2020); Government Plenipotentiary for Polish-Ukrainian Development Cooperation (2023)
- **Michał Kurtyka**, Minister of Climate and Environment 2019-2021, Poland
- **Michał Purol**, CSO, Centrum UNEP/GRID
- **Grzegorz Rabsztyn**, Head, European Investment Bank Warsaw Office
- **Aleksandra Stępnia**, Public Affairs Manager, VELUX Polska
- **Tomasz Szamocki**, Member of the Management Board for Operations, Enea Nowa Energia

Moderated by:

- **Tomasz Pietryga**, Editor-in-Chief, Dziennik Gazeta Prawna

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m. | Green Planet 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Circular Economy

The assumptions of circular economy relative to business models and cases of implementation – insights from actions to date. The increasing prices of raw materials and their scarcity as an impulse for recycling and resource efficiency. In what way can enterprises transition from linear to circular production, without damaging their competitiveness? Technological, legal, administrative, and mental barriers in transitioning to the circular economy.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Rafał Bonter**, General Director, Ergis Group
- **Kinga Flis**, Environmental Protection Director, LipCo Foods Group
- **Daria Frączak**, Director, Łukasiewicz Research Network – Institute for Renewable Resources Chemistry
- **Krzysztof Galos**, Undersecretary of State, Chief National Geologist, Ministry of Climate and Environment
- **Marta Krawczyk**, Business Assurance, Sustainability Manager, SGS Polska
- **Kamil Majerczak**, CEO, PreZero Poland

Moderated by:

- **Adam Pantak**, Journalist, WNP Economic Trends

24 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Conference Room 6

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Packaging Waste Management

New legislation, local policies, investment and technologies in communal waste management. The deposit-refund system, packaging waste, circular economy, extended producer responsibility. Increasing costs, debatable effectiveness. Pursuing EU recycling targets and reducing landfilling. The investment needed in recycling and sorting infrastructure. Models of effective cooperation between municipal waste management companies and the private sector.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Andrzej Gantner**, Vice-President of the Management Board, General Director, Polish Federation of Food Manufacturers Employers' Association
- **Barbara Groele**, General Secretary, Polish Association of Juice Producers
- **Gabriela Lenartowicz**, Member of the Polish Parliament, Deputy Chair of the Parliamentary Environment Protection, Natural Resources and Forestry Committee
- **Jakub Ogórek**, President of the Management Board, Polski System Kaucyjny
- **Tomasz Suligowski**, President of the Management Board, OK Operator Kaucyjny SA
- **Marta Ślubowska**, Director of the Legal Department, LipCo Foods Group
- **Anna Wójcik-Przybył**, Director, Waste Management Department, Kaucja.pl - Krajowy System Kaucyjny SA

Moderated by:

- **Paulina Piwowarek**, Editor-in-Chief, portalspozywczy.pl

24 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Ballroom A

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Waste and Energy

Waste as a resource and source of affordable renewable energy. Its use in industry and potential application in district heating. The development of waste incineration infrastructure – the current and targeted capability. Using municipal waste to generate heat and power in relation to principles of the circular economy. Competition for recycling or a rational element of balancing?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Paweł Augustyn**, Deputy President of the Management Board, National Fund for Environmental Protection and Water Management
- **Jakub Bator**, Member of the Management Board, Association of Waste to Energy Producers
- **Katarzyna Błachowicz**, Director, Waste Business Line, Veolia
- **Adrian Studniczek**, Member of the Management Board, PreZero Zielona Energia
- **Ewa Zembalowska**, President of the Management Board, MASTER – Odpady i Energia Sp. z o.o.

Moderated by:

- **Piotr Toborek**, Journalist, PortalSamorządowy.pl

24 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Ballroom B

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Just Transition

Closing coal mines and coal-fired power stations – a social and economic challenge for regions. How to effectively manage the transition so that it creates jobs and provides alternative sources of income? The role of EU funds, local government, and local initiatives. Examples of actions so far and their first results. Programmes and plans.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Katarzyna Kuczyńska-Budka**, Mayor of Gliwice
- **Patryk Marjan**, Mayor of Bełchatów
- **Piotr Masłowski**, Senator of the Republic of Poland, Expert in Regional Development
- **Ryszard Pawlik**, Head of Brussels Office, Polish Electricity Association
- **Małgorzata Staś**, Director, Department of Regional Development and Transformation, Marshal's Office of the Silesian Voivodeship
- **Jarosław Wieszołek**, President of the Management Board, Spółka Restrukturyzacji Kopalń

Moderated by:

- **Marcin Zasada**, Editor-in-Chief, Dziennik Zachodni

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Green Planet 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Water as a Strategic Resource

Structural drought, water scarcity – a growing problem. How to satisfy the needs of industry, agriculture, and households? Water retention and conservation – are we acting systematically? Technologies and investment that can reduce hydrological threats in the nearest decades.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Kamil Jawgiel**, Leader, 'Hydroni' Warta Water Foundation

- **Leszek Książek**, Dean, Faculty of Environmental Engineering and Geodesy, University of Agriculture in Krakow
- **Kamil Kulesza**, Advisor, Communication & Public Affairs Expert, WWF Poland Foundation
- **Rafał Wróblewski**, Member of the Management Board, Nestlé Waters
- **Magdalena Sobieraj**, Deputy Director, Water Management Department, Ministry of Infrastructure, Poland
- **Mariusz Sowiński**, President of the Management Board, Miejskie Przedsiębiorstwo Wodociągów i Kanalizacji w Łasku

Moderated by:

- **Kalina Olejniczak**, Editor, PortalSamorządowy.pl, WNP.PL

24 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Green Planet 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Adaptation to Climate Change

So far, energy transition has aimed at reducing emissions; however, we have started to experience the consequences of climate change. How can states, regions, and cities adapt? How to combine preventive measures with investments in infrastructure? Adaptation as an investment in social and economic security.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Rafał Adamczyk**, Member of the Board of the Silesian Voivodeship
- **Mikołaj Dorożala**, Undersecretary of State, Chief Conservator of Nature, Ministry of Climate and Environment, Poland
- **Paweł Jaworski**, Director, Department of Strategy and Climate Resilience, Ministry of Climate and Environment
- **Robert Pabian**, Director of the Regional Directorate, State Forests in Katowice
- **Barbara Skuła-Dąbek**, Director, Strategic Partnerships Department, WWF Poland Foundation
- **Mariusz Słaboń**, Vice President of the management Board, Katowickie Inwestycje SA
- **Igor Śmietański**, Vice-Chairman of the Management Board, Metropolis GZM (Upper Silesian-Zagłębie Metropolis)
- **Urszula Zielińska**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Climate and Environment

Moderated by:

- **Kalina Olejniczak**, Editor, PortalSamorządowy.pl, WNP.PL

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Conference Room 3

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The deposit-refund system

How does the deposit-return system work and what needs to be done for it to be fully effective? Universality, simplicity, lack of exclusions. Who's the payer, who's the earner – the cost of implementation for producers, retailers, and local government. The development of a logistics network, a management system, operators' activities. The deposit-refund system vs. extended producer responsibility – the complementarity of both solutions. Consumer education and social aspects. Polish challenges and examples of good practice from Ireland, Germany, Scandinavia, and Benelux.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Agata Juzyk**, President of the Management Board, Reselekt
- **Anna Kozłowska**, Chief Financial Officer, Member of the management Board, Polski System Kaucyjny
- **Dariusz Lizak**, President, National Chamber of Commerce Bottling Industry
- **Piotr Okurowski**, President of the Management Board, Kaucja.pl – Krajowy System Kaucyjny SA
- **Maciej Ptaszyński**, President of the Management Board, Polish Chamber Of Trade
- **Jan Sałata**, General Director, PSH Nasz Sklep SA
- **Anita Sowińska**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Climate and Environment, Poland

Moderated by:

- **Iłona Mrozowska**, Editor, portalspozywczy.pl

TRACK: SECURITY AND DEFENCE

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m. | Multifunctional Room 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The Defence Industry

From purchasing military equipment to developing its own military technologies, Poland is currently investing a lot in increasing its military capability. In the process, it faces a few critical challenges: the pace of modernisation, capital management, integration with the global supply chain, and strengthening its domestic manufacturing base.

The modernisation and development of Poland's defence capability as a force driving the development of its industry and economy. Domestic and EU funding. The consistency of Poland's activity with the new defence policy of the EU. European cooperation for increasing military potential.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Arkadiusz Bąk**, First Vice President of the Management Board, Polska Grupa Zbrojeniowa SA
- **Konrad Gołota**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of State Assets, Poland
- **Krzysztof Krystowski**, Country Executive Poland, Northrop Grumman
- **Marcin Kubicza**, Director, Department of Strategic Projects, Ministry of State Assets, Poland
- **Michał Popiołek**, Managing Director of Global and Investment Banking, mBank SA
- **Steve Shepro**, Vice President, Integrated Customer Solutions, Pratt & Whitney
- **Magdalena Sobkowiak-Czarnecka**, Government Plenipotentiary for the European Security Instrument

Moderated by:

- **Marcin Piasecki**, Managing Editor, Rzeczpospolita

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Multifunctional Room 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Europe's defence industry

Europe's strategic autonomy in terms of defence manufacturing – an achievable goal or a far-fetched idea? Fragmentation and a steel shortage – structural weaknesses of Europe's industrial base. In what fields are we self-sufficient and for what do we rely on imports from outside the EU? Ammunition, electronics, rare-earth elements are the key bottlenecks. Consolidation and cooperation: armament programmes, standardisation, procurement. The role of Poland and Central Europe in the European chain of defence capabilities. Dual use technologies: how to utilize the potential of the civic sector in defence? How to shorten the cycles and improve flexibility? Financing the development of production capacities – SAFE, EBI, domestic budgets. Lessons learned from Ukraine: what do we know about the needs of modern warfare?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Alexander Burger**, Business Development Manager, Destinus Group
- **Wojciech Grzonka**, President of the Management Board, CZECHOSLOVAK GROUP Poland, Vice President Sales, CZECHOSLOVAK GROUP
- **Adam Leszkiewicz**, President of the Management Board, Polska Grupa Zbrojeniowa SA
- **Jacek Siewiera**, LtCol (Res.) of the Polish Armed Forces, Expert, Atlantic Council, Head of the National Security Bureau of Poland 2022-2025
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- **Agnieszka Wolska**, Vice President of the Management Board, ING Bank Śląski SA

Moderated by:

- **Bogusław Chrabota**, Rzeczpospolita, Vice President, Polish Chamber of Press Publishers, Vice President, European Newspapers Publishers Association

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Ballroom C

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The Role of the Private Sector as a Supplier of Materiel

More often than ever, private companies are expanding into defence, but they still face considerable obstacles in doing business in this industry – from certification to access to strategic projects. Using the potential of “dual use” – the industry's flexibility and ability to foster innovation. Conditions that the private sector must meet before it becomes a state's partner in developing defence capability.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Arkadiusz Bąk**, First Vice President of the Management Board, Polska Grupa Zbrojeniowa
- **Wojciech Dąbrowski**, President of the Management Board, Polski Holdingu Rozwoju
- **Krzysztof Kluzza**, partner, senior advisor, CRIDO
- **Przemysław Kowalczyk**, President of the Management Board, Grupa Niewiadów SA
- **Artur Kucia**, Director, Strategic Client Department Mining & Heavy Industry, PKO Bank Polski
- **Daniel Ładno**, Aerospace & Defence Country Executive, Dassault Systèmes
- **Marek Warzecha**, President of the Management Board, Ponar Wadowice SA

Moderated by:

- **Karolina Modzelewska**, Managing Editor, Portal Obrony

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Ballroom C

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Economy on Standby

In times of geopolitical tension and hybrid threats, it is the army, the economy, and infrastructure that must be ready to deal with a crisis. This requires cooperation between the public and private sectors, digital logistics, actions aimed at ensuring security, resilience to attacks on power grids and transport networks, access to

resources and the supply of raw materials. How to integrate industry, logistics and civilian infrastructure with the defence system so that the state is more resilient?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Halina Bieda**, Senator of the Republic of Poland
- **Mieczysław Bieniek**, Deputy NATO Strategic Commander 2010-2013, retired general of the Polish Army
- **Bartłomiej Dobosz**, Co-owner, SKB Group
- **Marcin Gołębiowski**, CEO, Unihouse SA
- **Andrzej Hawryluk**, Deputy Chairman, Government Strategic Reserve Agency
- **Zbigniew Liptak**, EY Partner, Leader of the Regulatory Advisory Team and Defense Team, EY Poland
- **Jakub Sefaniak**, Secretary of State, Deputy Head of the Chancellery of the Prime Minister

Moderated by:

- **Bogusław Chrobot**, Rzeczpospolita, Vice President, Polish Chamber of Press Publishers, Vice President, European Newspapers Publishers Association

22 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m - 6.00 p.m. | Conference Room 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

War and Technologies

New dimensions of a contemporary conflict: cyberspace, Earth's orbit, unmanned and autonomous systems. Drones and anti-drone systems, satellite observation, and the digital battlefield are critical deterrents. The role of qualified staff, digital competencies and international cooperation. The experience of the war in Ukraine and its use in the future. Plans for joint European action – the drone wall, drone-defence efforts of the Baltic states. Can Poland, as a country in the war's rear, build its own defence-innovation ecosystem?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Rafał Dańko**, Vice-Rector for Student Affairs, AGH University of Krakow
- **Marek Gzik**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Science and Higher Education, Poland
- **Stanisław Kastory**, Managing Partner, Expeditions Fund
- **Krzysztof Krystowski**, Country Executive Poland, Northrop Grumman
- **Philippe Lavigne**, Retired General, Chief of Staff, French Air and Space Force and Supreme Allied Commander, NATO Transformation Headquarter, Senior Advisor, BCG
- **Jerzy Małachowski**, Director, National Centre for Research and Development
- **Maciej Siudak**, Brigadier General, Expert, Polska Izba Dual Use
- **Piotr Zawieja**, Vice President of the Management Board, Polska Grupa Zbrojeniowa SA

Moderated by:

- **Michał Żakowski**, Radio 357

22 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m - 6.00 p.m. | Multifunctional Room 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

SAFE – European safety and development

A new instrument of financing European safety – the assumed effects of SAFE. Its largest beneficiaries in Europe and prioritized areas: defence industry, cyber security, counter drone systems, border protection, infrastructure, innovation in defence. What is there for Poland: scope, scale, distribution. The current (i.e. no legal framework) conditions of using SAFE to pursue the goals accepted by the EU. Institutions and mechanisms that are critical in Poland, and their coordination. Opportunities for the economy and safety provided by international cooperation between participants of SAFE: transfer of technologies, stimulus for export, joint procurement. How to use the funds allocated within the programme in a broad and long-term perspective, i.e. to increase Poland's competitive advantage and improve its economic standing?

Speech:

- **Magdalena Sobkowiak-Czarnecka**, Government Plenipotentiary for the European Security Instrument

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Jan Grabowski**, Vice President of the Management Board, Polska Grupa Zbrojeniowa SA
- **Andrzej Grzyb**, Member of the Polish Parliament, Chairman of the Parliamentary National Defence Committee
- **Marek Kamiński**, partner, EY Poland
- **Marta Postuła**, First Vice-President of the Management Board, Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego
- **Magdalena Sobkowiak-Czarnecka**, Government Plenipotentiary for the European Security Instrument
- **Magdalena Trzpił-Halota**, Director, Department of Foreign Funds, Ministry of National Defence, Poland

Moderated by:

- **Marek Świerczyński**, Head of Security and International Affairs, Polityka Insight

22 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m - 6.00 p.m. | Green Planet 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Cyber Threats – Administration under Pressure

More often than ever, state administration has become the target of digital attacks that might paralyse public services. Its vulnerabilities stem from inefficient cybersecurity funding, a shortage of qualified staff, complex procedures, and fragmented systems. Cooperation with the private sector and international partners has become critical, but coordination is sometimes lacking. How can we ensure data security and service continuity in the face of increasingly sophisticated cyber threats?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Piotr Ciepiela**, EY Partner, EMEA Cybersecurity Leader, Global Leader in Security Architecture and Emerging Technologies, EY
- **Paweł Doniec**, Colonel, Deputy Commander of the Cyber Defence Forces Component
- **Krzysztof Malesa**, National Security Officer, Microsoft
- **Radosław Nielek**, Director, NASK
- **Paweł Nogowicz**, President of the Management Board, Evercom
- **Dariusz Piotrowski**, VP, Managing Director, Dell Technologies Poland
- **Tomasz Stachlewski**, Chief Technology Officer, Comarch SA
- **Sławomir Wasilewski**, Member of the Management Board supervising the System Operation and Maintenance Division, Social Insurance Institution
- **Łukasz Wojewoda**, Director, Department of Cybersecurity, Ministry of Digital Affairs, Poland

Moderated by:

- **Nikola Bochyńska**, Journalist, WNP.pl

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Conference Room 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Cyber Threats – critical infrastructure

The growing scale of cyber attacks and threats to critical infrastructure (power grids, transport, telecommunication, or financial networks) that could paralyse the economy and compromise public safety. Connectivity and information as key infrastructural resources in a time of war and crisis. A lack of standards, gaps in data protection, insufficient emergency procedures. The need for consistent investment strategies, integrated legislation, and strengthened technological sovereignty. Systemic administrative measures, public-private cooperation, and threat monitoring. How to create more resilient infrastructure as well as digital and payment safety that serves the trust of users and citizens in a volatile reality?

Speech:

- **Krzysztof Gawkowski**, Deputy Prime Minister of Poland, Minister of Digital Affairs, Government Plenipotentiary for Cyber Security

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Andrzej Cieślak**, President of the Management Board, Dynacon
- **Krzysztof Dąbrowski**, Managing Director of the Security Division, Polish Financial Supervision Authority
- **Krzysztof Drozdowski**, Member of the Management Board, Director for Digital Transformation, PKP Polskie Linie Kolejowe
- **Agnieszka Okońska**, Vice President, Polskie Sieci Elektroenergetyczne SA
- **Bartłomiej Pejo**, Member of the Polish Parliament, Chair of the Parliamentary Committee on digitization, innovation and modern technologies
- **Witold Skomra**, Advisor, Critical Infrastructure Protection Department, Government Centre for Security
- **Marcin Wysocki**, Deputy Director, Department of Cybersecurity, Ministry of Digital Affairs, Poland
- **Michał Ziółkowski**, CTO, Member of the Management Board, PLAY

Moderated by:

- **Ełżbieta Rutkowska**, Journalist, WNP.pl

TRACK: DIGITALISATION, TECHNOLOGIES, HUMAN

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Lower Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The State in the Age of Technology

Digital strategies of the Polish government (Digital Poland 2030, AI for Growth) shaping the framework of innovation, investment, and security. The state as the architect of an ecosystem where technology supports growth without overshadowing the human element. Cooperation with business and science, investments in digital infrastructure, competencies of the future, legislation regulating AI and cybersecurity. How can privacy be protected, security ensured and social values upheld given the rapid pace of technological advancement?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Małgorzata Domagała**, Head of Products and Solutions, Poland, Czechia and Slovakia, Mastercard Europe
- **Maciej Pilipczuk**, President of the Management Board, Emitel

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- **Rafał Rosiński**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Digitalisation, Poland
- **Adam Sawicki**, GSV Digital TVN
- **Victor Shmeruk**, Senior Analyst, Google
- **Michał Ziółkowski**, CTO, Member of the Management Board, PLAY

Moderated by:

- **Jacek Borek**, Managing Director, Accenture Technology Poland

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m. | Spodek Stage 1

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This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Artificial Intelligence – A New Revolution

AI is transforming everyday life, work, communication, and human relationships. It has ushered in a new order in the economy, the law, the media, and education. Where are we going? Who determines the path of AI evolution – the state, big tech companies, or scientists? Global and European legislation on generative AI. How can legislation minimise risk while preserving the potential for growth?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Łukasz Bolikowski**, Chief AI Officer, Comarch SA
- **Krzysztof Gerlach**, Managing Director for Corporate Clients and Corporate Banking Development, mBank
- **Katrin Gülden Le Maire**, strategic advisor, researcher of ethics in AI
- **Jan Kozak**, Director, Łukasiewicz – AI
- **Bartosz Pacuszka**, EY Partner, Leader of the AI Technology Team, EY Poland
- **Dariusz Standerski**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Digital Affairs, Poland
- **Jakub Turowski**, Public Policy Director, Central and Eastern Europe, Meta

Moderated by:

- **Elżbieta Rutkowska**, Journalist, WNP.pl

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Conference Room 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Digitalising Industry

From automation and robotisation, through Industry 4.0, to Industry 5.0. The gap between digital leaders and SMEs. Key technological trends shaping the future of modern industrial production: their impact on economic efficiency, management, safety, and resilience. The motivation of investors, experience from cases of implementation, barriers, problems, evaluation, and new plans. Artificial intelligence in industrial practice: serious threats and a multitude of applications. Transferring resources to a virtual world – digital twins.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Ireneusz Borowski**, Country Manager Poland, Dassault Systèmes
- **Dariusz Jasak**, President of the Management Board, SEEN Technologie
- **Johan Roos**, Professor, Senior Advisor, Peter Drucker Society Europe, Executive Advisor, Professor, Hult International Business School
- **Nadia Rybczyńska**, Public Affairs and Communications Manager, Association of Automotive Parts Distributors and Manufacturers
- **Robert Stobiński**, President of the Management Board, Amica Group
- **Piotr Szkoda**, Head of Business Energy Industry, ABB Poland
- **Dorota Zaremba**, Partner, Head of SAP, KPMG Poland
- **Piotr W. Zawadzki**, expert, Strategic Management Department, National Centre for Research and Development

Moderated by:

- **Piotr Myszor**, Journalist, WNP.PL

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Spodek Stage 2

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This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Economy of data and security

Data – the new fuel and currency. Big data as a foundation of business models, chains of value, and customer experience. The acquisition, collection, structuring, and utilisation of data: their significance for a modern economy. Data quality as a key factor in the effectiveness of AI. Access to data and their protection are key prerequisites of digital resilience of businesses. Technological sovereignty in the context of data - how to control data storage and data use.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Michał Gramatyka**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Digital Affairs, Poland
- **Sebastian Kondracki**, Chief Innovation Officer, Deviniti, Founder, SpeakLeash, Co-creator, Bielik.AI, Member of the Future Council

- **Anna Korc**, CEO & Co-founder, Digital Techies
 - **Szymon Łukasik**, director of AI Safety Research Center (Poland), NASK
 - **Maciej Ogórkiewicz**, Vice President of the Management Board, ING Bank Śląski SA
 - **Olaf Osica**, Director, Strategy&Analysis Office, City of Warsaw
 - **Mirosław Wróblewski**, President, Personal Data Protection Office
 - **Marek Zamłyński**, Head of Data Analytics & AI, CEE & CIS, Google Cloud
- Moderated by:
- **Bartłomiej Godusławski**, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Business Insider Polska

22 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m - 6.00 p.m. | Conference Room 25

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Technologies, Humans, Balance

Humans at the centre of the digital revolution: opportunities and risks. Automation, artificial intelligence and hybrid work are transforming work and society. Adaptability, mental resilience, work-life balance, and lifelong learning. Digital competencies have become a new currency, while cooperation between people and machines is now an everyday reality. Can people maintain their autonomy, agency, and well-being in a world of turbocharged digitalisation?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Miłosz Bembinow**, composer, conductor, educator, President, Society of Authors ZAiKS
- **Dominika Bettman**, former Director General of Microsoft in Poland and CEO of Siemens Sp. z o.o., Member of the Supervisory Board of Santander Bank Polska and KRUK S.A., Chairman of the University Council, Warsaw School of Economics
- **Michał Boni**, Department of Social Applications of New Technologies, SWPS University
- **Michał Kanownik**, President of the Management Board, Digital Poland Association
- **Grzegorz Mazurek**, Rector, Kozminski University
- **Jowita Michalska**, CEO, Digital University, Chapter Ambassador, Singularity University
- **Ignacy Świącicki**, Head of Digital Economy Team, Polish Economic Institute

Moderated by:

- **Jarosław Juszkiewicz**, Journalist, Radio357

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Lower Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Artificial Intelligence in practice

Using AI-based tools in business practice across industries. An overview of implementations across use cases. Effects: optimisation of business processes, quality of the product, occupational safety, efficient management. The quality of data, inclusion in a company's structure and other conditions of effective implementation. AI agent, assistant, genAI: models of effective cooperation between employees, managers and AI tools. Staff and new competencies. Automation and support of decision-making.

Presentation (10')

- **Magdalena Hyczko**, Google Cloud Customer Engineer, Google Poland

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Joanna Jaworek-Korjakowska**, Director, Artificial Intelligence Center of Excellence, AGH University of Krakow
- **Bartłomiej Kopadcz**, Head of Clinical Operations Poland & CEE, GSK
- **Marcin Krasuski**, Head of CEE Government Affairs and Public Policy, Google
- **Dawid Osiecki**, Managing Director, Data & AI Practice, Accenture in Poland
- **Wojciech Stramski**, President of the Management Board, Beyond.pl
- **Aleksandra Tomaszewska**, Director, Department of Research and Innovation, Ministry of Digital Affairs
- **Alicja Żyła**, Vice President of the Management Board, ING Bank Śląski SA

Moderated by:

- **Michał Duszczyk**, Economic Journalist, Rzeczpospolita

22 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m - 6.00 p.m. | Conference Room 23

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Infrastructure for digitalisation – AI factories

Creating strategic computing power resources in the face of growing demand for AI. AI factories – a new ecosystem of data and computing power, an impulse for innovation, a competitive advantage in an era of AI, a means to stability and data security. To whom, and on what conditions, should we entrust our data in the cloud? Investment in digital infrastructure as a critical component in technological sovereignty and security. Examples of investment in GPU infrastructure – the role of the private sector and international cooperation. The role of critical digital infrastructure in digital transition. Energy and economic efficiency – how to strike a balance between data-centre development, environmental protection, and operational costs?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Mikołaj Budzanowski**, CEO, InnoEnergy Central Europe
- **Michał Goszczyński**, Director, Department of International Cooperation, Ministry of Science and Higher Education
- **Virginia Leszczyńska**, COO, DL Invest Group
- **Marek Magryś**, Director, Academic Computer Centre Cyfronet AGH
- **Michał Pieprzny**, Partner, Consulting Market Leader for Poland, Deloitte
- **Wojciech Stramski**, President of the Management Board, Beyond.pl
- **Krzysztof Szubert**, Plenipotentiary of the Director for Commercialization and International Cooperation, National Institute of Telecommunications, Senior Associate Member, Centre of Excellence in Cyber Security, Oxford University
- **Michał Ziółkowski**, CTO, Member of the Management Board, PLAY

Moderated by:

- **Anna Wittenberg**, Journalist, Zero.pl

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Spodek Stage 2

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This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The telecommunications market in Poland and Europe

Leading trends defining the future of the telecommunications industry. Investments – in 5G, fibre optic, cloud services – in the face of growing demands related to data management and AI development. Challenges posed by cyber threats and the security of infrastructure. Surrounding of the sector: support for innovation, legislative barriers to growth, dialogue between business and legislators.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Michał Gramatyka**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Digital Affairs, Poland
- **Michał Kobosko**, Member of the European Parliament
- **Przemysław Kuna**, President, Office of Electronic Communications
- **Jan Pilewski**, Public Affairs Director, PLAY
- **Maciej Pilipczuk**, President of the Management Board, Emitel
- **Aleksander Piniński**, Managing Director of Investment Banking, UniCredit Poland
- **Anna Strężyńska**, Director, National Institute of Telecommunications

Moderated by:

- **Karol Tokarczyk**, Economic Analyst, Polityka Insight

22 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m - 5.30 p.m. | Conference Room 4

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Digital tax

Opportunities of various players on the market of digital advertisement. The need for consistent rules and requirements so that all digital entities could develop (including the media who lose the most due to a lack of regulation). Taxes paid by tech giants in the EU. The areas of activity that will be subject to taxation in Poland. A response of the industry and the market; pressure and lobbying. Expected proceeds and the aims of imposing the tax on global giants. Support for the development of technologies, innovation, and quality media content.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Jarosław Kopeć**, Head of Data & Intelligence, Instrat Foundation
- **Maciej Kossowski**, President of the Management Board, Digital Publishers Employers' Association
- **Jan Oleszczuk-Zygmuntowski**, Co-President, Polish Economics Network
- **Dariusz Standerski**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Digital Affairs, Poland
- **Karolina Sznajder**, Chief Corporate Affairs Officer, RASP

Moderated by:

- **Jan Jęcz**, Digital Economy Analyst, Polityka Insight

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Conference Room 4

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

3.00 p.m. - 3.30 p.m.

Quantum Tech: from research to application

Dynamic development of quantum technologies and their advantage over "classic" digital solutions. New possibilities in computation, cryptography, and sensors; in medicine, chemistry, logistics, and finance. A lack of standards and legislation – potential security risk? High costs of investment and the need for advanced competencies reduce access and the pace of implementation. How to utilize the potential of quantum technologies in the nearest future? National and European strategies.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Anna Kamińska**, President of the Management Board, Creotech Quantum SA

- **Michał Parniak-Niedojadło**, Head of Quantum Optical Devices Lab, Centre for Quantum Optical Technologies, Centre of New Technologies, University of Warsaw
- **Kamil Wereszczyński**, Department of Computer Graphics, Vision and Digital Systems, Faculty of Automatics, Electronics and Computer Science, Silesian University of Technology

Moderated by:

- **Nikola Bochyńska**, Journalist, WNP.pl

3.30 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Studio XR TVN: Technologies, interactions, business

Technological development towards intuitive interactions between humans and the digital world, users and content. Innovative tools – XR, AI and wearables, text-to-speech – broaden the cognitive spectrum, change the quality of relationships and experiences, and create new branches of business (gaming, streaming, media). Can Poland be a hub of innovation in the creative industries and an exporter of technology?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Wiktoria Przeorski**, Development Director, TVN Warner Bros. Discovery

Moderated by:

- **Nikola Bochyńska**, Journalist, WNP.pl

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Ballroom A

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Digital economy: trends and investments

Technologies and trends that influence digital transition. Prospects for a national economy – technologies that utilize data, artificial intelligence, robotisation, blockchain. The domains occupied by leaders of digital transition: process optimisation, market expansion, innovative products, human resources and competencies. Where to invest? What are the opportunities, what are the risks?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Agnieszka Kubera**, Country Managing Director, Accenture w Polsce
- **Sebastian Kulczyk**, international investor, owner, Kulczyk Investments, Manta Ray vc, Pho3nix Foundation and initiator of mentoring program for startups InCredibles
- **Rafał Ogrodnik**, Member of the Management Board, TVN
- **Mateusz Oleksy**, General Manager, Visa Poland
- **Henrik von Scheel**, Professor of Strategic Management and Economics, strategist, futurist
- **Iwona Szylar**, General Director, Microsoft Poland

Moderated by:

- **Jowita Michalska**, CEO, Digital University, Chapter Ambassador, Singularity University

23 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. | Bingo

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Poland in the AI race

The use of AI-based tools as one of the key areas of global competition. Why are we lagging behind? How can we accelerate? Competencies, intellectual potential, resources. How to exchange AI to real business value? Digital progress and access to good quality data are a prerequisite for Polish companies' advancement in international supply chains. Strategic areas of AI implementation: energy, health, safety, industry. The aim – responsible AI technological sovereignty without isolation. The role of stable institutional framework, investment in competitions and infrastructure.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Jolanta Itrich-Drabarek**, Vice President, Łukasiewicz Center
- **Piotr Mieczkowski**, Managing Director, Digital Poland Foundation
- **Marek Niezgodka**, Director, Centre for Computational Science and Technolog, Silesian University of Technology
- **Tomasz Stachlewski**, Chief Technology Officer, Comarch SA
- **Andrzej Szeptycki**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Science and Higher Education, Poland
- **Aleksandra Tomaszewska**, Director, Department of Research and Innovation, Ministry of Digital Affairs
- **Borys Woś**, Head of Research and Development Department, IDEAS Research Institute

Moderated by:

- **Michał Duszczyk**, Economic Journalist, Rzeczpospolita

TRACK: EXPANSION, EXPORT

22 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m - 6.00 p.m. | Ballroom C

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Foreign expansion: strategies, support, brand

The new strategy of Poland's economic expansion – goals, priorities, models of management. Foreign expansion of Polish businesses in times of turbulent geopolitics and highly regulated trade. Difficulties in gaining competitive advantage on the global market – how to overcome the barriers and mitigate risk? Support of state institutions and economic diplomacy. Building a brand.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Karolina Czekaj**, Member of the Management Board, Director of Corporate Finance and Corporate Governance, Adamed Pharma SA
- **Jarosław Dąbrowski**, Member of the Management Board, Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego
- **Marcin Graczyk**, Management Board Plenipotentiary, Polish Investment and Trade Agency (PAIH)
- **Jakub Nowak**, President of the Management Board, JNT Group
- **Paweł Ossowski**, President of the Management Board, ZARYS International
- **Aleksander Piniński**, Managing Director of Investment Banking, UniCredit Poland
- **Aleksander Siemaszko**, Director, Department for Trade and International Cooperation, Ministry of Economic Development and Technology
- **Marcin Strzelecki**, CCO, LipCo Foods Group, Member of the Management Board, LipCo Foods International, Member of the Management Board, SuperDrob

Moderated by:

- **Ignacy Morawski**, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Puls Biznesu, pb.pl

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Lower Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Polish companies on the global market

Key factors of success in foreign markets. Case studies based on the experience of Polish companies. Preparedness and risk: how to plan expansion? Market knowledge and analysis, experience of the business partner, cultural differences and the significance of soft skills. Adapting products and business models to local requirements: logistics, financing, transaction security, and brand development. Transfer of technologies, mergers and acquisitions.

Conversation 2:1:

- **Tomasz Koczara**, International Business Director, LPP
- **Marek Buczak**, Director, Foreign Expansion Fund Management Department, PFR TFI

Moderated by:

- **Dominika Sikora**, Editor-in-Chief, WNP Economic Trends

Case study:

- **Adam Grabowski**, Vice President, Polmlek Trading, Member of the Supervisory Board, Polmlek Group

Case study:

- **Anna Sobieraj-Kozakiewicz**, Vice President of the Management Board for International Assets, KGHM Polska Miedź SA
- **Dominika Sikora**, Editor-in-Chief, WNP Economic Trends

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Marek Buczak**, Director, Foreign Expansion Fund Management Department, PFR TFI
- **Justyna Dąbrowska**, President of the Management Board, Unipro Sp. z o.o., Brand Owner, Activlab
- **Paweł Dziekoński**, Vice President of the Management Board, FAKRO

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- **Dominika Sikora**, Editor-in-Chief, WNP Economic Trends

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Moderated by:

- **Dominika Sikora**, Editor-in-Chief, WNP Economic Trends

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Conference Room 8

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

International Mergers and Acquisitions

International investments, mergers, and acquisitions by Polish companies – best practice. A recipe for success in the global M&A market. Local conditions, knowledge about the market, relationships, culture. Entry barriers, promising sectors, the strategies and experience of Polish investors that are worth drawing on.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Krzysztof Domarecki**, Founder, main shareholder, Selena Group
- **Jakub Dwernicki**, Founder, President of the management Board, cyber_Folks SA
- **Jan Kolański**, Founder, Chairman of the Management Board, Colian Group
- **Piotr Krupa**, CEO, Kruk Group
- **Jakub Nowak**, President of the Management Board, JNT Group
- **Paweł Roszczyk**, Member of the Management Board, Managing Director, Adamed Pharma SA

Moderated by:

- **Piotr Mietkowski**, Managing Director for Investment Banking CEE, Bank BNP Paribas

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Conference Room 6

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Economic Diplomacy

The new face of economic diplomacy – a tool for pursuing both political and economic aims. Activism, collaboration with the private sector, joint investments, and building the country's brand support international expansion, enable diversification, and strengthen economic security. Among new challenges are trade conflicts, economic pressure, and the management of supply chains.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Michał Baranowski**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Economic Development and Technology, Poland
- **Joanna Makowiecka-Gatza**, President of the Management Board, Employers of Poland
- **Barbara Mróz-Gorgoń**, professor, Wrocław University of Economics and Business, President, Marka Polska Think Tank Foundation, Chair of the Advisory Board, Kotler Impact Poland, Vice Chairman of the Council, Western Chamber of Commerce
- **Magdalena Skarzyńska**, Vice President of the Management Board, Polish Investment and Trade Agency (PAIH)
- **Jakub Sławek**, Ambassador of the Republic of Poland to the United Arab Emirates, Founder, Gulf House, University of Silesia in Katowice
- **Jennifer Tyldesley**, Deputy Head of Mission, British Embassy in Warsaw

Moderated by:

- **Dominika Sikora**, Editor-in-Chief, WNP Economic Trends

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Conference Room 7

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The New Scramble for Africa

Africa as a market of the future – rapid economic growth, demographic structure, and the diversity of economies and markets. Investment barriers: political risk, regulatory instability, infrastructure deficits. The key to success: local partnerships, technology transfer, and skills development. The African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) opens up new trade and investment opportunities. Sustainable development and corporate social responsibility, linking investment with local development as essential elements of a market-entry strategy for Africa.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Szymon Borucki**, President, Polmlek Trading
- **Piotr Kuffel**, Head of International Expansion Office, Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego
- **Anna Leśnodorska**, Deputy Director, Export Support Department, Polish Investment and Trade Agency (PAIH)
- **Magdalena Radecka**, Founder, Organiser, Africa Global Business Connect Summit, Strategic Advisory, Business Consulting for Africa Market Entry
- **Manish Shah**, Executive Chairman, Kingsway Group of Companies
- **Anastase Shyaka**, Ambassador of the Republic of Rwanda to Poland
- **Małgorzata Szymczuk**, Founder, Managing Partner, Quenda Group
- **Jacek Wasilewski**, Founder, Managing Partner, Quenda Group

Moderated by:

- **Jakub Lachert**, Journalist, WNP.pl

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Conference Room 7

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The 'Poland' brand and its ambassadors

Poland's potential and recognition: what remains to be achieved in terms of promoting the country abroad? Mobilizing the Polish community abroad. Persons connected with Poland that are recognized in their countries that could promote Poland abroad. Popular representatives of Polish culture, athletes, business people performing the role of ambassadors. Poland's civilisation development over the last 30 years, the country's ambition and courage, the potential of its economy and the entrepreneurial spirit of its citizens, shared values of the free world: what should be the foundation of Polish brand and how to win support for it?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Joanna Burnos**, Founder, LEADERIS Institute, expert, Team Europe, podcaster of „Departament Kobiet”
- **Robert Korzeniowski**, racewalker, Olympic champion, world champion, European champion, motivational speaker, founder, Robert Korzeniowski Foundation
- **Krzysztof Przybył**, President of the Management Board, Polish Promotional Emblem Foundation
- **Rafał Sonik**, President of the Management Board, Gemini Holding
- **Jola Wąs**, communications strategist, innovation promoter, psychologist
- **Oskar Zięta**, architect, designer, creator, founder, Zieta Prozesdesign,

Moderated by:

- **Marcin Zaborski**, Journalist, Radio Zet

TRACK: INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Conference Room 7

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Forum of international cooperation: Poland-Germany

United in resilience: How can the Polish-German partnership strengthen Europe's economic position?

In the light of global tensions, energy transition, and growing pressure on economic security, the partnership between the two countries can become a key source of stability and growth. The discussion will focus on joint activities in the areas of innovation, industry, supply chains, and green modernization. In the race for a competitive position in global markets, it is this cooperation that may also be the Old Continent's strategic asset.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Michał Baranowski**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Economic Development and Technology, Poland
- **Miguel Berger**, German Ambassador to Poland
- **Katarzyna Byczkowska**, President of the Management Board, BASF, President of the Management Board, Polish-German Chamber of Industry and Commerce
- **Tomasz Kowalski**, President of the Management Board, Deutsche Bank Polska
- **Sebastian Płóciennik**, Director, Member of the Management Board, Foundation for Polish-German Cooperation
- **Rafał Rudziński**, President of the Management Board, Bosch, representative of the Bosch Group in Poland
- **Pia Schall**, General Director, Boehringer Ingelheim
- **Lyndsay Sullivan**, Country Division Head for Central & Eastern Europe, Bayer Pharmaceuticals

Moderated by:

- **Lars Björn Guthel***, General Director, Board Member, Polish-German Chamber of Industry and Commerce

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Conference Room 8

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Forum of international cooperation: Poland-Switzerland

Directions for the development of economic cooperation between Poland and Switzerland in a changing European and global environment. How, through partnership and the exchange of experience, to build competitiveness and create value for both markets. The role of innovation, a responsible approach to ESG, and the implementation of circular economy principles. The resilience of European supply chains in the context of the security of strategic sectors and economic stability.

Opening:

- **Fabrice Filliez**, Ambassador of Switzerland to Poland
- **Ulrich Schwendimann**, Managing Director, Polish-Swiss Chamber of Commerce

Industrial symbiosis – collaboration between companies in the spirit of the circular economy

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Katarzyna Komulainen**, Vice-President of the Management Board, Country Corporate Counsel and Country Privacy Lead, ABB
- **Michał Powroźnik**, Sales Director, Bucher Unipektin
- **Aneta Sacharczuk**, ESG & Sustainability Manager, Sika Poland
- **Mariusz Szwagrzyk**, Marketing Intelligence Manager, Endress+Hauser Polska

The impact of a Swiss multinational on the Polish economy. Social impact. Innovation. Resilience.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Grzegorz Byszewski**, Public Policy and Governmental Affairs Partner, Roche Polska
- **Karolina Demus**, President of the Management Board, Sandoz Polska
- **Victoria Tian**, Country President, Novartis Poland
- **Aleksander Wasilewski**, President of the Management Board, Nestlé Polska

Moderated by:

- **Jakub Lachert**, Journalist, WNP.pl

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Conference Room 24

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Polish-French Economic Forum. Poland-France: industry and competitiveness

Europe's industry is under legislative and geopolitical pressure. What is the impact of the ambitious climate policy on the conditions in which European companies operate? In the meantime, competitors from outside the EU function in less stringent legal systems. How to create a level playing field and prevent the weakening of Europe's industrial base? The overarching principle is maintaining the right balance between transforming the economy and maintaining the competitiveness of European industry. Poland and France have been cooperating to strengthen European supply chains and improve the continent's economic resilience.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Michał Baranowski**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Economic Development and Technology, Poland
- **Yann Barou**, Member of the Management Board, EVP Sales Expansion Markets, Somfy Group
- **Joanna Czysz-Piechowiak**, President of the management Board, Saint-Gobain Poland I and Ukraine
- **Valéry Gaucherand**, President, French-Polish Chamber of Commerce (CCIFP), CEO, L'Oréal Poland and Baltics
- **Adam Jarubas**, Member of the European Parliament, Chairman, Committee on Public Health, European Parliament
- **Tadeusz Nowicki**, Deputy Chairman of the General Council, Confederation Lewiatan
- **Agnieszka Olszewska**, President, Public Procurement Office

Moderated by:

- **Mikołaj Kunica**, Editor-in-Chief, Business Insider

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m. | Conference Room 24

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Polish-French Economic Forum. France-Poland: an alliance for security

The strategic goal of cooperation between France in Poland is improving Europe's security, competitiveness and economic sovereignty. The key sectors are energy transition, digital infrastructure and data centres, industrial cooperation in defence, and creating European security architecture.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Olivier Degand**, Country Leader, Forvis Mazars Poland
- **Valéry Gaucherand**, President, French-Polish Chamber of Commerce (CCIFP), CEO, L'Oréal Poland and Baltics
- **Jan Grabowski**, Vice President of the Management Board, Polska Grupa Zbrojeniowa SA
- **Olivier Jouny**, Senior Vice President Renewables, TotalEnergies
- **Tadeusz Nowicki**, Deputy Chairman of the General Council, Confederation Lewiatan
- **Johan Pelissier**, President of the Europe Region, Airbus
- **Etienne de Poncins**, Ambassador of France to Poland
- **Adam Ponichtera**, Managing Director, Data4 Polska
- **Sophie Sidos**, prezes, Conseillers du Commerce Extérieur de la France

Moderated by:

- **Mikołaj Kunica**, Editor-in-Chief, Business Insider

23 April, 2026 | 13.30 a.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Conference Room 7

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Forum of international cooperation: Poland-Romania

Romania and its place on the economic map of Europe – developments in recent years, directions of growth, similarities with Poland's path of transformation. Romania and Poland as destinations for foreign and mutual investment: conditions, strengths, experiences, potential. Selected issues relevant to conducting business in Romania: transfer pricing, grants and subsidies, tax relief. Differences between Romanian and Polish regulations. Romania's investment market: prospects and forecasts.

Speech(10'):

- **Marcin Bosacki**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Republic of Poland

Speech(10'):

- **Cristina Vasilescu**, Tax Director, KPMG Romania
- The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):
- **Michał Nitka**, Member of the Management Board, Asseco
 - **Krzysztof Pierzchała**, Commercial Director, Żabka International, Żabka Group
 - **Mateusz Rykała**, President of the Management Board, Upper Silesian Fund
 - **Maciej Srebro**, Director, Export Support Department, Polish Investment and Trade Agency (PAIH)
 - **Krzysztof Zamasz**, Honorary Consul of Romania in Katowice, Vice President of the Management Board, Commercial Director, Veolia Group in Poland

Speech (5'):

- **Stefan Porojan**, minister counsellor, Economic and Commercial Promotion Office, Embassy of Romania in the Republic of Poland

Moderated by:

- **Jakub Roszkiewicz**, Partner, Tax Advisory, Transfer Pricing Team, KPMG in Poland

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Green Planet 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Forum of international cooperation: Poland-USA - investment, competitiveness, development

US investments in Poland – latest data, scale and structure. Key sectors of investor activity; their role in the Polish economy, impact on competitiveness, innovation and the labour market. Examples of shaping local business ecosystems and new opportunities for cooperation for Polish companies.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Piotr Arak**, chief economist, VeloBank
- **Michał Baranowski**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Economic Development and Technology, Poland
- **Gretchen Cureton**, Consul General, U.S. Consulate General in Krakow
- **Erik Emilsson**, Director, Global Network Banking, Poland & Ukraine Cluster Head, Citi Handlowy
- **Tomek Marciniak**, Managing Partner, McKinsey & Company Poland
- **Marta Poślad**, Chairwoman of the Board of Directors, American Chamber of Commerce, Director of Transatlantic Relations and Public Policy for Central and Eastern Europe, Google
- **Piotr Skaldawski**, Managing Director, 3M Poland

23 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m. – 6.00 p.m. | Conference Room 7

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Forum of international cooperation: Poland - USA – sustainable food production in practice

Regenerative farming – one of key directions in transforming food systems and responding to climate, environmental and economic challenges. The experience of companies implementing sustainable models of food production on various markets. How can cooperation between the food and farming sector, public institutions and academia support the development of regenerative farming. Challenges posed by the climate policy and the effectiveness of farming and food security. The role global companies operating in Poland play in farming transformation and creating resilient and sustainable food supply chains.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Anna Czerniecka**, Farmer
- **Marzena Ignaczak**, Corporate Affairs Director, Mars Polska
- **Krzysztof Gawęcki**, Vice President of the Management Board, Top Farms
- **Katarzyna Kucisz-Rosłoń**, Sustainability Lead, Impact Team (PL), McDonald's Polska
- **Krzysztof Stankowski**, Agro Purchasing Manager, PepsiCo

Moderated by:

- **Andrzej Gantner**, Vice-President of the Management Board, General Director, Polish Federation of Food Manufacturers Employers' Association

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Conference Room 6

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Forum of international cooperation: Poland-Taiwan

The state and conditions of the relationship between Poland and Taiwan. Taiwan's investment and technological potential. Poland as a European partner for Taiwanese business – our strong and weak sides. A map of possibilities: beaten tracks and new forms of cooperation, promising industries and specialities. Successful Polish-Taiwanese projects – case studies. Barriers, challenges, and cooperation infrastructure. The role of trade offices, export agencies, chambers of commerce, economic missions, trade partnerships.

Conversation 2:1(10')

- **Michał Jaros**, State Secretary, Ministry of Development and Technology, Poland
- **Jeff Y.J Liu**, Ambassador of Taiwan for Poland

Moderated by:

- **Agnieszka Sygitowicz**, President of the Management Board, Polish-Taiwanese Chamber of Industry and Commerce

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Victor Abad**, ING Global Network Sector Coverage Head
- **Micheal Chiu**, Owner, HCG Group
- **Bartłomiej Dobosz**, Co-owner, SKB Group
- **Jennifer Lee**, International Business Development, Formosa Smart Energy, wiceprezes, Formosa SKB Solutions
- **Marek Ostafil**, CEO, Sinotaic, SNN Networks
- **Arkadiusz Tarnowski**, Deputy Director, Investment Support Department, Polish Investment and Trade Agency (PAIH)
- **James Yang**, CEO, MicroIP

Moderated by:

- **Agnieszka Sygitowicz**, President of the Management Board, Polish-Taiwanese Chamber of Industry and Commerce

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m. – 4.00 p.m. | Conference Room 3

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Forum of international cooperation: Poland-Slovakia

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Marián Klas**, Member of the Management Board, TMR-Tatry Mountain Resorts
- **Richard Kvašňovský**, CEO, Slovak Gas and Oil Industry Association
- **Justyna Lipczyńska**, Regional Manager Northern Europe, the Polish Investment and Trade Agency (PAIH)
- **Stanislav Michalička**, President, Association of Logistics and Freight Forwarding of the Slovak Republic
- **Robert Simoncic**, CEO, Slovak Investment and Trade Development Agency
- **Andrej Žiarovský**, Director of Development and International Projects, VUJE

Moderated by:

- **Natalia Rasiewicz**, Journalist, WNP.pl

TRACK: CONSTRUCTION, INFRASTRUCTURE, TRANSPORT

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Ballroom B

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Major Infrastructure Programmes

Large infrastructure projects – their environment and conditions, and their impact on the economy. Coordination, effective financing, and process management under conditions of task accumulation. Local content in contracts, the digitalisation of public administration, simplification of procedures, sustainable design, and the use of Polish expertise in foreign markets. How to fully leverage Poland's strengths and capital while simultaneously shortening the implementation time of major infrastructure projects?

Speech:

- **Dariusz Klimczak**, Minister of Infrastructure

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Marcin Danił**, Member of the Management Board for Commercial and Financial Affairs, Polskie Porty Lotnicze SA
- **Ed Gore**, Senior Vice President & Poland AP1000 Project Director, Bechtel Corporation
- **Artur Popko**, CEO, General Director, Budimex SA
- **Dorota Pyć**, President of the Management Board, Port of Gdansk Authority
- **Marita Szustak**, President of the Management Board, Economic Chamber of Land Transport, President of the Management Board, Track Tec Construction
- **Wojciech Trojanowski**, Member of the Management Board, STRABAG
- **Paweł Woźniak**, Acting General Director for National Roads and Motorways
- **Piotr Wyborski**, President of the Management Board, PKP Polskie Linie Kolejowe SA

Moderated by:

- **Adrian Oldak**, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, WNP.PL

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Conference Room 8

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Road Investments

The expansion of motorways, expressways, and local roads; the modernisation, maintenance, and development of EV charging infrastructure. Challenges: integration with rail and air transport, road safety, minimising environmental impact, investment process efficiency, adapting infrastructure to the needs of the economy and regional transport. National Road Design System (KDP). How to deliver a future-proof road network that supports the economy while protecting the environment?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Witold Bembenek**, Director of Infrastructure Construction, STRABAG
- **Stanisław Bukowiec**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Infrastructure
- **Piotr Kledzik**, President of the Management Board, PORR
- **Maciej Kliś**, Vice President of the Management Board, Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego
- **Tomasz Kwieciński**, Counsellor of the General Directorate for National Roads and Motorways
- **Cezary Łysenko**, Member of the Management Board, Operational Director of Infrastructure and General Construction, Budimex SA
- **Jana Pieriegud**, professor SGH, Department of Infrastructure and Mobility Studies, SGH Warsaw School of Economics
- **Piotr Zieliński**, Roads, Railways and Traffic Engineering, Faculty of Civil Engineering, Cracow University of Technology

Moderated by:

- **Michał Wroński**, Journalist, WNP.PL

22 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m - 6.00 p.m. | Conference Room 24

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Public Investments

Effective use of the budget in public projects. Challenges: coherent public procurement procedures, contractor availability, risk management. Integrated planning at national, regional, and local levels. How to harmonise investment processes across the entire country to increase project efficiency and predictability? Participation of the private sector. Financing after the end of EU funds.

Speech:

- **Katarzyna Pelczyńska-Nałęcz**, Minister of Development Funds and Regional Policy, Poland

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Andrzej Adamczyk**, Member of the Polish Parliament, Minister of Infrastructure, Poland 2018-2023
- **Marcin Michalski**, Member of the Management Board, Centralny Port Komunikacyjny, Port Polska
- **Adam Poliński**, Vice President of the Board, Director of Infrastructure, Unibep SA
- **Artur Rudnicki**, Country Coordinator for Poland, EIB Advisory, European Investment Bank Group in Poland
- **Małgorzata Szczepańska**, Director General, Supreme Audit Office of Poland
- **Marita Szustak**, President of the Management Board, Economic Chamber of Land Transport, President of the Management Board, Track Tec Construction
- **Jan Szyszko**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Funds and Regional Policy, Poland

Moderated by:

- **Konrad Wyrwas**, Director of Development Strategy and Public Affairs, Polish Association of Construction Employers

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m. | Spodek Stage 2

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This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Aviation: infrastructure, market, legislation

The expansion, modernisation, and integration of the network of airports – investments in response to the actual needs. How do critical projects contribute to regional and domestic development? Legislative changes in the sector's supervision and their impact on Poland's aviation industry. Market, competition, purchases by major carriers. Poland on the aviation map of Europe – the multiannual perspective, competitiveness, risk factors.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Magdalena Jaworska-Mačkowiak**, President, Polish Air Navigation Services Agency
- **Michał Kaczmarzyk**, CEO, Buzz (Ryanair Group)
- **Andrzej Kobielski**, Management Board Member, Chief Commercial Officer, Enter Air
- **Dariusz Kuś**, Member of the Management Board, Centralny Port Komunikacyjny, Port Polska
- **Maciej Lasek**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Infrastructure, Poland, Government Plenipotentiary for the CPK
- **Paweł Pałubiński**, General Director, Chairman of the Management Board, Collins Aerospace Wrocław, President, Lower Silesian Aviation Cluster
- **Adam Sanocki**, Member of the Management Board for Strategy and Marketing, Polskie Porty Lotnicze SA

- **Artur Tomasiak**, President of the Management Board, Upper Silesian Aviation Group

Moderated by:

- **Adam Sierak**, Editor, WNP.PL

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Bingo

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Air cargo

The Polish market of air cargo – where are we, where are the opportunities, what change do we need? The development of the national aviation infrastructure and the current geopolitical situation – the impact of these factors on the market of air cargo. The functions of aviation infrastructure in the context of defence and safety – expectations, opportunities, investments, and costs. Investments in logistics infrastructure with air cargo in mind.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Tomasz Buraś**, President of the Management Board, DHL Express Polska
- **Marcin Danił**, Member of the Management Board for Commercial and Financial Affairs, Polskie Porty Lotnicze SA
- **Maciej Lasek**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Infrastructure, Poland, Government Plenipotentiary for the CPK
- **Ołga Palec-Furga**, Chief Operating Officer, 4RCargo
- **Wojciech Ryglewicz**, Director for Central & Eastern Europe, Lufthansa Cargo
- **Artur Tomasiak**, President of the Management Board, Upper Silesian Aviation Group

Moderated by:

- **Adam Sierak**, Editor, WNP.PL

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Gren Planet 4

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Port Polska now

The Port Polska investment programme requires coordination of the transport sector, financing, and integration of aviation, railways and roads. The challenges include: the impact of the investment on the economy, land availability, environmental and social aspects, and connection to European networks. How can we ensure that the new national airport being built as part of the Port Polska programme becomes not only a transport hub but also a driver of economic and regional development?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Lukasz Chaberski**, CEO, Polskie Porty Lotnicze SA
- **Filip Czernicki**, President of the Management Board, Centralny Port Komunikacyjny (2019-2024), Government Plenipotentiary for Centralny Port Komunikacyjny (2017-2019)
- **Maciej Lasek**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Infrastructure, Poland, Government Plenipotentiary for the CPK
- **Artur Popko**, CEO, General Director, Budimex SA
- **Rafał Szmytko**, Member of the Management Board, Polski Holding Hotelowy
- **Mikołaj Wild**, President of the Management Board, Centralny Port Komunikacyjny (2019-2024),
- **Joanna Wolf**, Country Manager, International Air Transport Association (IATA)

Moderated by:

- **Artur Mołęda**, reporter, TVN 24

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Green Planet 4

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Rail 2030++

The development of rail transport: new lines, the modernisation of existing infrastructure, digitalisation, high-speed rail, the development of intermodal transport, and integration with other modes of transport. Challenges include fleet renewal, alternative propulsion systems, and territorial cohesion. Under what conditions can rail become the backbone of a modern, sustainable, and competitive transport network in Poland?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Piotr Laska**, Member of the Management Board, STRABAG
- **Jakub Majewski**, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, PKP Polskie Linie Kolejowe SA
- **Janusz Malinowski**, President of the Management Board, PKP Intercity SA
- **Krzysztof Niemiec**, Vice President of the Management Board, Track Tec SA
- **Paweł Nogowicz**, President of the Management Board, Evercom
- **Piotr Rachwałski**, Member of the Management Board, Centralny Port Komunikacyjny, Port Polska
- **Tomasz Szydło**, President of the Management Board, Budimex Kolejnictwo

Moderated by:

- **Adrian Ołdak**, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, WNP.PL

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Conference Room 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Seaports

Polish ports within the supply networks of the EU and Central and Eastern Europe. Their role in the economy, their position in European logistics and supply chains, competition with Northern European ports, and their importance for economic security. Investments in capacity, terminal modernisation, digitalisation, and integration with road and rail transport. How to strengthen the global role of Polish ports so they become key links in European logistics chains?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Agnieszki Hipś**, President of the Management Board, Clip Group S.A
- **Marcin Mochocki**, Member of the Board, Director for Investment Implementation, PKP Polskie Linie Kolejowe SA
- **Katarzyna Szczucińska**, Acting Director of the Strategy and Development Department, Port of Gdansk Authority
- **Walery Tankiewicz**, Vice President of the Management Board for Infrastructure, Port of Gdynia Authority SA
- **Rafał Zahorski**, Management Representative for Ports Development, Szczecin and Świnoujście Seaports Authority

Moderated by:

- **Maciej Ziomek**, Partner at EY-Parthenon Poland, Transport and Infrastructure Advisory Services Leader, EY Poland

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Conference Room 23

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

PPP in infrastructure

The current role of private-public partnership in strategic infrastructural investments in Poland and Europe – the budgetary conditions. The nature of large infrastructural projects in the PPP model: the sharing of risk, the impact of financing provided by banks, additional reporting and environmental responsibilities, engineering and social challenges. The role of multilateral cooperation – opinion and experience of stakeholders (local government, state treasury companies, municipal companies, banks, central administration, private sector). Conclusions and recommendations.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Turkekul Dogan**, Intrapreneur, Founder, CEO, Gulermak PPP Renewables
- **Robert Dzierzga**, Director, Department of Public-Private Partnership, Ministry of Development Funds and Regional Policy, Poland
- **Andrzej Kaczmarek**, President of the Management Board, Stalexport Autostrada Małopolska SA
- **Grzegorz Kaczorowski**, Director, Economic Development Department, City of Warsaw
- **Anna Łopaciuk**, Director for Transport Infrastructure Investments, Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego
- **Marcin Mochocki**, Member of the Board, Director for Investment Implementation, PKP Polskie Linie Kolejowe SA
- **Maria Wojtacha**, Director, Municipal Department, City of Kraków

Moderated by:

- **Agnieszka Skorupińska**, partner, Head of Sustainability and Energy Transition team, Baker McKenzie

24 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Conference Room 6

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Flood safety

The increasing frequency of extreme weather systems and their impact on the economy, development, and security. The experience of the previous flood – the vulnerabilities of flood protection: inconsistent planning, dispersed competencies, long procedures and a lack of coordination between local and central government. Key areas requiring action and investment: retention ponds and modern infrastructure, early-warning and planning systems. How to integrate the activity of the state, local government, institutions, investors and contractors so that areas and residents under threat are safer and more resilient?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Marian Błachut**, Mayor of Czechowice-Dziedzice
- **Marcin Jarzyński**, Deputy President for Flood and Drought Protection, Państwowe Gospodarstwo Wodne Wody Polskie
- **Tomasz Nowicki**, Mayor of Łądek-Zdrój
- **Robert Węgrzyn**, Member of the Board of the Opole Voivodeship
- **Gabriela Staszkiwicz**, Mayor of Cieszyn
- **Wojciech Ziemiński**, President of the Management Board, Sika Poland
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Moderated by:

- **Kalina Olejniczak**, Editor, PortalSamorządowy.pl, WNP.PL

TRACK: REAL ESTATE. HOUSING

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Ballroom A

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The Housing Market

The Polish housing market: more supply, slower sales, high prices, low affordability. State housing policy – its effectiveness in the short and longer term. Regulation and the market: the Developers Act, disclosure obligations, the simplification of procedures. Developers' adaptive business models. Housing as an investment. Alternative forms – institutional rental (PRS). Loan availability and cost, the impact of special programmes on the market. The real estate sector as an element of the economy and local policy.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Jarosław Bator**, President of the Management Board, NDI Development
- **Elżbieta Chmiel**, Member of the Management Board, PFR Nieruchomości SA
- **Adam Czerniak**, Vice President, National Property Stock
- **Zbigniew Juroszek**, President, Atal SA
- **Anna Kicińska**, Partner at EY Parthenon, Leader of the Real Estate Advisory Group, EY Poland
- **Wojciech Matysiak**, Director, Real Estate Analysis Office, PKO Bank Polski
- **Monika Sikora**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Funds and Regional Policy, Poland

Moderacja:

- **Grażyna Kuryłto**, Editor, PropertyNews.pl

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Spodek Stage 1

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This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Commercial Real Estate – Market Transformation

The market for offices, shopping centres, and warehouses under pressure from demographic change, digitalisation, and flexible work models. Challenges include adapting space to the needs of hybrid work, location attractiveness, cost optimisation, and sustainable development. Financing and investment partnerships. How to make commercial real estate flexible, innovative, and resilient to market change?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Daniel Bienias**, Managing Director, CBRE, CEE
- **Marcin Fabianowicz**, Development Director, CLIP Group SA
- **Tomasz Górski**, Regional Asset Manager Poland, Hungary NEPI Rockcastle, Member of the management Board, Polish Council of Shopping Centers
- **Dominik Leszczyński**, CEO, Founder, DL Invest Group
- **Rafał Sonik**, President of the Management Board, Gemini Holding
- **Andrzej Wroński**, CEO, 7R

Moderated by:

- **Małgorzata Burzec-Lewandowska**, Publishing Director - Real Estate, Architecture, Interiors, PTWP Group
- **Robert Posytek**, Publishing Director - Real Estate, Architecture, Interiors, PTWP Group

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Conference Room 25

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Urban Space – New Trends

Cities are evolving under the influence of urbanisation, demographic changes, and rising climate requirements. Key challenges: revitalising and modernising public space, integrating transport and urban logistics, sustainable planning, and supporting local communities and the creative economy. Investment in urban infrastructure, space, and technologies – the role of private investors. How to design the cities of the future – sustainable, functional, attractive, and friendly to residents?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Jarosław Bator**, President of the Management Board, NDI Development
- **Benoit Charles**, CEO, Apsys Polska
- **Tomasz Konior**, architect, urban planner, founder, Konior Studio
- **Michał Lorbiecki**, Urban Planner, Chorzów
- **Joanna Popielawska**, Director Coordinator of Strategy and External Relations, City of Warsaw
- **Kinga Nowakowska**, Member of the Management Board, COO, Grupa Capital Park
- **Grzegorz Tomaszewski**, President of the Management Board, PFR Nieruchomości

Moderated by:

- **Anna Sołomiewicz**, Journalist, PropertyDesign.pl

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Bingo

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Investments, partnership, dialogue

What could, and should, effective cooperation based on partnership between developers, investors, contractors, designers, as well as central and local government look like (a cycle of talks and presentations of best practices):

- urban-forming and pro-developmental projects,
- renovation, repurposing,
- investments in culturally significant spaces,
- facilities and public space that improve the standard of living,
- communication, urban mobility
- sustainable investments, adaptation to climate change,
- power, heating, utilities, infrastructure,
- safety, resilience, infrastructure.

Conversation 2:1:

- **Monika Krajewska**, Director of Strategy and Development Office, Polskie Porty Lotnicze SA
- **Joanna Mroczek**, Senior Director, Head of Strategic Consultancy & ESG, CBRE

Moderated by:

- **Adam Roguski**, economic journalist, Rzeczpospolita and Parkiet

Presentation (20')

- **Wojciech Maroszek**, President of the Management Board, KATO.HUB

Conversation 1:1:

- **Grzegorz Tomaszewski**, prezes, PFR Nieruchomości SA

Moderated by:

- **Grażyna Kuryłto**, Editor, PropertyNews.pl

23 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. | Conference Room 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Hotels, resorts, investment

Hotels in Poland: dynamics, new formats and design, rebranding and modernisation projects, most active investors in traditional and new locations. More than just accommodation – new functions of hotels and their impact on the property market and decisions made by investors. Changing preference of tourists and travellers, the influence of the MICE industry, the role of short-term rent and digitalisation of services – the challenges faced by owners and investors. The impact of hotels and investments in this segment and the conditions and new possibilities of regional and local development.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Witold Antochów**, Managing Director, Hotel Arłamów SA
- **Karol Brzeškiewicz**, Vice President of the Management Board, Górskie Resorty
- **Antoni Byrdy**, Mayor of Szczyrk
- **Honorata Krupka**, treasurer of the City of Gdynia
- **Marta Masłowska**, Central Sales Director, Gołębiewski Holding
- **Ireneusz Raś**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Sports and Tourism, Poland
- **Krzysztof Staniszewski**, General Director, Crystal Mountain Hotel
- **Rafał Szmytke**, Member of the Management Board, Polski Holding Hotelowy

Moderated by:

- **Aneta Wieczorek-Hodyra**, Editor, PropertyNews.pl

24 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 3.00 p.m. | Conference Room 6

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Historical monuments

How to effectively preserve monuments – regulatory framework, practice, outcomes, barriers. Renovation and maintenance costs – financing from public funds. Engagement of private investors – activation, preferences, recommendations Necessary compromise: navigating cooperation with the State Monument Protection Service. New functions of historic buildings – best practices in revitalization.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Piotr Grochowski**, Member of the Supervisory Board, Head Architect, Arche Group
- **Wiesław Likus**, Likus Hotels and Restaurants
- **Krzysztof Myśliński**, Świętokrzyskie Voivodeship Heritage Conservator, Voivodeship Office for the Protection of Monuments
- **Adam Pustelnik**, Deputy Mayor of Łódź

- **Marta Sękulska-Wrońska**, architect, CEO, partner, WXCA
- **Narcyz Wrześniewski**, President of the Management Board, Epione Group
- **Bożena Żelazowska**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Culture and National Heritage, General Conservator of Monuments

Moderated by:

- **Katarzyna Lisowska**, Journalist, PropertyDesign.pl

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23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Conference Room 25

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Savings – the Fuel for Growth

Mobilising domestic capital as a source of financing for strategic investments in infrastructure, energy, and technologies. Social trust, financial education, and attractive savings instruments are of key importance. How can funds accumulated in PPK, OKI and investment funds be effectively activated so that they become a real driving force for the Polish economy and increase its financial resilience?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Tomasz Bardziłowski**, President of the Management Board, Warsaw Stock Exchange (GPW)
- **Marcin Giżycki**, Vice President of the Management Board, ING Bank Śląski SA
- **Paweł Jaroszek**, Member of the Management Board supervising the Finance and Income Realisation Division, Social Insurance Institution
- **Adam Szejnfeld**, Senator of the Republic of Poland
- **Joanna Tyrowicz**, Member of the Monetary Policy Council
- **Paweł Wojciechowski**, President of the Management Board, Institute of Public Finance, Minister of Finance 2006, Poland

Moderated by:

- **Tomasz Setta**, Journalist, money.pl

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Conference Room 6

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Financing investment

The energy, digital and infrastructure transformation requires enormous financial outlays that cannot be borne by the state budget alone. New mechanisms are needed – infrastructure bonds, public-private partnerships, EU and national funds. How to build a stable system of investment financing that balances development needs with the security of public finances?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Przemysław Jastrzębski**, Vice-President of the Management Board for Finance, PGE Polska Grupa Energetyczna SA
- **Jacek Jaworowski**, Member of the Management Board, Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego
- **Marcin Kościński**, Vice President of the Management, ING Bank Śląski SA
- **Małgorzata Królik**, Vice President of the Management, Grupa Azoty
- **Sebastian Mikina**, counsel, Banking & Finance, Baker McKenzie
- **Marcin A. Piasecki**, Executive Director, IFM Investors
- **Anna Wołoszyn**, Partner, Head of Advisory, Head of Deal Advisory CEE, KPMG Poland

Moderated by:

- **Przemysław Tychmanowicz**, economic journalist, Rzeczpospolita, Parkiet

23 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. | Green Planet 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The Tax System

Taxes shape the competitiveness of the economy and investment decisions. Challenges include fiscal pressure, simplification of the system, regulatory stability, and adjustment to the economic and green transition. Is a tax reform possible that simultaneously supports growth, innovation, and social justice?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Janusz Cichoń**, Member of the Polish Parliament, Parliamentary Committee on Public Finance
- **Paweł Gruza**, Advisor to the President of the Republic of Poland
- **Robert Gwiazdowski**, tax expert, Adam Smith Centre
- **Ewa Jakubczyk-Cały**, Managing Partner, PKF Poland
- **Ryszard Petru**, Member of the Polish Parliament, Chair of the Parliamentary Committee on Deregulation, Centrum Parliamentary Club

- **Marcin Zieliński**, President of the Management Board, Civil Development Forum Foundation

Moderated by:

- **Tomasz Pietryga**, Editor-in-Chief, Dziennik Gazeta Prawna

23 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. | Ballroom C

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Poland 2030+ – Investments for the Future

Strategic investments in new energy infrastructure, multimodal transport infrastructure, High-Speed Rail and the space industry, advanced digital technologies. Financing, technological security, human resources and skills, international cooperation, and resilience to global change.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Marcin Chludziński**, Chairman of the Council, Foundation Center for Development Strategies Member of the Economic Council to the President of Poland
- **Marcin Danił**, Member of the Management Board for Commercial and Financial Affairs, Polskie Porty Lotnicze SA
- **Zbigniew Jagiełło**, Member of the Supervisory Boards, Blik, Asseco, EkoEnergetyka, MCI, SuperDrob, PrivatBank
- **Monika Morali-Majkut**, Chair of the Supervisory Board, Atlas Ward
- **Krzysztof Ślęczka**, Managing Director, Manufacturing and Consumer Industries, Accenture w Polsce

Moderated by:

- **Rafał Hirsch**, Journalist, WNP, TOK FM

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Conference Room 23

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Capital Market

EU plans for the integration of capital markets: objectives and arguments, potential effects and concerns. The effectiveness of strategies aimed at attracting issuers and investors; regulations that could facilitate this. Personal Investment Account and Employee Capital Plans – incentives for investment. New investor preferences (cryptocurrencies, foreign markets) versus the attractiveness and conditions of investing on the Warsaw Stock Exchange. The condition, potential, and prospects of domestic capital market entities.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Tomasz Bardziłowski**, President of the Management Board, Warsaw Stock Exchange (GPW)
- **Arkadiusz Bociąg**, Managing Director, Head of CEE Equity Capital Markets, UniCredit
- **Agnieszka Czerwiakowska**, Member of the Management Board, Dom Maklerski INC S.A
- **Waldemar Markiewicz**, President of the Management Board, Chamber of Brokerage Houses
- **Artur Trela**, President of the Management Board, TFI PZU SA
- **Maciej Trybuchowski**, President of the Management Board, Central Securities Depository of Poland (KDPW)

Moderated by:

- **Przemysław Tychmanowicz**, Economic Journalist, Rzeczpospolita, Parkiet

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m - 2.00 p.m. | Ballroom C

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The Banking Sector – Financing Investment

Banks' strategies in the face of regulatory requirements, fiscal pressure, and the challenges of digitalisation. Fintechs, digital financial platforms, process automation, and new risk assessment models are changing the structure of the sector. Competition between the traditional banking sector and digital innovation in access to capital. The role of banks in raising the level of investment – plans, constraints, cooperation with investors, access to capital for SMEs.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Tadeusz Białek**, President, Polish Bank Association
- **Michał Bolesławski**, President of the Management Board, ING Bank Śląski SA
- **Joao Bras Jorge**, President of the Management Board, Bank Millennium
- **Krzysztof Bratos**, Vice President of the Management Board, mBank
- **Mirosław Czekaj**, President of the Management Board, Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego
- **Szymon Midera**, President of the Management Board, PKO Bank Polski
- **Wojciech Sobieraj**, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, UniCredit NV/SA
- **Piotr Żabski**, President of the Management Board, Alior Bank

Moderated by:

- **Agata Stremecka**, President of the Management Board, Four Reasons Foundation

24 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Conference Room 23

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Investment Allure

How to create a competitive and safe environment for foreign investment – a coherent and durable ecosystem? Regulatory stability, quality of infrastructure, skills and human capital. Challenges: simplification of procedures, local content, public-private partnerships, state support (SSE – special economic zones, tax incentives).

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Janusz Dziurzyński**, President, ABSL
- **Łukasz Pobudejski**, Managing Director, Specialised Finance Division, Bank BNP Paribas
- **Agnieszka Rupniewska**, President of the Management Board, Fabryka Przewodów Energetycznych S.A
- **Adam Siekierski**, Member of the Management Board, Philip Morris Polska Distribution
- **Arkadiusz Tarnowski**, Deputy Director, Investment Support Department, Polish Investment and Trade Agency (PAIH)
- **Andrzej Zabieglński**, Vice President of the Management Board, Katowice Special Economic Zone

Moderated by:

- **Łukasz Kościjańczuk**, partner, Grants and Tax Incentives Team, CRIDO

22 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m - 6.00 p.m. | Green Planet 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Public procurement and local content

Public procurement as a tool of economic policy. Mechanisms of support for domestic industry in public procurement that do not contravene the principles of EU treaties, free market, and transparency. How to define local content and how to make sure it is maintained? From ideas to practical legislative solutions. Domestic entities in the investment process – experience, recommendations, controversy. SMEs competing with major players and international consortia – how to make sure they compete on a level playing field. Requirements and non-price criteria in tenders: quality, social and environmental (green procurement). In search of a precedent – what European practices could be replicated in Poland?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Angelika Cieślowska**, President of the Management Board, DORACO
- **Przemysław Ciszak**, General Director, Ministry of State Assets, Poland
- **Edmund Kubeczka**, Sales Director, Co-owner, Cashy Sp. z o.o.
- **Marek Mazurek**, President of the Management Board, General Director, Izostal SA
- **Agnieszka Olszewska**, President, Public Procurement Office
- **Artur Popko**, CEO, General Director, Budimex SA
- **Andrzej Sterczyński**, President of the Management Board, UNIBEP SA
- **Sławomir Żurawski**, Acting President, Poczta Polska

Moderated by:

- **Paweł Czuryło**, Managing Editor, Rzeczpospolita, Parkiet

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m. | Green Planet 4

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Deregulation and investment

The effectiveness of investments in Poland vs. the complexity of legislation and procedures, bureaucracy, and sluggish decision-making. Deregulation – just a catch-phrase or a common practice? Changes to legislation proposed by investors. Other barriers faced by investors: access to financing, unfit infrastructure, a shortage of qualified staff, environmental requirements, geopolitical risk. How to comprehensively streamline the investment process in Poland?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Łukasz Bernatowicz**, President of the Employers' Association, Business Centre Club
- **Dariusz Blocher**, Member of the Supervisory Board, Unibep SA
- **Krzysztof Kwiatkowski**, Senator of the Republic of Poland, President of the Supreme Audit Office from 2013 to 2019
- **Marcin Mochocki**, Member of the Board, Director for Investment Implementation, PKP Polskie Linie Kolejowe SA
- **Grzegorz Orawiec**, Director, Department of Innovation and Development Support Programmes, Ministry of Development Funds and Regional Policy, Poland
- **Jerzy Polaczek**, Member of the Polish Parliament, Member of the Parliamentary Infrastructure Committee
- **Artur Popko**, CEO, General Director, Budimex SA
- **Weronika Smarduch**, Member of the Polish Parliament, Civic Coalition

Moderated by:

- **Ewa Szadkowska**, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Rzeczpospolita

23 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. | Conference Room 23

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Finance of the Future

Asset tokenization and new digital payment methods are transforming the way the economy is financed. Fintechs and technologies transforming the world of finance. The agency model in digital payments. The role of cryptocurrencies and stablecoins in the modern financial system. Challenges: regulations, data security, system stability, and investor confidence. How can we create a legal and institutional framework that will allow Poland to fully participate in the new financial architecture?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Natalia Dembek-Ślusarczyńska**, EY Partner, Audit Team and CFO Consulting/ EY Poland
- **Bożena Graczyk**, Vice President of the Management Board, ING Bank Śląski SA
- **Janina Harasim**, Head of Department of Banking and Financial Markets, University of Economics in Katowice
- **Jacek Iljin**, Vice President of the Management Board, Alior Bank
- **Daria Ringwelska**, Director, Market Surveillance and Infrastructure Department, Polish Financial Supervision Authority
- **Konrad Ślusarczyk**, Director of the Government Engagement, VISA

Moderated by:

- **Michał Niewiadomski**, Analyst, Bankier.pl

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Conference Room 3

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

National Investment Capital

The Personal Investment Account (OKI) – a strategic state project aimed at transforming domestic savings into real development capital. How to mobilise the funds of citizens and institutions safely, transparently, and over the long term – with a view to financing investment? Social trust, the effectiveness of incentive instruments, and linking the fund with the state's industrial and financial policy. The impact of the OKI programme on the capital market – forecasts, needs, expectations.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Dariusz Adamski**, Deputy Chair of the Board, Polish Financial Supervision Authority
- **Maciej Bitner**, Head of Regulatory Research, Warsaw Stock Exchange (GPW)
- **Jacek Iljin**, Vice President of the Management Board, Alior Bank
- **Magdalena Ramatowska**, Director of the Investment Banking Division, PKO Bank Polski
- **Wojciech Sieńczyk**, Vice President of the Management Board, ING Bank Śląski SA
- **Artur Treła**, President of the Management Board, TFI PZU SA

Moderated by:

- **Paweł Biedrzycki**, Editor-in-chief, StrefaInwestorow.pl

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Conference Room 24

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Leadership

Leaders of our time: new competencies and skills needed to manage teams amid economic and regulatory uncertainty, technological transformation, and new work models. Operational strengths: flexibility, resilience, innovation, and the ability to anticipate risk. Authentic leadership and authority instead of domination: influencing change, building relationships and support, openness to dialogue.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Sylvia Hałas-Dej**, Vice-Rector for Development and External Relations, Kozminski University
- **Wojciech Jezierski**, Head of Koronea Family Office
- **Ewa Łapińska**, General Manager for Poland and the Baltic States, Mars Wrigley Poland
- **Anna Rulkiewicz**, President, LUX MED Group, President, Employers for Health Association, First Vice-President, Lewiatan Confederation
- **Katarzyna Szerling**, Vice President of the Management Board, mLeasing
- **Krzysztof Tokarz**, President, Specjał sp. z o.o.

Moderated by:

- **Joanna Burnos**, Founder, LEADERIS Institute, expert, Team Europe, podcaster of „Departament Kobiet”

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Conference Room 3

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Insurance

The market of corporate insurance in the face of climate change, geopolitical turmoil and challenges presented by shifting demographics. How does insurance affect the stability of the economy? The role of insurance in risk management. Technological innovations in insurance: prediction and data analysis, the use of AI in risk and price

analysis. Fleet insurance, major investment programmes (energy, infrastructure) – segments of the market with growth potential. Prospects for the development of the insurance market in Poland and Europe.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Paweł Gąsior**, Director of Financial Services Office, Industrial Development Agency JSC (IDA JSC)
- **Michał Górny**, Director, Risk Management Office, Alfa Brokers
- **Jan Grzegorz Prądyński**, President of the Management Board, Polish Chamber of Insurance
- **Marcin Ogniewski**, Corporate Business Development Director, PZU SA
- **Monika Szaraniec**, PhD in Laws, university professor, legal adviser, Dean of the Faculty of Law, Head of the Department of Public Economic Law and Labour Law, Cracow University of Economics
- **Łukasz Zoń**, Director, Legal Department, EIB SA, President, Association of Polish Insurance and Reinsurance Brokers

Moderated by:

- **Jacek Pochłopiań**, Special Projects Editor, Infor PL

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Conference Room 4

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Shadow economy

Bookmaking, state monopoly vs. lotto and online casinos. The consequences of shadow economy in bookmaking: lost tax revenue, risk for players, destabilized market, difficulties in enforcing law. What tools – regulatory, fiscal, educational – could limit the development of the shadow economy and integrate the market? The European practice. Responsible gambling: the role of the state and business, risk, motivation of the client.

Presentation (5'):

- **Zdzisław Kostrubała**, President of the Management Board, "Play Legally" Association for the Elimination of the Illegal Gambling and Betting Market

Presentation (5'):

- **Artur Nowak-Far**, professor SGH, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs 2013–2015, Poland

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Radosław Kietliński**, Management Board Plenipotentiary, Totalizator Sportowy
- **Michał Kłosiński**, Director, Game Studies Research Centre, University of Silesia in Katowice
- **Zdzisław Kostrubała**, President of the Management Board, "Play Legally" Association for the Elimination of the Illegal Gambling and Betting Market
- **Tomasz Kostuś**, Member of the Polish Parliament, Parliamentary Public Finance Committee
- **Artur Nowak-Far**, professor SGH, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs 2013–2015, Poland
- **Birgitte Sand**, Gaming advisor to authorities/industry, former Danish regulator, past pres. of International Association of Gaming Regulators
- **Marek Skrzyński**, President, Bookmakers Together Association

Moderated by:

- **Marek Czyż**, Journalist, TVP

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m. | Ballroom B

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Business transformation 2030

Enterprises operate in an endlessly volatile market, subject to shifting geopolitics and costs fluctuation. Hence, it is so important to be resilient and flexible. Modernisation of manufacturing processes, digitalisation and the use of AI in optimisation, increasing effectiveness, and maintaining the profit margin. New models of costs and operation. The role of Central Europe in nearshoring. Competencies, automation, human resources. How can enterprises increase their resilience, remain profitable and gain competitive advantage in an increasingly volatile market reality, facing global competition, and rapid technological transition, all at once?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Krzysztof Andrzejewski**, Member of the Management Board, Kulczyk Investments
- **Adam Bugaj**, Chief Operating Officer, WEBCON
- **Marcin Celejewski**, President of the Management Board, Grupa Azoty SA
- **Paweł Dziekoński**, Vice President of the Management Board, FAKRO
- **Krzysztof Felker**, CFO, Member of the Management Board, Gołębiowski Holding
- **Bogusław Oleksy**, Acting President of the Management Board, Vice-President of the Management Board for Financial Matters, Jastrzębska Spółka Węglowa SA
- **Wojciech Przybył**, Vice-President of the Management Board, Alior Bank
- **Zbigniew Rymarczyk**, Vice President of the Management Board, Director of the ERP Division, Comarch SA

Moderated by:

- **Anna Wołoszyn**, Partner, Head of Advisory, Head of Deal Advisory CEE, KPMG Poland

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Conference Room 23

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The market of private equity

The market of private equity in Central Europe and Poland: structure, funds, and other entities making private equity investments. Their role in obtaining capital by mature enterprises, support in restructuring, increasing professionalism of management, and significance for expansion in the market. Not only finance – the advisory engagement of private equity investors, new standards and corporate governance, operational optimisation. Low interest of domestic institutional investors in investments made by private equity funds – what are the reasons and how to change it? Models of cooperation, strategies, and management activity that allow to maximise the value of the private equity market

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Mateusz Kacprzak**, Managing Director, Country Head of Corporate & Investment Banking, UniCredit Poland
- **Paweł Malicki**, partner, MidEuropa
- **Tomasz Mrowczyk**, Co-Managing Partner, Griffin Capital Partners
- **Michał Rusiecki**, Managing Partner, Enterprise Investors
- **Kasper Taczek**, Investment Director, PPF Group
- **Łukasz Targoszyński**, partner, Transactional Group, Baker McKenzie
- **Rozalia Urbanek**, Acting President of the Management Board, PFR Ventures
- **Anna Wnuk**, Managing Director, Polish Private Equity and Venture Capital Association

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Conference Room 7

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Acquisitions of family businesses in Europe

A lack of effective succession in many European family businesses, a growing number of entities seeking investors, opportunities for mergers and acquisitions. How to prepare for a takeover of a family company? Measuring the value and risk, integrating organisational cultures. What strategies of succession and M&A will allow enterprises to maintain their value and use market opportunities in the rapidly changing European environment?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Paweł Buszman**, Founder, President, "Pro Benefis Familiae" Family Foundation, Head of Cardiovascular Diseases Department, Collegium Medicum, Jan Długosz University in Częstochowa
- **Ryszard Czerwiński**, Managing Partner, Trigon, Vice President, Trigon Dom Maklerski SA
- **Elżbieta Rogowska**, Vice President of the Management Board, PW Krystian
- **Paweł Rymarz**, Managing Partner, Rymarz Zdort Maruta Law Firm
- **Patrycja Śliwka**, Controlling Director, Suempol
- **Michał Wypychewicz**, CEO, Koronea Family Office, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, ZPUE SA

Moderated by:

- **Eugeniusz Twaróg**, Deputy Editor-In-chief, Puls Biznesu, pb.pl

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Spodek Stage 2

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Managing a family business

Development of family businesses: the meaning of professional management, establishing modern structures, applying corporate standards and decision-making processes, and efficient planning of a succession. Family foundations as a tool used to stabilize ownership, protect the value of the enterprise, and optimise tax expenditures. How to efficiently manage a family business, combine tradition with professionalism, while upholding the values and still developing the enterprise?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Bartłomiej Dobosz**, Co-owner, SKB Group
- **Filip Gorczyca**, Member Of The Management Board at The Association of Independent Non-Executive Directors, Member of the Supervisory Boards of: Develia, Ferro, Artifex Mundi, VanKing Celkar Group
- **Adam Grabowski**, Vice President, Polmlek Trading, Member of the Supervisory Board, Polmlek Group
- **Henryk Orfinger**, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, Dr Irena Eris
- **Wojciech Sieńczyk**, Vice President of the Management Board, ING Bank Śląski SA
- **Karolina Sikorska**, Marketing Director, Unimot SA

Moderated by:

- **Katarzyna Dębek**, Editor-in-Chief, Forbes Poland, Forbes Woman

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Conference Room 6

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Economic judiciary

The effectiveness of commercial judiciary is the cornerstone of a free market, safe trade, economic stability and resilience, as well as the investment allure of a state. Sluggish judicial proceedings and their impact on the situation of businesses and effective enforcement of the rights of entrepreneurs. Competences of courts and judges vs. the quality and transparency of judicature. The formalism of procedures – room for some change. Digital proceedings – real support or ostensible improvement? Commercial courts, arbitration, mediation. What systemic changes are required in the Polish judiciary, taking into account the needs of entrepreneurs and the economy?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Włodzimierz Chróścik**, President, Krajowa Rada Radców Prawnych
- **Barbara Dolniak**, Member of the Polish Parliament
- **Robert Draba**, Member of the Management Board, Employers of Poland
- **Mariusz Haładaj**, President, Supreme Audit Office of Poland (NIK)
- **Aneta Łazarska**, Judge, Regional Court in Warsaw, 23rd Commercial Appeals Division, professor, Łazarski University
- **Marek Miller**, President, General Counsel's Office of the Republic of Poland
- **Przemysław Rosati**, President, Polish Bar Council

Moderated by:

- **Tomasz Pietryga**, Editor-in-Chief, Dziennik Gazeta Prawna

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Green Planet 4

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Deregulation: scrutinizing the scrutinizers

Bureaucracy, sluggish decision-making in administration, excessive regulation, inconsistent and complicated provisions – a real and permanent burden on entrepreneurs. The cost of compliance and legal risk vs. their impact on a country's investment allure. The "forever relevant appeal" of business: stability and predictability, better quality of the legislative process, and better legal solutions. Deregulatory initiatives and their achievements to date. Deregulation as a tool increasing the competitiveness and resilience of an economy – just a one-off or a continuous process? Do we need a deregulation strategy?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Maciej Berek**, Minister for Government Policy Implementation
- **Rafał Brzoska**, CEO, InPost
- **Jacek Cieplak**, Vice President of the Management Board, Employers of Poland
- **Jakub Dzik**, Member of the Management Board, CEO, Impel Group
- **Mariusz Haładaj**, President, Supreme Audit Office of Poland (NIK)
- **Marian Owerko**, Vice President of the Management Board, Polska Rada Biznesu
- **Eliza Kruczkowska**, Board Member, European Innovation Council, Managing Director, Think Tank The Company
- **Jacek Socha**, Minister of the Treasury from 2004 to 2005, Entrepreneurship Support Foundation, Coordinator of the Sprawdzamy project, Alvarez&Marsal Senior Advisor

Moderated by:

- **Dominika Sikora**, Editor-in-Chief, WNP Economic Trends

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Conference Room 24

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

What does it mean for a company to be Polish?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

"Business has a nationality" – what defines it? The definition of a local company and critical criteria. Well-established foreign capital in the Polish market on one hand, and originally Polish companies with a major foreign shareholder on the other. What matters: cooperation within local supply chains, reinvesting and creating added value for the economy, the role of the labour market, transfer of technologies and innovations, tax residence. What is the risk of being dependent on foreign entities? How could the "identification" of companies impact the preference of potential foreign investors, transfer of technologies and know-how?

- **Marina Dubakina**, CEO, IKEA Retail Poland
- **Przemysław Pokorski**, Managing Director, VELUX Poland and the Baltic States
- **Szymon Reptowski**, Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Grupa NDI

Moderated by:

- **Jan Bolanowski**, Warsaw Bureau Chief, Euronews

23 April, 2026 r. | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Ballroom C

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Polish companies' potential for growth

How to increase the potential of Polish companies facing key megatrends of modernity? Demographics – challenges for business: increasing labour costs, staff availability, migration. Technological transition – motivation, pace, effects. International competitions and its conditions. Polish companies in foreign markets: advantages, risk factors, barriers, institutional support. Legislation and EU financing – the policy of the community vs. sovereignty, security, industrialisation. The need to redesign the economic model – employees as active participants in the process.

Presentation:

- **Rafał Benecki**, Director of Macroeconomic Analysis Office, Chief Economist, ING Bank Śląski SA

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Jakub Bartoszek**, CEO, MAB Robotics
- **Michał Bolesławski**, President of the Management Board, ING Bank Śląski SA
- **Piotr Krupa**, CEOz, Kruk Group
- **Krzysztof Pawiński**, President of the Management Board, Co-owner, Maspex Group
- **Artur Popko**, CEO, General Director, Budimex SA
- **Robert Stobiński**, President of the Management Board, Amica Group

Moderated by:

- **Rafał Benecki**, Director of Macroeconomic Analysis Office, Chief Economist, ING Bank Śląski SA

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m. | Conference Room 3

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Decarbonization of corporate fleets

EU targets for corporate fleets under Clean Corporate Vehicles – one of the key elements of the European transport decarbonization strategy. Ambitions, reality, market reactions: will regulatory acceleration actually reduce emissions? Pressure, costs, and risks of transformation for companies and the financial sector; projected impact on the leasing market and the competitiveness of EU member states' economies. How to decarbonize fleets in line with economic realities and interests?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Marcin Balicki**, President of the Management Board, Millennium Leasing
- **Tomasz Bogus**, President of the Management Board, PKO Leasing
- **Monika Konstant**, President of the Management Board, Polish Leasing Association ZPL
- **Andrzej Krzemiński**, President of the Management Board, Pekao Leasing

Moderated by:

- **Artur Osiecki**, Rzeczpospolita

TRACK: INNOVATIONS, LABOUR MARKET, EDUCATION

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Competencies of the future

Dynamic changes and shortages in the labour market require new skills: technological, business, and social. Preparing graduates to work in hybrid teams, take strategic decisions, and develop applied creativity. Do university and vocational school programmes respond to the needs of tomorrow's economy? Fields and models of education, practical experience – adapting education to future challenges.

Conversation 1:1:

- **Johan Roos**, Professor, Senior Advisor, Peter Drucker Society Europe, Executive Advisor, Professor, Hult International Business School

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Michał Doligalski**, Director, Department of Innovation and Development, Ministry of Science and Higher Education
- **Łukasz Foks**, AI National Skills Director, Microsoft Poland
- **Tomasz Ingram**, Head of Department of Entrepreneurship and Management Innovation, University of Economics in Katowice
- **Krzysztof Kurek**, Rector, University of Medical Sciences
- **Jerzy Lis**, Rector, AGH University of Krakow
- **Monika Posadas**, Marketing Manager Medical Nutrition CEE, Nestlé Health Science
- **Johan Roos**, Professor, Senior Advisor, Peter Drucker Society Europe, Executive Advisor, Professor, Hult International Business School

Moderated by:

- **Jacek Ziarno**, Managing Editor, WNP Economic Trends

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Ballroom B

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Start-ups – what next?

The Polish start-up ecosystem – an assessment of the past decade and prospects for the coming years. Corporate–start-up cooperation: when does it make sense and what are the real expectations of businesses and investors? The most promising sectors and projects the market is no longer looking for. Trends and barriers: scaling, commercialisation, internationalisation, and the regulatory environment. The support system – incubators, accelerators, funds – does it respond to market needs? Conditions for success and specific recommendations for young, innovative entrepreneurship.

Conversation 1:1:

- **Krzysztof Gulda**, President of the Management Board, Polish Agency for Enterprise Development
- **Grzegorz Sadowski**, Editor-In-Chief, MyCompany

Conversation 2:1:

- **Lech Kaniuk**, Founder, Grasperly, Venture Partner, Eleven Ventures, Founder, SunRoof
- **Jerzy Kufel**, President of the Management Board, iteo

Moderated by:

- **Jarosław Sroka**, Member of the Management Board, KI Next

Business × Start-ups – an open confrontation

A direct dialogue between start-ups and representatives of corporations and investment funds. Which projects is business no longer willing to invest in? What will it be looking for in the next 2–3 years? What are the conditions for effective cooperation and commercialisation? Practical questions, clear answers.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Kamil Pruchnik**, Representative for Poland, European Investment Fund (EIF), European Investment Bank Group in Poland
- **Adrian Mirowski**, CEO, ONYX
- **Marcin Seniuk**, Director of Startup Development Department, Polish Agency for Enterprise Development
- **Natalia Świrski**, Startup Program Lead CEE, OVHcloud
- **Albert Tomaszewski**, Department of Strategic Management, SGH Warsaw School of Economics

Moderated by:

- **Grzegorz Sadowski**, Editor-In-Chief, MyCompany

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Ballroom B

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EEC Startup Challenge, pt. 1

Presentations by the winners of the competition before the jury and audience of the European Economic Congress

Conversation 1:1(20):

- **Krzysztof Gawkowski**, Deputy Prime Minister of Poland, Minister of Digital Affairs, Government Plenipotentiary for Cyber Security
- **Elżbieta Rutkowska**, Journalist, WNP.PL

Category: 4BUSINESS – solutions for business

(e.g. management, automation, robotisation, digitalisation, solutions for industry, energy, construction, transport)

Presentations:

- **Bartłomiej Sadlej**, Vice President of the Management Board, ContractSpot
- **Alicja Ziemińska**, President of the Management Board, ContractSpot
-
- **Dawid Pelczarski**, CEO, OpenBrand
-
- **Ivan Osadchyi**, CEO, knopka

Jury:

- **Hubert Adamczyk**, Expert, Polish Agency for Enterprise Development
- **Daniel Blumczyński**, Member of the Management Board, PayU SA
- **Jakub Dąbroś**, Vice President of the Management Board, Innovations Hub
- **Dominika Goleniowska-Milinković**, Manager, Open Innovation, TAURON Polska Energia
- **Marek Klusek**, Director, Guarantees, Innovation and Contract Conditions Branch, Budimex
- **Joanna Juszczyzyn-Klimek**, Director of the Project Management Department, DGA
- **Izabela Leśkiewicz**, Head of PR & Communications, American Heart of Poland SA
- **Kamil Majerczak**, CEO, PreZero Polska
- **Adrian Migoń**, President of the Management Board, Youth Business Poland
- **Michał Misztal**, President of the Management Board, Startup Academy
- **Barbara Miś**, Head of the Department, Investor Service Department, Municipal Business Incubator Rawa.Ink, Katowice City Hall

- **Konrad Ozdowy**, Innovation Manager, Department of Innovation and Development, PKO Bank Polski
- **Kamil Pruchnik**, Representative for Poland, European Investment Fund (EIF), European Investment Bank Group in Poland
- **Jakub Przybylski**, Strategy & Business Development Manager, ABB w Polsce
- **Natalia Świrska**, Startup Program Lead CEE, OVHcloud

Category: 44TECH– technologies of the future

(e.g.. ICT, AI, XR, data, cloud, deeptech, cybersec)

Presentations:

- **Wiktor Wróbel**, Key Account Manager, Migam AI
- **Paweł Potakowski**, Chief Communication Officer, Migam AI
-
- **Adam Kądziela**, CEO, Co-Founder, Nanosci
- -
- **Hubert Baryła**, Co-founder, Sales Director, Miget
- **Krzysztof Taraszka**, Co-founder, General Director, Miget
- -
- **Ewa Kieczka**, Chief Operating Officer, Graylight Imaging
- **Marek Piura**, Head of Project Management, Graylight Imaging

Jury:

- **Hubert Adamczyk**, Expert, Polish Agency for Enterprise Development
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- **Jakub Przybylski**, Strategy & Business Development Manager, ABB Poland
- **Natalia Świrska**, Startup Program Lead CEE, OVHcloud

Moderated by:

- **Marcin Sawicki**, Journalist, TVN

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Ballroom B

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

EEC Startup Challenge, pt. 2

Presentations by the winners of the competition before the jury and audience of the European Economic Congress

Category: 4CLIENT – solutions for people

(e.g.. retail, fintech, edutech, healthtech, services for the patient, leisure and past-time services)

Presentations:

- **Adam Broncel**, Chief Medical Officer, Cogniguard
-
- **Aleksandra Kocik**, prezeska, SpeechFlow
- **Arkadiusz Klej**, CEO, SpeechFlow
-
- **Ewa Krańska**, CEO & Founder, When U Buy
-
- **Piotr Liszkowski**, Co-founder, Nieamputuj.pl
- **Paweł Pietrzyński**, Co-founder, Nieamputuj.pl

Jury:

- **Hubert Adamczyk**, Expert, Polish Agency for Enterprise Development
- **Jakub Dąbroś**, Vice President of the Management Board, Innovations Hub
- **Dominika Goleniowska-Milinković**, Manager, Open Innovation, TAURON Polska Energia
- **Joanna Juszczyzyn-Klimek**, Director of the Project Management Department, DGA

- **Marcin Lewandowski**, Member of the Management Board, Polpharma Scientific Foundation
- **Izabela Leśkiewicz**, Head of PR & Communications, American Heart of Poland SA
- **Kamil Majerczak**, CEO, PreZero Polska
- **Adrian Migoń**, President of the Management Board, Youth Business Poland
- **Michał Misztal**, President of the Management Board, Startup Academy
- **Konrad Ozdowy**, Innovation Manager, Department of Innovation and Development, PKO Bank Polski
- **Dominika Petelicka-Puwalska**, Director, Polpharma Scientific Foundation
- **Kamil Pruchnik**, Representative for Poland, European Investment Fund (EIF), European Investment Bank Group in Poland
- **Natalia Świrska**, Startup Program Lead CEE, OVHcloud
- **Dorota Włoch**, President of the Management Board, Eneris Surowce

Category: 4EARTH – positive impact economy

(e.g. circular economy, emissions reduction, smart city, AgriTech, biotechnologies, technologies for the environment)

Presentations:

- **Barbara Hefczyk**, Scientific Director, Clariter SPV Sp. z o. o.
- **Justyna Krawczyk**, Business Development Manager, Clariter SPV Sp. z o. o.
-
- **Marcin Spiralski**, President of the Management Board, Sensorbite
-
- **Przemysław Budnicki**, CRO, Waterly
-
- **Konrad Zuchniak**, Vice President, Neuralbit Technologies Sp. z o. o.

Jury:

- **Dominika Goleniowska-Milinković**, Manager, Open Innovation, TAURON Polska Energia
- **Joanna Juszczyzyn-Klimek**, Director of the Project Management Department, DGA
- **Izabela Leśkiewicz**, Head of PR & Communications, American Heart of Poland SA
- **Kamil Majerczak**, CEO, PreZero Polska
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- **Michał Misztal**, President of the Management Board, Startup Academy
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- **Kamil Pruchnik**, Representative for Poland, European Investment Fund (EIF), European Investment Bank Group in Poland
- **Natalia Świrska**, Startup Program Lead CEE, OVHcloud
- **Dorota Włoch**, President of the Management Board, Eneris Surowce

Moderated by:

- **Marcin Sawicki**, Journalist, TVN

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Green Planet 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Polish science

The higher education system in the face of the needs of the economy, the country's development ambitions, demographic trends, and technological challenges. Financing. Reform of the system. Assessment of science in Poland – new rules. Drop-out – how to respond? Polish science within the European system of university cooperation. The offer of Polish universities for foreign students.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Zdzisława Dacko-Pikiewicz**, Rector, WSB Academy in Dąbrowa Górnicza
- **Ryszard Koziołek**, Rector, University of Silesia
- **Marcin Kulasek**, Minister of Science and Higher Education, Poland
- **Jerzy Małachowski**, Director, National Centre for Research and Development
- **Krzysztof Mendrok**, Vice-Rector for Education, AGH University of Krakow
- **Marek Pawełczyk**, Rector, Silesian University of Technology
- **Tomasz Rożek**, Science Journalist, Founder, 'Nauka. To Lubię' Foundation
- **Marta du Vall**, President of the Foundation Board, Polish Women Scientist Network

Moderated by:

- **Jacek Ziarno**, Managing Editor, WNP Economic Trends

24 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Conference Room 7

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Professional education, training engineers

Needs of the labour market in the context of changes in industry, IT, and the energy. Specialties and competencies that are in deficit. Education in the context of future technologies, including data usage and AI adoption. The expected changes in curricula, dual education, cooperation of universities with industry. Expertise vs. universality and flexibility. Can schools and universities educate employees whose qualifications will prove useful to a modern and rapidly changing economy?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Aneta Andruszkiewicz**, HR Director, Unibep SA
- **Anna Chrobok**, Vice-Chancellor for Student Affairs and Education, Silesian University of Technology
- **Jarosław Gracel**, President of the Management Board, ASTOR
- **Marek Gzik**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Science and Higher Education, Poland
- **Jacek Sadowski**, Director for International Business Development, Ecol Sp. z o.o.
- **Andrzej Szarata**, Rector, Cracow University of Technology

Moderated by:

- **Weronika Szkwarek**, Journalist, PulsHR.pl

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Green Planet 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Evolution of the labour market

Different forms of employment and new models of work organisation, including the 4-day week, remote and hybrid work. The growth of project-based work and the gig economy, combined with automation and AI, is changing the structure of employment. Labour costs versus the protection of workers' rights in flexible forms of employment. Which employment models best combine flexibility, productivity, and worker security? How to ensure a balance between business needs, work flexibility, and career stability?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Sylvia Biłska**, General Manager, Edenred Polska
- **Wioletta Bobryk**, Legal & Compliance Director, ABSL
- **Henryk Kiepusa**, Secretary of State, Ministry of National Education, Poland
- **Arkadiusz Krupicz**, Managing Director, Co-founder, Pyszne.pl
- **Michał Lisawa**, partner, Head of Employment Practice, Baker McKenzie
- **Tina Sobocińska**, founder & HR Strategic Advisor, HR4future

Moderated by:

- **Karolina Markowska**, Editor-in-Chief, PulsHR.pl

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m. | Conference Room 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Demography and the labour market

An ageing society and workforce shortages require extending professional activity, integrating different generations in the workplace, and ensuring career mobility. Skills aligned with new, changing needs; mentoring; preventing professional exclusion. Migration and worker mobility – aligning labour market policy with the evolving demographic structure.

Conversation 1:1:

- **Guy Standing**, Economist, Professor, SOAS University of London

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Marek Cierpiał-Wolan**, President, Statistics Poland
- **Anna Karyś-Sosińska**, Member of the Management Board, Director of the Human Resources Management Division, Budimex SA
- **Katarzyna Majewska**, President of the Management Board, PZU Życie SA
- **Guy Standing**, Economist, Professor, SOAS University of London
- **Renata Wozba**, President of the Management Board, T2S Group

Moderated by:

- **Karolina Markowska**, Editor-in-Chief, PulsHR.pl

24 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Conference Room 25

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The working, the non-working, the automated

Automation and AI are transforming the labour market – some occupations disappear, others evolve. Challenges of the digital age: reskilling and motivating employees, upskilling, flexible employment models. Human resource management in a complex work environment dominated by technology. Talent acquisition, retention, and loyalty. How to create coherent labour market strategies that account for automation, employment flexibility, and stable career paths?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Monika Chudowska**, Vice President of the Management Board, Impel Group
- **Przemysław Lewicki**, President of the Management Board, SAIO SA
- **Kacper Nosarzewski**, partner, 4CF, Member of the Management Board, Polish Society for Futures Studies
- **Damian Łukasik**, Deputy Director, Provincial Labour Office in Katowice
- **Anna Skórska**, Head, Department of Labour Market Forecasting and Analysis, University of Economics in Katowice
- **Dominika Wienchor**, Scientific Affairs Expert, Assistant Professor, Humanitas University

Moderated by:

- **Krzysztof Kiryczuk**, News Desk Secretary, Radio ZET

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Green Planet 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

University 2035

Digitalisation and innovation define the efficiency and resilience of universities, as they are expected to become participants and leaders of digital transition, help develop competencies of the future, and offer new models of training based on data, AI, and hybrid forms of education. Generative AI is changing the cognitive infrastructure of universities by challenging their monopoly on “knowledge creation”, redefining the role of the teacher and standards of evaluation, and forcing them to develop AI policies. How can a digitalisation strategy be translated into actual change in education and the way universities are managed, as they come under pressure of demographics, finance, and students' expectations?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Ryszard Koziółek**, Rector, University of Silesia in Katowice
- **Marcin Lis**, Vice-Rector for Student Affairs and Cooperation with the Environment, WSB Academy in Dąbrowa Górnicza
- **Michał Misztal**, President of the Management Board, Startup Academy
- **Alojzy Z. Nowak**, Rector, University of Warsaw, President, Innovation and Cooperation with Business Committee
- **Marek Pawełczyk**, Rector, Silesian University of Technology
- **Andrzej Szeptycki**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Science and Higher Education, Poland
- **Dorota Zaremba**, Partner, Head of SAP, KPMG Poland

Moderated by:

- **Piotr Wachowiak**, Rector, SGH Warsaw School of Economics

24 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 3.00 p.m. | Conference Room 23

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Education, security, resilience

The role of the education system in creating social resilience. The aims, methods, programmes: classes in education for security, civil education, teaching people to think critically and defend themselves against disinformation, creating emotional resilience. The potential of school communities vs. crises: responsible volunteerism, meeting or accommodation places, integration, support, social capital, source of credible information. How to plan and coordinate the use of the education system to increase the resilience of entire society?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Marek Gzik**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Science and Higher Education, Poland
- **Tomasz Miłkowski**, Retired Brigadier General of the State Protection Service, Director, Institute of Security Studies Akademia Humanitas
- **Adam Rapacki**, Chair of the Security Committee, Business Centre Club
- **Katarzyna Trynda**, Vice-Rector for Student Affairs and Education, University of Silesia in Katowice
- **Piotr Wachowiak**, Rector, SGH Warsaw School of Economics
- **Jędrzej Witkowski**, Director, Center for Citizenship Education

Moderated by:

- **Kuba Strzyczkowski**, Journalist, Radio 357

24 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Green Planet 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

50-plus employees in the labour market

Professional activity of 50-plus employees in Poland compared to Europe – where are we and where are we headed? Diminishing workforce vs. untapped potential of mature employees. What prevents employers from hiring people over the age of fifty? Mentoring, knowledge transfer, intergenerational experience. Reskilling and upskilling for mature employees. Flexible and hybrid forms of employment, ergonomics, and well-being in a workplace. State policy and action of employees: incentives, support schemes, best practice.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Kinga Fromlewicz**, business trainer, MenoEdukatorka
- **Paweł Jaroszek**, Member of the Management Board supervising the Finance and Income Realisation Division, Social Insurance Institution
- **Agnieszka Kulikowska**, managing partner, Velaris Executive Search
- **Magdalena Merk**, Community Manager, Career 50+ Professionals Community, LinkedIn
- **Monika Sikora**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Funds and Regional Policy, Poland
- **Anna Wicha**, President of the Management Board, Polskie Forum HR

Moderated by:

- **Katarzyna Domagała-Szymonek**, Journalist, PulsHR.pl

22 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. | Conference Room 8

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Migration policy

Migration as a response to demographic challenges. What sectors and industries need foreign employees the most? Ukraine, Asia, Latin America – where are they coming from and where will they come from in the future? National and EU migration policies. Procedures, stay and work permits – what requires immediate change? The assimilation of migrants: who is responsible for that and how to finance it? The society's view of migration; how to promote acceptance and prevent polarisation? The role of employers in the adaptation of foreign employees. Benefits of migrant-founded enterprises. Highly skilled migrants: how to compete for specialists in the global market? Illegal migration, illegal hiring practices, violations – how to tackle these practices without blocking the legal paths?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Piotr Głowacki**, Advisor to the President of the Republic of Poland
- **Piotr Kamiński**, Vice President of the Management Board for Finance, Employers of Poland
- **Małgorzata Kopka-Piątek**, Member of the Executive Board, Institute of Public Affairs
- **Agnieszka Kosowicz**, President, Polish Migration Forum Foundation
- **Edyta Krasoń**, Member of the Management Board, Cordis Logistics
- **Anna Papka**, Impact Director, McDonald's Poland
- **Rafał Rogala**, Director at EY, migration expert at People Advisory Services Tax, EY Poland

Moderated by:

- **Anita Błaszczak**, economic journalist, Rzeczpospolita i Parkiet

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Green Planet 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Universities for economic security and competitiveness

Why does cooperation between science and business not translate into scalable innovation — how can its potential be unleashed? From research and knowledge to implementation and product: barriers and conditions for effective synergy. Joint R&D projects as a source of advantage — scientific success and economic competitiveness. The experience of Poland in the context of international best practices. National, internal, and international security in curricula. Science in cooperation with industry — defense production as an area of innovation.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Piotr Bednarek**, Vice-Rector for Finance, Wrocław University of Economics and Business
- **Marek Gzik**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Science and Higher Education, Poland
- **Łukasz Puślecki**, Vice-Rector for External Relations, Poznań University of Economics and Business
- **Jerzy Lis**, Rector, AGH University of Krakow
- **Marek Pawełczyk**, Rector, Silesian University of Technology
- **Piotr Wachowiak**, Rector, SGH Warsaw School of Economics
- **Bernard Ziębicki**, Rector, University of Economics in Kraków

Moderated by:

- **Celina M. Olszak**, Rector, University of Economics in Katowice

23 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. | Conference Room 25

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Build and fail: the culture of entrepreneurship

Is a culture of courage, experimentation, and risk-taking possible to cultivate in Poland? Barriers to entrepreneurship in Poland: mindset, education, regulations. Fear of risk and the stigma of failure – how to overcome them? Entrepreneurship education: how to teach young people to build businesses through action? The role of investors, mentors, and experienced founders. Systemic support or systemic obstacles – what needs to change in the legal and institutional environment? Is Poland ready for its own version of an entrepreneurial culture?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Adam Janczewski**, Founder, President, Jutro Medica
- **Stanisław Kastory**, Managing Partner, Expeditions Fund
- **Alina Landowska**, Department of Strategy and International Business, Kozminski University
- **Piotr Lazarek**, Founder & CEO, Nirby Solutions
- **Jarosław Sroka**, Member of the Management Board, KI Next
- **Kamil Tomkowicz**, President, Our Future Foundation

Moderated by:

- **Paweł Sołtys**, Journalist, Radio357, XYZ

24 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Ballroom C

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Humans and transformation: the digital generation

The young generation as the first fully digital – strengths, opportunities, and threats. How to adapt education and regulations so technology empowers rather than excludes? Skills of the future: programming, critical thinking, creativity, collaboration – what should young people learn? AI in education – opportunities, risks, controversies. Young people in the labour market: how to prepare graduates to work with technology? Digital exclusion of the youth – a deficit of skills for conscious use of technology. Regulations protecting young users: online safety, data protection, transparency. How to design technologies and policies so that young people become active agents of transformation?

Conversation 2:1(20'): Start-ups:

- **Antoni Kałuża**, Member of the Management Board, Econvert Foundation
- **Oliwia Myczkowska**, President, Founder, Bee Healthy Honey

Conversation 2:1(20'): Technologies:

- **Weronika Chmielewska**, President, Founder, Risewave Foundation
- **Wiktoria Mięksiak**, President of the Board, 'Wyciskarka Potencjału' Foundation

Entrepreneurship:

- **Olga Kotyk**, President, Founder, WEB-KORKI Foundation
- **Amelia Krysiak**, CEO, She Masters Leadership Foundation

Education:

- **Wojciech Sieradzan**, Member of the Management Board, Our Future Foundation
- **Weronika Tomiak**, President, Founder, Neuroróżnorodni Foundation

Moderated by:

- **Mirella Panek-Owsiańska**, Director for International Affairs of the EEC, PTWP Group

24 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Ballroom C

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Debate of the Youth – Work, Activism, Competences

A generation coming of age in times of permanent uncertainty. Attitudes, expectations, and concerns of young people. Is the Polish education system keeping up with the world? What is missing from school curricula? Future skills: entrepreneurship, critical thinking, resilience. First contact with the labour market. Flexibility or stability – what do young people expect from employers? Resilience and the art of adaptation – where can they learn it? Agency of the youth: do they have a real influence on decisions about their future? Participation in public policies. Youth organizations, activism, volunteering – where do young people seek influence? Intergenerational dialogue: what would young people change if they could?

Conversation:

- **Filip Hornik**, Social Activist for Youth Participation and Civic Education, Akcja Uczniowska

Conversation:

- **Kacper Kwiecień**, Plenipotentiary of the Mayor of Katowice for Youth Affairs
- **Martyna Łuszczek**, Technology Innovator; Forbes "25 Under 25" Award Winner

Conversation:

- **Julia Wojciechowska**, President, Zryw Foundation
- **Oliwia Aziz**, President of the Management Board, #niezamłodzi Foundation

Conversation:

- **Wiktoria Nowak**, Founder, Genboost, Next Generation Champion of Poland ABSL

- **Kacper Nowicki**, Founder, Varia Posnania Foundation, Member of the Management, Stowarzyszenie Wspólne Jutro

Moderated by:

- **Mirella Panek-Owsiańska**, Director for International Affairs of the EEC, PTWP Group

24 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 3.00 p.m. | Ballroom C

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

EEC Talks. Youth and the future

A series of conversations with young activists – representatives of social organizations. Education, resilience, the labour market, agency – the voice of those on whom the future depends.

Social projects and preparation for entering the labour market. Talent for democracy – with a focus on public service. Civic education. Last call for climate! How to educate young leaders? Does Polish diplomacy need a reset?

Conversation:

- **Marcin Bruszewski**, President of the Management Board, 'Zwolnieni z Teorii' Foundation

Conversation:

- **Bartłomiej Kot**, dyrektor warszawskiego biura, Aspen Institute CE

Conversation:

- **Magdalena Tchórznicza**, President of the Management Board, School for Leaders, Warsaw

Conversation:

- **Katarzyna Małkus**, Representative, Forum Młodych Dyplomatów

Conversation:

- **Natalia Schmidt-Polończyk**, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Civil Engineering and Resource Management, AGH University of Cracow

Conversation:

- **Joanna Sadzik**, President of the Management Board, WIOSNA Association

Conversation:

- **Wojciech Sierdzan**, Member of the Management, Our Future Foundation

Moderated by:

- **Karolina Markowska**, Editor-in-Chief, PulsHR.pl

TRACK: LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Spodek Stage 1

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This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The future of metropolitan areas

Challenges for major cities in the new EU programming period. Priority investment areas versus local development strategies. The role of metropolitan areas as engines of growth but also... centres of social and environmental tensions. Interdependence between cities and functional areas; the need for a new model of territorial governance. EU funds as a development instrument; preparing local governments for the new financing system after 2027.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Daniel Beger**, Mayor of Świętochłowice
- **Maciej Fijałkowski**, Secretary of City of Warsaw
- **Marcin Krupa**, Mayor of Katowice

Moderated by:

- **Robert Krzysztofik**, Director, Institute of Social and Economic Geography and Spatial Management, Faculty of Natural Sciences, University of Silesia in Katowice

24 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 3.00 p.m. | Ballroom B

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Municipal companies and utilities

The role of municipal companies in local and regional economies. Management models and ownership supervision. Cooperation and competition between the public and private sectors. Key areas of collaboration – energy, waste, water, transport, heating, housing. Public-private projects with the greatest potential. Increasing efficiency while maintaining a public-service mission.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Arkadiusz Chęciński**, Mayor of Sosnowiec
- **Zbigniew Gieleciak**, President of the Management Board, District Chamber of Industry and Commerce in Tychy, President of the Management Board, Regional Center for Water and Sewage Management in Tychy

- **Maciej Gramatyka**, Mayor of Tychy
- **Beata Halama**, President of the Management Board, Wodociągi Ziemi Cieszyńskiej Sp. z o.o.
- **Andrzej Holda**, President of the Management Board, General Director, Katowickie Inwestycje
- **Jacek Karnowski**, State Secretary, Ministry of Funds and Regional Policy, Poland
- **Marian Łyko**, President of the Management Board, Municipal Heating Company in Krakow
- **Bogumił Sobula**, Deputy Mayor of Katowice

Moderated by:

- **Piotr Toborek**, Journalist, PortalSamorządowy.pl

24 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Conference Room 7

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Education at the local government level

Staffing and financial crises in schools – how are local governments coping? The adequacy of the subsidy system versus real costs – the need for reform. The structure and maintenance costs of educational infrastructure in the context of demographic forecasts. Flexible financing of education and the quality of teaching. The education system in the face of contemporary challenges and dynamic change – is the current structure effective?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Grzegorz Cichy**, Mayor of Proszowice, President, Union of Polish Towns
- **Anna Grygierek**, Mayor of Strumień; Vice-Chair, The Union of Rural Communes of the Republic of Poland
- **Małgorzata Kern**, Treasurer of the City of Gliwice, Chairwoman of the Board, National Council of Local Government Treasurers' Forums
- **Marek Pleśniar**, Managing Director, National Association of Management Staff in Education
- **Magdalena Radwan-Röhrenscheff**, expert, Educational Research Institute – National Research Institute
- **Sebastian Skuza**, economist, professor of the University of Warsaw, Secretary of State, Ministry of Finance, Poland 2020-2023

Moderated by:

- **Bogdan Bugdalski**, Journalist, PortalSamorządowy.pl

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Green Planet 4

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Mobility and infrastructure

Congestion, noise, and urban space degradation. How do cities reconcile rising transport needs with climate goals and residents' quality of life? Shortcomings in planning that integrates road, rail, cycling, and pedestrian networks, as well as infrastructure for electric vehicles. Lack of stable and predictable investment financing. The "15-minute city" concept – difficult to implement.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Jan Christoph Harder**, President Region West and North, Škoda Group
- **Lucjan Dec**, Director, Department of Communication and Transport, Metropolis GZM (Upper Silesian-Zagłębie Metropolis)
- **Stanisław Mazur**, First Deputy Mayor of Kraków
- **Andrzej Nowakowski**, Mayor of Płock
- **Katarzyna Sobótka**, eMobility expert
- **Robert Tomanek**, professor, University of Economics in Katowice, ESG expert, Ecogreen
- **Adam Wojtowicz**, Vice President of the Management Board for Finance, Koleje Śląskie Sp. z o.o.

Moderated by:

- **Piotr Wiewióra**, Journalist, PortalSamorządowy.pl

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Green Planet 4

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Sustainable public transport

Transport in the face of the EU climate policy – regulatory challenges posed by decarbonisation efforts vs. system effectiveness and social mobility. The growing number of private cars increases emissions and air pollution. How do cities manage this pressure? Investment and the promotion of public and bicycle transport. Examples of good practices (clean transport zones, integrated fares, bus electrification). Financial and legal instruments supporting urban investment in sustainable mobility.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Grzegorz Boski**, Deputy Marshal of the Silesian Voivodeship
- **Bartosz Burek**, CEO, jakdojade.pl
- **Maciej Stachura**, Deputy Mayor of Katowice
- **Tomasz Wojtkiewicz**, General Manager Nordic & CEE, Grupa Nextbike

Moderated by:

- **Mikołaj Kunica**, Editor-in-Chief, Business insider

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Conference Room 23

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Finances and investment in local governments

The consequence of changes in the tax law in the years 2019-2022 and their impact on revenues achieved by local government. The stability and predictability of money transfers vs. the possibility of planning investment. How can local governments effectively manage their limited budgets? Investment priorities: education, transport, digitalisation, health. Multiannual planning, rationalisation of expenses and financial stability in a rapidly changing tax regime. Utilizing European funds. What systemic change in the Act on the Revenues of Local Government Units is expected by local governments?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Paweł Felis**, Capital Markets and Behavioural Finance Unit, SGH Warsaw School of Economics
- **Danuta Lange**, Treasurer of the City of Katowice
- **Julita Łukomska**, Deputy Director, National Institute of Local Government
- **Tomasz Miśko**, First Deputy Mayor of Stalowa Wola
- **Wojciech Ostrowski**, Treasurer of the City of Płock
- **Katarzyna Rydlewska**, Deputy Director, Development Department, EIB SA
- **Jacek Wojciechowicz**, Mayor of Racibórz

Moderacja:

- **Aneta Kaczmarek**, Editor-in-Chief, PortalSamorządowy.pl

24 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Conference Room 8

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Resilient city – security in times of crisis

Extreme weather events and geopolitical instability are increasing the risk of crises. How can climate adaptation be combined with the protection of critical infrastructure, energy and cyber security, and preparedness for military threats? The modernisation of networks, energy decentralisation, the upgrading and reinforcement of buildings, business continuity planning, and cooperation between local governments, public administration and emergency services as the foundations of urban resilience.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Maciej Biskupski**, Vice-Chairman of the Management Board, Metropolis GZM (Upper Silesian-Zagłębie Metropolis)
- **Sergiusz Parszowski**, President, Founder, think tank "Security Observatory"
- **Martin Stysiak**, Public Affairs Manager, PLAY
- **Marek Wójcik**, Governor of Silesia
- **Urszula Zielińska**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Climate and Environment

Moderated by:

- **Tomasz Klyta**, Editor, PortalSamorządowy.pl

24 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Conference Room 8

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Civil defence

Civil protection and civil defence: what should a new, efficient system look like – one that is adequate to current and future threats? From response plans to continuity planning – where are we now? Lessons from the war in Ukraine, practices from other European countries. Local and regional partnerships in crisis situations. Responsibilities of local governments in planning, education, and infrastructure. Use of new technologies to build local resilience; education and counteracting disinformation.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Zofia Kwolek**, Head of External Relations, Board Member, Polish Center for International Aid
- **Radosław Wnuk**, First Deputy Mayor of Chełm
- **Marek Wójcik**, Governor of Silesia

Moderated by:

- **Bogusław Chrabota**, Rzeczpospolita, Vice President, Polish Chamber of Press Publishers, Vice President, European Newspapers Publishers Association

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Conference Room 6

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Decentralisation

How could local governments regain self-reliance, independence and agency that they have lost in recent years? Mood for decentralisation. What competencies of central government could be devolved to local government? The impact of devolution on the quality of public services, the time of response to the needs of citizens, and the possibility of local governments shaping their own reality. Flexibility and management efficiency on the local level in an unstable reality in terms of public health, finance, culture, and information technology development.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Szymon Michałek**, Mayor of Chorzów
- **Małgorzata Myśliwiec**, Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Silesia in Katowice
- **Michał Pierończyk**, Mayor of Ruda Śląska
- **Arkadiusz Ptak**, Mayor of Pleszew
- **Marcin Smala**, Vice President of the Management Board, Jerzy Regulski Foundation in Support of Local Democracy
- **Jerzy Stępień**, Director, Institute of Civil Space and Social Policy, Lazarski University, Retired Judge of the Constitutional Tribunal

Moderated by:

- **Agnieszka Widera-Ciochoń**, Editorial Secretary, PortalSamorządowy.pl, WNP.PL

24 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Conference Room 23

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Local government, enterprise, expansion

The role of enterprise in local development programs and the potential and possibilities of smaller companies on international markets. Dialogue between administration and representatives of entrepreneurs in practice – the key matters. What can regional authorities, local government, central institutions and economic diplomacy do to support SMEs? Identifying needs and barriers – available schemes and tools. The role of e-commerce platforms; how to exceed the entry threshold?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Paweł Panczyj**, Member of the Management Board, Partnerships and Strategy, ABSL
- **Adam Pustelnik**, Deputy Mayor of Łódź
- **Mateusz Rykała**, President of the Management Board, Upper Silesian Fund
- **Jarosław Makowski**, Deputy Mayor of Katowice
- **Tomasz Zjawiony**, President, Regional Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Katowice

Moderated by:

- **Dominika Sikora**, Editor-in-Chief, WNP Economic Trends

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Ballroom B

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

TOP Investments 2026. Local Government Portal Awards in a new format

Along with its anniversary, the Top Investments competition is entering a new phase — the word “municipal” is being dropped from its name. This change is not merely cosmetic. It emphasizes a broader view of investments carried out by local governments: as projects that not only respond to the needs of residents, but also have a real impact on the investment allure of cities and regions, the competitiveness of the local economy, and the quality of cooperation with entrepreneurs.

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Conference Room 7

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Regions in transformation

An international perspective on profound changes in the energy sector – their long-term effects and social and developmental context. Experiences of European regions in the process of energy transition. Programmes, directions and models of change, tools and examples of lasting results. Changes in the labour market, investments and modernisation, new opportunities and possibilities. The role of partnerships and international cooperation in building a modern, low-emission economy.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Jerzy Buzek**, Member of the European Parliament, President of the European Parliament from 2009 to 2012, Prime Minister from 1997 to 2001, President of the EEC Council
- **Alicja Krzemień**, President, European Association of Coal and Lignite - EURACOAL, Head, Laboratory of Risk Assessment and Safety in Industry, Department of Exploitation Technology, Rockbursts and Risk Assessment, Central Mining Institute - National Research Institute
- **Pedro Riesgo Fernandez**, University of Oviendo
- **Jean-Paul Mulo**, Member of the Hauts-de-France Regional Council
- **Leszek Pietraszek**, Deputy Marshal of the Silesian Voivodeship
- **Vadym Tabakera**, Director of the Department of Economic Policy, Lviv Regional State Administration
- **David Warren**, Head of International Relations, Welsh Government

Moderated by:

- **Arkadiusz Biernat**, Journalist, Dziennik Zachodni

TRACK: HEALTH CARE

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Multifunctional Room 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Health: the future of the system

How can system stability be ensured in conditions of limited financial resources and dynamically changing patient needs, in the context of an increasingly complex geopolitical situation? In what direction will reforms and political decisions go in order to effectively respond to patient expectations on the one hand, and meet new systemic challenges on the other? Will it be possible to maintain the current model of the system, or will a thorough overhaul be necessary—and who will decide on its shape?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Artur Białkowski**, President of the Management Board, Medicover, President of the Management Board, Private Employers of Medicine
- **Piotr Czauderna**, Social Advisor to the President of Poland, Chair of the Presidential Health Council, Head of Department of Surgery and Urology for Children and Adolescents, Medical University of Gdańsk
- **Anna Rulkiewicz**, President, LUX MED Group, President, Employers for Health Association, First Vice-President, Lewiatan Confederation
- **Jolanta Sobierańska-Grenda**, Minister of Health, Poland
- **Adam Szlachta**, Chairman of the Board, American Heart of Poland Group and Scanmed
- **Sebastian Szymanek**, President of the Management Board, Polpharma SA
- **Renata Wachowicz**, CEO, Prof. K. Gibiński University Clinical Center, Silesian Medical University in Katowice

Moderated by:

- **Klara Klinger**, Editor-in-Chief, Rynek Zdrowia

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. – 1.00 p.m. | Multifunctional Room 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Pharmaceutical industry: medicines, prices, innovation

Ensuring access to medicines at affordable prices requires both supply security and support for the domestic pharmaceutical industry. Introducing innovative therapies and adapting EU regulations are key to maintaining competitiveness and market stability. How can innovation be reconciled with affordability and secure pharmaceutical supply chains?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Michał Byliniak**, General Director Employers' Association of Innovative Pharmaceutical Companies INFARMA
- **Karolina Demus**, President of the Management Board, Sandoz Polska
- **Tomasz Han**, Vice-President of the Management Board, Hasco-Lek SA
- **Krzysztof Kopeć**, President of the Management Board, Polish Association of Pharmaceutical Industry Employers – National Drug Producers, Vice President of the LEWIATAN Confederation, Member of the Management Board, Medicines for Europe
- **Mateusz Oczkowski**, Director, Department of Drug Policy and Pharmacy, Ministry of Health, Poland
- **Łukasz Pietrzak**, Chief Pharmaceutical Inspector, Chief Pharmaceutical Inspectorate
- **Zuzana Remrová**, Vice President of the Management Board, General Director, GSK Polska

Moderated by:

- **Luiza Jakubiak**, Managing Editor, Pharmacy, RynekZdrowia.pl

24 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Conference Room 24

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Hospitals – efficiency and organisation

Hospitals face the challenge of using resources, equipment, and staff efficiently amid a rising number of procedures. Integrating digitalisation, logistics, and process management is becoming essential to improve service quality and reduce operational costs. How can growing patient expectations be reconciled with infrastructure and budget limitations?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Marcin Bruszewski**, President of the Management Board, Innovaris
- **Paweł Kaźmierczak**, Member of the Board, American Heart of Poland Group and Scanmed
- **Magdalena Kuncewicz**, Director, Independent Public Healthcare Center of the Ministry of Interior and Administration prof. Ludwik Bierkowski
- **Mariusz Nowak**, Director, Stanisław Sakiel Burn Treatment Centre in Siemianowice Śląskie
- **Piotr Nowicki**, Director, Institute of Psychiatry and Neurology
- **Edyta Taracha-Szewczyk**, Director, Specialist Hospital in Chorzów

- **Krzysztof Zaczek**, President of the Management Board, Szpital Murcki, Vice President of the Board, Association of County Hospitals of the Silesian Voivodeship

Moderated by:

- **Piotr Wróbel**, Journalist, Rynek Zdrowia

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Multifunctional Room 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Health and the patient

The patient at the centre of the healthcare system – a need for coordinated care resulting from the increasing prevalence of lifestyle diseases. Cardiovascular diseases, diabetes and other morbidities requiring continuous treatment, prophylaxis, and monitoring therapy results. Key challenges: integrating the activity of primary care, outpatient, and inpatient hospital care, increasing preventive efforts and improving early diagnostics capabilities. How to build a system where a chronically ill patient receives coordinated care that is concentrated on their needs?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Marci Czech**, Head of Department of Pharmacoeconomics, Institute of Mother and Child, Lecturer, Warsaw University of Technology, Member of the Scientific Council, National Program for Combating Infectious Diseases
- **Agnieszka Gorgoń-Komor**, Senator of the Republic of Poland, Deputy Chairman of the Health Committee
- **Konrad Korbiński**, General Director, Ministry of Health, Poland
- **Konrad Madejczyk**, Director of the Cooperation Department, Press Spokesperson, Office of the Ombudsman for Patients
- **Sebastian Majewski**, Clinical Department of Pneumology, Medical University of Lodz, Member of the Main Board, Chairman of the Łódź Branch, Polish Respiratory Society
- **Krystian Wita**, Voivodeship Cardiology Consultant for the Silesian Voivodeship, Deputy Director of the Medical Services, Head of the Cardiac Intensive Care Unit, Upper Silesian Medical Centre, Medical University of Silesia in Katowice
- **Edward Wylęgała**, Head, Clinical Department of Ophthalmology with a Subdepartment of Pediatric Ophthalmology, District Railway Hospital in Katowice, Voivodeship Ophthalmology Consultant

Moderated by:

- **Dominika Pietrzyk**, Journalist, Rzeczpospolita, zdrowie.rp.pl

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Multifunctional Room 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Financing health care

In order to function effectively, the healthcare system requires stable sources of financing, optimal funds allocation, investment in medical innovations and digitalisation, and mechanisms allowing to monitor the cost of health benefits. Among the key challenges are the increasing costs of treatment, shortage of medical personnel, indebted hospitals, unequal access to healthcare, and the needs of the ageing society. Can financing, organisational and technological strategies ensure sustainable financing, high effectiveness of the system, and access to health benefits to all patients in Poland?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Aleksander Kwieciński**, General Director, AbbVie Poland
- **Paweł Łangowski**, Public Affairs Director, Medicover, Member of the Management Board, Private Employers of Medicine
- **Klaudia Rogowska**, Director, Upper Silesian Medical Center named after Prof. Leszek Giec of the Silesian Medical University in Katowice
- **Daniel Rutkowski**, President, Agency for Health Technology Assessment and Tariff System
- **Małgorzata Sobotka-Gałązka**, Dean, Łazarski Executive Education, Director, Institute of Healthcare Management, Łazarski University, Expert, Employers of Poland
- **Adam Szlachta**, Chairman of the Board, American Heart of Poland Group and Scanmed
- **Barbara Więckowska**, Chief Health Economist, Director, Department of Analyses and Strategy, Ministry of Health, Poland

Moderated by:

- **Emilia Grzela**, Journalist, Rynek Zdrowia

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Multifunctional Room 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Biotechnology and innovations

The achievements, position, and potential of innovative biotechnological and manufacturing companies (biopharmaceuticals, bioactive supplements, medical products). The food and bioactive industries as sources of

health innovations. The marriage between science and business; financing. How to support the development of solutions in the field of medicine and biotechnology? Export and internationalisation: medical technologies in the global market.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Szymon Borucki**, President, Polmlek Trading
- **Łukasz Durajski**, Department of Family Medicine, Medical University of Warsaw, President, Polish Telemedicine Society, expert in vaccinology and travel medicine
- **Krzysztof Gulda**, President of the Management Board, Polish Agency for Enterprise Development
- **Anna Kowalczyk**, President of the Management Board, Medical Research Agency
- **Tomasz Maciejewski**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Health, Poland
- **Marta Winiarska**, President of the Management Board, Managing Director, Polish Union of Innovative Medical Biotechnology Companies BioInMed

Moderated by:

- **Luiza Jakubiak**, Managing Editor, Pharmacy, RynekZdrowia.pl

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m. | Multifunctional Room 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Health, economy, competitiveness

Health as a sector of the economy and a source of long-term growth. Health – cost or investment? Healthy population = healthy economy. The health capital of society vs. Europe's productivity and competitiveness. Investments in health: digital services, silver economy, medtech, digitalisation, AI. Health as a domain of private and public investment and a competitive market. The role of the state: the legislator, investor, and guarantor of equal access to the market of health and health services. Stable legal framework, financing, private-public partnership, the insurance market.

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- **Katarzyna Anna Kacperczyk**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Health, Poland
- **Dominika Pietrzyk**, Journalist, Rzeczpospolita, zdrowie.rp.pl

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Artur Bialkowski**, President of the Management Board, Medicover, President of the Management Board, Private Employers of Medicine
- **Michał Byliniak**, General Director Employers' Association of Innovative Pharmaceutical Companies INFARMA
- **Krzysztof Kępiński**, Director of External Relations, Member of the Management Board, GSK Commercial Sp. z o.o.
- **Marcin Mikos**, Member of the Management Board, PZU Zdrowie SA
- **Ramez Mohsen-Fawzi**, Managing Director, Johnson & Johnson Innovative Medicine Central Europe & Baltics
- **Paweł Wojciechowski**, President of the Management Board, Institute of Public Finance, Minister of Finance 2006, Poland
- **Sandra Zimmerman**, Head of Scientific Dialogue, Wifor Institute

Moderated by:

- **Dominika Pietrzyk**, Journalist, Rzeczpospolita, zdrowie.rp.pl

22 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m - 6.00 p.m. | Multifunctional Room 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The impact of Europe's health on its safety

The ability of the EU member states to maintain the operation of their healthcare systems in a crisis. Sovereignty in healthcare – its insufficiency threatens the stability of state and the market. How to provide long-term access to critical medicines, vaccines, medical products and technologies, regardless of global geopolitical and logistic disruptions? Limiting Europe's dependence on imports, European manufacturing and R&D capabilities as an element of industrial policy. Modern healthcare – resilience of the system: telehealth, processes automation and digital data management. Are we ready to use technologies and innovations to protect the healthcare system against future crises?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Małgorzata Bogusz**, President of the Management Board, Institute for the Development of Social Affairs, European Economic and Social Committee, CCMi Delegate - Consultative Commission on Industrial Change
- **Piotr Czauderna**, Social Advisor to the President of Poland, Chair of the Presidential Health Council, Head, Department of Surgery and Urology for Children and Adolescents, Medical University of Gdańsk
- **Katarzyna Dubno**, Public Affairs, ESG & Market Access Director at Adamed Pharma SA
- **Grzegorz Gielera**, Director, Military Medical Institute

- **Adam Jarubas**, Member of the European Parliament, Chairman, Committee on Public Health, European Parliament
 - **Katarzyna Anna Kacperczyk**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Health, Poland
 - **Jacek Siewiera**, LtCol (Res.) of the Polish Armed Forces, Expert, Atlantic Council, Head of the National Security Bureau of Poland 2022-2025
 - **Tomasz Grzywnowicz**, Chief Commercial Officer, TZF Polfa SA
- Moderated by:
- **Patryk Słowik**, Editor-in-Chief, zero.pl

24 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 3.00 p.m. | Conference Room 24

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Remuneration in healthcare

Salaries in healthcare – between system stability and employees' expectations. Law vs. financial reality: the limit on pay rises in a crisis. Salaries in healthcare are perceived to be part of the system's problem: has the act on salaries fulfilled its role? Salaries from the perspective of hospital directors: management under regulatory pressure. The role of the ministry of health: regulator, mediator, or a side in the conflict?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Jakub Kraszewski**, CEO, University Clinical Centre (UCC) in Gdansk
- **Maria Ochman**, Chair, National Secretariat for Healthcare, NSZZ Solidarność
- **Krystyna Ptok**, President, Nationwide Trade Union of Nurses and Midwives
- **Marcin Rusiniak**, Director, Fryderyk Chopin University Clinical Hospital in Rzeszów

Moderated by:

- **Agata Szczepańska**, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Rynek Zdrowia

24 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Conference Room 24

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Hospital consolidation

Local government as initiator, owner, and coordinator of consolidation processes. Impact of consolidation decisions on service availability and health security. Consolidation practice: proposals for hospitals in difficult financial situations, considering reducing the number of wards or transforming them. Assumptions and aspects of recovery plans. Legal and financial frameworks for consolidation – what do local governments expect from the state? How to avoid shifting risks onto local authorities? Indicators of a successful process: efficiency, quality, and continuity of services.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Anna Gil**, Director, Healthcare Center in Końskie
- **Adam Koziarkiewicz**, EIB Advisory, European Investment Bank Group in Poland
- **Jarosław Maroszek**, Director, J. Gromkowski Regional Specialist Hospital in Wrocław
- **Michał Misiura**, Deputy Director, Department of Medical Care, Ministry of Health, Poland
- **Marta Nowacka**, President of the Management Board, Association of County Hospitals of the Silesian Voivodeship
- **Bernadeta Skóbel**, legal counsel, Association of Polish Counties
- **Jerzy Szafranowicz**, Deputy Director, Office Organization Department, Marshal's Office of the Silesian Voivodeship

Moderated by:

- **Klara Klinger**, Editor-in-Chief, Rynek Zdrowia

TRACK: FOOD INDUSTRY

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Conference Room 4

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Food security

The pillars of food security in the context of external threats and the complex conditions of agricultural production and processing. Changes in the agricultural sector as a response to crises. Local supply chains. The role of public administration: reserve systems, support for food production. Trade, distribution, logistics. Competitiveness of the food sector, exports, and European cooperation for security.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Marcin Celejewski**, President of the Management Board, Grupa Azoty SA
- **Agnieszka Galewska**, Member of the Management Board, National Food Industry Group
- **Piotr Grzonkowski**, CEO of the Food & Agri Business Line, LipCo Foods Group, Vice President of the Management Board, SuperDrob, CEO, Łukpasz
- **Łukasz Kalinowski**, President of the Management Board, OSM Piątnica

- **Monika Piątkowska**, Senator of the Republic of Poland, President, Polish Grain and Feed Chamber
- **Joanna Zgorzelska**, Deputy Director of the Corporate Clients Office, Alfa Brokers

Moderated by:

- **Adam Tubilewicz**, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, portalspozywczy.pl

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Conference Room 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Polish food on the global market

Poland as the heart of the agri-food sector in Central and Eastern Europe – the growing presence of domestic producers in export markets, the expansion of Polish brands, and market consolidation in the region; challenges related to maintaining competitiveness amid rising production costs, inflationary pressure, and energy constraints. The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Grzegorz Kozieja**, Director, Department of the Sustainable Business Development, Bank BNP Paribas
- **Adam Mokrysz**, President of the Management Board, Mokate Group
- **Tadeusz Mroczkowski**, President of the Management Board, SM Mlekpól
- **Robert Wawro**, COO, Maspex
- **Hubert Woźniak**, President of the Management Board, Rajpol Sp. z o.o.

Moderated by:

- **Natalia Janus**, Journalist, portalspozywczy.pl

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Conference Room 4

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Climate change and agriculture

Droughts, floods, and extreme weather events are having an increasing impact on crop yields and food prices. Trends and innovations helpful in adapting to change: regenerative and precision agriculture, digital farm management systems, crop and soil monitoring using data collection systems, optimization of field work, solutions to reduce the use of fertilizers and plant protection products. Availability of new technologies, knowledge transfer, and opportunities to implement innovative solutions on domestic farms. The new shape of the CAP. Regenerative agriculture. Does Poland have a strategy for adapting agriculture to the climate realities of the coming decades? Climate challenges and agricultural production efficiency in terms of food security.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Małgorzata Bojańczyk**, General Director, Polish Crop Protection Association (PSOR)
- **Grzegorz Brodziak**, President of the Management Board, Goodvalley Agro SA
- **Adam Jurczyk**, Farmer
- **Agata Kruszec**, Sustainability Manager, Nestlé Polska
- **Paweł Wakor**, Government and Industry Affairs Manager CEE, Corteva Agriscience Poland Sp. z o.o.

Moderated by:

- **Anna Kobus**, Head of the Agrotechnics Department, farmer.pl

23 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m. – 6.00 p.m. | Conference Room 4

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Agricultural production – relations in the value chain

Polish agriculture at a turning point. Rising production costs, unstable purchase prices, regulatory pressure, and disparities between primary and retail markets create tensions across the entire value chain. How to build a fairer and more sustainable system in which every participant – farmer, processor, and retailer – gains stability, and Poland maintains its position as a regional leader in the agri-food sector?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Paweł Gaca**, President of the Management Board, Spółdzielcza Mleczarnia Spomlek
- **Zbigniew Kaszuba**, farmer, Stowarzyszenia Plantatorów Ziemińska
- **Mirosław Maliszewski**, Member of the Polish Parliament, Chair, Parliamentary Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development
- **Tomasz Nawrocki**, Deputy President, Agency for the Restructuring and Modernisation of Agriculture
- **Agnieszka Sarkowicz**, President of the Management Board, Synthos AGRO
- **Marek Wigier**, Director, Institute of Agricultural and Food Economics - National Research Institute
- **Józef Wiśniewski**, President of the Management Board, Wipasz SA

Moderated by:

- **Iwona Dyba**, Editor-in-Chief, farmer.pl

TRACK: RETAIL

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m. | Lower Lobby Stage

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This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Retail 2030

Megatrends and new business models in retail. Macroeconomic and local factors influencing retail and e-commerce around the year 2030: urbanisation, demographics, climate, geopolitics. Trends and models of sales and distribution: omnichannel, social commerce, quick deliveries and subscriptions, AI agent as the middleman. How do companies respond to megatrends in order to gain competitive advantage?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Daniel Blumczyński**, Member of the Management Board, PayU SA
- **Tomasz Ciapała**, Founder, President of the Management Board, G8 SA
- **Kacper Nosarzewski**, partner, 4CF, Member of the Management Board, Polish Society for Futures Studies
- **Marcin Póchlopek**, VP, Customer Growth & Demand, Allegro
- **Alexandre Saussard**, President of the Management Board, Auchan Poland
- **Rafał Zakrzewski**, CEO, 8a.pl

Moderated by:

- **Edyta Kochlewska**, Editor-in-Chief, dlahandlu.pl

22 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m - 6.00 p.m. | Lower Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Consumer 3.0 – emotions, data, loyalty

The current model of retail as a creative response to changing needs and preferences of new generations of consumers (Z, Alfa, Silver). This trend encompasses purchasing psychology, personalised experience and purchase protection, winning consumer loyalty, and the impact of automation and algorithms on purchases. Purchases of tomorrow: between convenience and climate sensitivity. Customer experience – how can the use of emotions, data, and automation define the future of relationships with the consumer?

Conversation 1:1(10'):

- **Tomasz Chróśtny**, President, Office of Competition and Consumer Protection
- **Edyta Kochlewska**, Editor-in-Chief, dlahandlu.pl

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Beata Burchard**, Regional E-Commerce Manager Consumer Brands Professional, Henkel Polska
- **Tomasz Chróśtny**, President, Office of Competition and Consumer Protection
- **Wojciech Łuczak**, Director Strategy, M&A, Business Development, E.ON Polska SA
- **Dominika Maison**, professor UW, Ph.D., Head of Department of Business Psychology and Social Innovations, University of Warsaw, President & Chief Science Partner, Maison & Partners
- **Marta Nagot**, Central Europe Market Strategy and Deployment Director, Mars Pet Nutrition
- **Robert Orszulak**, owner, ON LEMON
- **Aleksandra Wierzbą**, Corporate Affairs Representative, PepsiCo

Moderated by:

- **Donata Chruściel**, Journalist, portalspozywczy.pl

23 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m. – 6.00 p.m. Conference Room 24

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

E-commerce, technologies, logistics

The key role of efficient infrastructure: modern warehouses, processes automation, quick deliveries, innovative payments, using data and AI to optimise customer journey and operations. What sort of activity in terms of infrastructure and technology would allow retailers to meet the needs of consumers and rapidly developing e-commerce?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Marek Balawejder**, Member of the Management Board for Consumers and Products, ORLEN SA
- **Przemysław Biedrzycki**, New Vertical Lead Poland, Pyszne.pl
- **Marcin Czyczerski**, Co-founder, Managing Partner, GCG Partners, Vice-President of the Supervisory Board, CCC SA, Member of the Supervisory Board, Esotiq & Henderson SA
- **Jakub Dwernicki**, Founder, President of the management Board, cyber_Folks SA
- **Sebastian Kaczmarek**, Head of Customer Fulfilment Poland & Managing Director, IKEA Retail
- **Patrycja Sass-Staniszevska**, President of the Management Board, Chamber of Digital Economy
- **Tomasz Żołnierz**, Head of New Business, PayU SA

Moderated by:

- **Ewa Wysocka**, founder, President of the Management Board, Tribe47

24 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Lower Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Retail, expansion, competition

E-commerce and marketplace: a lower entry barrier to global markets offer opportunities to smaller enterprises, among them exporters and providers of services. An extent of digitalisation allowing to become a meaningful link in the global chain of value. Best practice of the leaders of “new expansion” – how to utilize it? Green retail: sustainable growth in retail, global inequality and the opportunities to bridge it. Brands of the future – how are they made? Emotions, values, loyalty.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Waldemar Hlebowicz**, President of the Management Board, Orlen Paczka
- **Katarzyna Kazior**, Member of the Supervisory Board, Benefit Systems SA
- **Joanna Kwiatkowska**, Vice CEO, Sales Director, Co-founder, Kubota SA
- **Iwona Pik**, President of the Management Board, Krosno Glass SA
- **Elisabet Ricart Roig**, General Manager, Glovo Poland

Moderated by:

- **Piotr Mazurkiewicz**, Economic Journalist, Rzeczpospolita

TRACK: HUMAN, DEVELOPMENT, BALANCE

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Conference Room 4

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Strategic philanthropy

How to build a new philanthropic ecosystem and strengthen the role of business leaders in supporting civil society. The role of corporate foundations. Global trends in philanthropy. Measuring social impact – tools and indicators. The impact of succession on private philanthropy and corporate social engagement. Strategic philanthropy in the face of major social challenges – climate, inequality, education. Building a cooperation ecosystem between the private, public, and NGO sectors.

1x1 Conversation:

- **Andrej Kiska**, philanthropist, entrepreneur, President of Slovakia (2014–2019)
- **Mirella Panek-Owsiańska**, Director for International Affairs of the EEC, PTWP Group

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Michał Braun**, Director, National Freedom Institute - Centre for Civil Society Development
- **Joanna Gajda-Wróblewska**, Head, BNP Paribas Foundation
- **Agnieszka Han**, Vice-President of the Management Board, Hasco-Lek SA
- **Andrej Kiska**, philanthropist, entrepreneur, President of Slovakia (2014–2019)
- **Mirosław Proppé**, President of the Management Board, WWF Poland Foundation
- **Katarzyna Przewężikowska**, Head of External Communications and CSR, Grupa Żabka
- **Ryan Turner**, philanthropy advisor

Moderated by:

- **Andrzej Chojnowski**, Managing Editor, Rzeczpospolita, 'Sukces' Magazine

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Conference Room 25

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Balance and diversity

Diversity in management – its impact on innovation and financial performance. Barriers to women’s advancement: the glass ceiling, pay gaps, stereotypes. Tools for building balance: anti-discrimination policies, pay transparency, flexible working arrangements, mentoring. Gender quotas on management and supervisory boards – new obligations arising from the Women on Boards Directive. The role of men in fostering equality. Supporting women in male-dominated sectors. Motherhood and fatherhood versus career – organisational solutions. Diversity reporting under ESG and CSRD. An organisational culture that fosters inclusion.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Mark Brzezinski**, former United States Ambassador to Poland, Member of the UNIMOT Strategic Advisory Board
- **Paweł Jakubik**, Microsoft Alliance Lead, EY
- **Katarzyna Rozenfeld**, Vice-President of the Management Board for Operations, PGE Polska Grupa Energetyczna SA
- **Agnieszka Walter**, Financial Vice-President of the Management Board, Węglokoks SA
- **Eliza Zeidler**, Secretary of State, Ministry of State Assets, Poland

Moderated by:

- **Anna Kieszowska-Grudny**, CEO, Minds of Hope, Instytut BezStresu

24 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Lower Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Ethical leadership

Business leaders now find themselves in the crossfire of expectations. On the one hand, pressure to deliver results and returns for shareholders. On the other – growing expectations from employees, consumers, and society regarding responsibility, transparency, and engagement in social issues. How to navigate a world in which every business decision is simultaneously a statement of values? Cancel culture, the backlash against ESG, culture wars, generational differences in values – today's CEO must be not only a manager, but also a philosopher, diplomat, and often a psychologist.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Dominika Bettman**, former Director General of Microsoft in Poland and CEO of Siemens Sp. z o.o., Member of the Supervisory Board of Santander Bank Polska and KRUK S.A., Chairman of the University Council, Warsaw School of Economics
- **Ewelina Kabała**, Member of the Management Board, TZF Polfa SA
- **Przemysław Mitraszewski**, External Relations Director, Board Attorney, LPP
- **Paweł Ossowski**, President of the Management Board, ZARYS International
- **Irena Pichola**, President of the Management Board, Responsible Business Forum, Chair of the Steering Committee, Chapter Zero Poland
- **Rafał Sonik**, President of the Management Board, Gemini Holding
- **Renata Wozba**, President of the Management Board, T2S Group

Moderated by:

- **Grzegorz Sadowski**, Editor-in-Chief, MyCompany

24 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Conference Room 25

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Working in the hybrid era

The boundaries between work and personal life are blurring under the impact of remote work and flexible hours; pressure to be available 24/7 and the absence of rituals foster burnout. Limited social interaction makes it harder to develop soft skills. Remote work and return to the office: managing the process while taking into account the arguments of employers and employees. How can organisations protect employees' mental health while maintaining performance? Mechanisms that bring about a genuine balance between work and private life.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Agata Erhardt-Wojciechowska**, Director of Human Resources and Organizational Culture, Polish Scouting and Guiding Association (ZHP)
- **Natalia Hyla**, Vice President, Leader of Talent Club, ABSL
- **Aleksandra Kania**, Country Manager, Director for Cooperation with Public Institutions and Strategic Partners, ArcelorMittal Poland
- **Łukasz Kałędkiwicz**, Senior Director, Head of Advisory & Transaction Services, Head of Office Sector, CBRE
- **Damian Łuczowski**, Country IKEA for BUSINESS Manager, IKEA Retail
- **Wojciech Skrudlik**, GSK Poland Global Hub Lead

Moderated by:

- **Karolina Markowska**, Editor-in-Chief, PulsHR.pl

24 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 3.00 p.m. | Lower Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Adaptive competences

Technological change requires continuous upskilling. The risk of digital and professional exclusion. The need to develop soft skills, creativity, and adaptive capacity. Do the education system and labour market policy keep pace with the rate of change? How to support lifelong learning while maintaining a balance between learning, work, and personal life?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Agata Erhardt-Wojciechowska**, Director of Human Resources and Organizational Culture, Polish Scouting and Guiding Association (ZHP)
- **Joanna Pruszyńska-Witkowska**, Co-founder, Vice President of the Management Board, Future Collars
- **Cezary Przybył**, Advisor, Social Processes Analysis Team, Polish Economic Institute
- **Monika Sikora**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Funds and Regional Policy, Poland
- **Artem Zozulia**, President of the Management Board, Fundacja Ukraina
- **Przemysław Żydok**, President of the Management Board, 'Aktywizacja' Foundation

Moderated by:

- **Katarzyna Domagała-Szymonek**, Journalist, PulsHR.pl

24 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 3.00 p.m. | Conference Room 25

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Social economy

Between the market and the state – the role of social enterprises in solving societal problems. The Social Economy Act – what has it changed, what is missing, and what are the initial effects of its implementation? Social cooperatives, vocational activity centres, social integration centres – diversity of forms and their effectiveness. Activation of marginalized individuals, social services: where does the social economy work best? Public procurement as a lever for sector development. Financing social enterprises – what needs adjustment? Social economy in relation to ESG and corporate responsibility. Measuring social impact. European best practices. Local governments as partners – how to build local social economy ecosystems? Challenges for the sector: how to professionalize without losing sight of the mission?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Sarah de Heusch**, Director, Social Economy Europe, Brussels
- **Julia Koczanowicz-Chondzyńska**, President of the Management Board, Foundation for Social and Economic Initiatives (FISE)
- **Justyna Markowicz**, Violet Fund Portfolio Manager, NESsT Global
- **Andrzej Radniecki**, Director, Department of Social Economy, Ministry of Family, Labour and Social Policy, Poland
- **Przemysław Sołtysik**, President of the Management Board, “Honolulu” Social Cooperative

Moderated by:

- **Mirella Panek-Owsiańska**, Director for International Affairs of the EEC, PTWP Group

23 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. | Multifunctional Room 1

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Mental Health of Employees

The mental health of employees is a decisive factor in an organisation's productivity and competitiveness. The scale of problem: burnout, depression, anxiety disorders lead to absenteeism and high employee turnover – how much does it cost businesses and the economy? The pandemic, remote work, uncertainty, high levels of stress – how do they affect the mental well-being of employees? The role of leaders and managers: the significance of early recognition and quick response without stigmatizing. Programmes of psychological support in companies. Gen Z and millennials – new expectations towards employers in terms of work-life balance and mental health. Legislation, responsibilities of employers, ESG standards. The return on investment in mental health – data, studies, arguments for management boards.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Piotr Gafekci**, Head, Department of Adult Psychiatry, Medical University of Łódź, National Consultant in Psychiatry, Chair of the Mental Health Council, Lecturer, National School of Judiciary and Public Prosecution in Krakow
- **Marta Golbik**, Member of Parliament, Chair of the Parliamentary Health Committee
- **Agnieszka Horbaczewska**, Co-worker Communication Leader, IKEA Retail
- **Anna Kieszowska-Grudny**, CEO, Minds of Hope, Instytut BezStresu
- **Agnieszka Maciejewska**, Group Vice President People and Culture, TVN WBD
- **Maciej Sandomierski**, Psychologist, Head of Psychology and Psychiatry, MindHealth Mental Health Center (Medicover Group)

Moderated by:

- **Agata Szczepańska**, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Rynek Zdrowia
- **Weronika Szkwerek**, Journalist, PulsHR.pl

TRACK: MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m. | Conference Room 25

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Dialogue in the digital world

How is technology changing communication practice? How can we respond to new communication challenges arising from digitalisation, the speed of information flow, its superficiality, and lack of credibility? The evolution of communication: changing forms of dialogue and interaction. Social adaptation as a response to the digital revolution. The importance of digital skills and the need for education. Orderliness and accessibility of data. Rules, standards, ethical issues.

- **Grzegorz Błażewicz**, founder, President of the Management Board, SALESmanago
- **Kamila Cichońska**, COO, Microsoft Polska

- **Paweł Kapusta**, journalist, media executive
- **Jan Mróz**, VP Communications and Public Affairs, TVN Warner Bros. Discovery
- **Monika Rosa**, Member of the Polish Parliament
- **Piotr Rutkowski**, Spokesperson, Director of Media Relations, mBank
- **Wawrzyniec Smoczyński**, President, New Community Foundation

Moderated by:

- **Anna Wittenberg**, Journalist, Zero.pl

22 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m - 6.00 p.m. | Conference Room 7

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Disinformation in business

Fake information, media manipulation, and their consequences for business: declining trust, share price volatility, disruption in relations with partners. Barriers to responding to threats: the rapid spread of fake news, lack of crisis procedures, and low risk awareness among managers. How to defend against it? Companies need to invest in reputation monitoring, communication standards, cooperation with regulators, and crisis strategies.

Presentation:

- **Michał Kowalczyk**, Research Director, IBRiS

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Mariusz Kaczmarek**, Managing Director of the Technology Division, Totalizator Sportowy
- **Michał Kowalczyk**, Research Director, IBRiS
- **Maciej Maciejowski**, Chief Executive Officer, Gremi Media SA
- **Zenon Nowak**, President, Polska Press
- **Małgorzata Sklorz**, Director of Communications, PTWP Group
- **Renata Toczyska-Seliga**, Global Corporate Communications Director, Medicover
- **Małgorzata Żmijewska-Kukielka**, President, Green Transition Hub Foundation, Communications Manager, Polish Wind Energy Association

Moderated by:

- **Rafał Czechowski**, CEO & Founder, Imago PR

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Spodek Stage 1

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This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Disinformation and resilience

The impact of fake news and manipulation on the public opinion, political decision-making, and social trust. How to effectively protect society against disinformation? Poland and Europe face a challenge of creating effective information resilience. Should we respond to disinformation or fight it at its source? The role of big tech and social media – how to enforce the responsibility of platforms under DSA; how to regulate, without curtailing freedom? Effective counter measures – fact-checking is not enough. From targeted actions to systemic prevention. A need for national information safety strategy. What tools should the state be equipped with? Models of cooperation between administration, legislators, platforms, and the media.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Marek Błoński**, President, Polish Press Agency
- **Krzysztof Gawkowski**, Deputy Prime Minister of Poland, Minister of Digital Affairs, Government Plenipotentiary for Cyber Security
- **Marcel Kiełtyka**, Member of the Management Board, Director of Communications and PR, Demagog Association, Member, Advisory Council for Resilience to International Disinformation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Poland
- **Aleksandra Sobczak**, President of the Management Board, Wyborcza, Gazeta.pl
- **Michał Szuldrzyński**, Editor-in-Chief, Rzeczpospolita
- **Rafał Trzaskowski**, Mayor of Warsaw
- **Piotr Wasilewski**, GVP Head of Legal and Corporate Affairs Management, TVN Warner Bros. Discovery

Moderated by:

- **Mateusz Dolatowski**, Journalist TVP, host of the “Lie Detector” show

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. – 1.00 p.m. | Spodek Stage 2

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This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The media and their future

The future of the media industry in a broad context – the need for redefinition. Credibility, entertainment, mission: what tools, and how, could help media outlets fight for the attention of the audience? How to reach younger audiences? Information media vs. big tech – a struggle for profit and value. Information safety as an important component of security architecture of the state and citizens. The new media act. Changes in the Polish media

market: independence and plurality, transparent financing, better protection of journalists, managing state advertisement.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Bartosz Hojka**, President of the Management Board, Agora SA
- **Diane Lemoine**, CEO, L'Express and L'Express Europe
- **Harlan Mandel**, CEO, Media Development Investment Fund
- **René Moerland**, CEO, Euractiv Media B.V.
- **Sevgil Musaieva**, Editor-in-Chief, Ukrainska Pravda
- **Dorota Żurkowska**, GSVP Revenue, TVN Warner Bros. Discovery

Moderated by:

- **Paulina Gumowska**, Publishing Director, PTWP Group

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m – 2.30 p.m. | Conference Room 3

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The audiovisual industry

Poland's potential – the rapid development and professionalisation of the audiovisual (AV) industry. Growing needs of the domestic and European markets. The need to reduce bureaucracy. Access to specialised financial instruments, institutional support, tax incentives.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Grzegorz Łoszewski**, President of the Management Board, SFP-ZAPA
- **Marta Palucka**, Vice President for Finance, Kino Świat, Deputy Finance Director; Director of Accounting, Tax and Treasury, Canal+ Poland
- **Łukasz Poniński**, Director Drama Production House, Production Executive, TVN Warner Bros. Discovery
- **Ewa Puszczynska**, Film Producer; Honorary Doctor, Arts, School of Film, TV and Theatre in Łódź

Moderated by:

Michał Sznajder, Journalist, TVN24, TVN24 BiS

24 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Green Planet 2

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Digital hygiene

The impact of behaviour related to the use of information and communication technologies on the physical and mental health and social relationships of their users. The scale of damage, addiction, and the reasons behind them. How to promote behaviour, attitudes, habits and norms that restore safety, agency, and increase mental resilience? The role of education, social campaigns and organisations, role models, and the media.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Katarzyna Issat**, Senior Corporate Communications Director, TVN Warner Bros. Discovery
- **Michał Kucia**, professor, Department of International Management, University of Economics in Katowice
- **Anna Marucha**, Corporate Communication Director, Spokesperson, Agora SA
- **Marek Orzechowski**, President, Fundacja LOTTO im. Haliny Konopackiej
- **Anna Rywczyńska**, Head, Cyberthreats Prevention Department, NASK

Moderated by:

- **Paweł Majcher**, President of the Management Board, Polish Radio

TRACK: CULTURE AND LIFESTYLE

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 p.m - 4.00 p.m. | Conference Room 4

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Cultural patronage

Current practice of patronage in Poland: informal relationships and roles, experiences and disappointments. Motivations of donors: prestige, ESG, brand building – what drives patronage? Regulation governing cultural activities and patronage – what tools are available? How does the state intend to stimulate private funding for culture? Will this be a real incentive for businesses and private patrons? Benefits for creators and cultural institutions: easier access to funds, more stable financing, new partnerships. Will consumers of culture notice the changes? France, Italy, United Kingdom – proven models; what can be adapted to Poland? Public-private cooperation in funding culture.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Małgorzata Borkowska**, Deputy Director for Communication and Public Programs, National Museum in Warsaw
- **Artur Dela**, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, founder, Eneris Group
- **Michał Merczyński**, Director, Nowy Teatr in Warsaw
- **Michał Spoczyński**, Member of the Management Board, Employers of Poland
- **Kamil Wyszkowski**, Executive Director, Country Representative, UN Global Compact Network Poland

Moderated by:

- **Robert Piaskowski**, Director, National Centre for Culture Poland

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Conference Room 8

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Culture and economy

Culture as a driving force influencing societal and economic development. Motivations of businesses supporting cultural projects: brand, trust and relationships with stakeholders, innovation. Collaboration between companies, creators, and cultural institutions. What benefits do both sides gain? Cinematography as an example of an industry that drives the economy, impacts the labour market, and develops local markets (production, festivals, distribution, streaming). How to develop mutually beneficial business–culture partnerships?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Łukasz Adamski**, Deputy Director, Zachęta – National Gallery of Art
- **Iwona Jarzębska**, President of the Management Board, Millennium Bank Foundation, Director Public Relations, Bank Millennium
- **Artur Liebhart**, Director, Founder, Millennium Docs Against Gravity Festival (MDAG)
- **Ewa Sadkowska**, Director, Film Institution “Silesia Film”
- **Anna Wróblewska**, Author of the book “The Film Market in Poland”, Journalist, Member, Polish Filmmakers Association
- **Marek Zajęc**, Deputy Director for Documentary and Historical Programming, Programming Office, Telewizja Polska

Moderated by:

- **Aleksandra Nagel**, Editor-in-Chief, Well.pl

23 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m. – 6.00 p.m. | Conference Room 8

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

"After Work" - movie screening & Q&A session with director Erik Gandini

- **Eric Gandini**, "After Work" movie director

Moderated by:

- **Marcin Balicki**, President of the Management Board, Millennium Leasing

24 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 3.00 p.m. | Ballroom A

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Tourism in Poland: premium destinations

The allure of Poland as a premium tourist destination – what contributes to potential? What are the expectations of the demanding tourist and how are they addressed by services providers? An increasing significance of quality of life in premium tourism. Poland as wellness & slow luxury hotspot. Investments in the premium hospitality sector in Poland: boutique hotels, luxury farms, wine resorts.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Jacek Koziński**, Member of the Supervisory Board, Aries Hotel & SPA
- **Ireneusz Raś**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Sports and Tourism, Poland
- **Paweł Ryszkiewicz**, President of the Management Board, Belmonte Group
- **Ryszard Skotniczny**, President of the Management Board, slow beskid, Co-owner, RSF Sp. z o.o.
- **Magdalena Krucz**, President, Polish Tourism Organisation

Moderated by:

- **Aleksandra Nagel**, Editor-in-Chief, Well.pl

24 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Bingo

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Women's football

The rapid development of women's football in Europe and the world. Poland compared to the European leaders. Competition formats, clubs and training have become more professional in women's football. How to build a stable competition format and staff resources? Sponsors, advertisers, media rights – women's football as a business. Increasing viewership and media interest – how to turn attention into long-term engagement of the fans? The role of the Polish Football Association, local government, and the state. The career path of a female

footballer – how keep top talent at home? Women's football – a tool in promoting physical activity and equal opportunities. Grand tournaments: their impact on image and motivation. The society's view of women's football – how to challenge stereotypes and increase prestige?

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Patrycja Balcerzak**, Sports Activist, TV Pundit, Poland Women's National Football Team Player (2011–2021)
- **Magdalena Dembińska**, Co-founder, Coach, Sport Club Akademia Piłkarska Diamonds Academy
- **Roman Jaszczak**, President, FC Medyk Konin, Federation of Women's Football Clubs
- **Karolina Koch**, Footballer; Football Coach, Women's Team Coach, GKS Katowice
- **Marcin Krupa**, Mayor of Katowice
- **Nina Patalon**, Head Coach, Poland Women's National Football Team
- **Joanna Tokarska**, former football player, TV commentator, TVP Sport
- **Łukasz Wachowski**, Secretary General, Polish Football Association
- **Wiesław Wilczyński**, Initiator, Founder, President, FC Barcelona Escola Varsovia
- **Michał Zawacki**, reporter, sports commentator

Moderated by:

- **Agata Bachanek**, Journalist, TVP

24 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Bingo

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

Global sports events

Organising large-scale sports events with massive reach – their nature and significance as business, economic, and infrastructural projects. Major sports events as an element of global territorial competition. Their impact on development, the discipline, the country, and the region. Tourism, media, transport, and services. Great sport, the brand of an event, promoting the brand of the host country. Mega events: plans, ambitions, budgets vs. satisfaction and actual benefits.

The discussion, which were invited to participate (alphabetic order):

- **Piotr Borys**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Sports and Tourism
- **Artur Kapelko**, Member of the Management Board, Totalizator Sportowy
- **Grzegorz Kita**, President, Founder, Sport Management Polska
- **Maciej Kolon**, Vice President of the Management Board, Ekstraklasa SA
- **Szymon Michałek**, Mayor of Chorzów
- **Marcin Rosengarten**, Owner, AthleTeam Agency, Director, Kamila Skolimowska Memorial (Diamond League)
- **Maciej Siwek**, Event Venue Director, Galacticos Show 2026
- **Sylwia Snopkiewicz**, Executive Director of Sponsorship, ORLEN SA
- **Marcin Stolarz**, President of the Management Board, PTWP Event Center

Moderated by:

- **Agata Bachanek**, Journalist, TVP

22 April, 2026 | 12.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m. | Upper Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

EEC Talks. Economic cooperation. Let's do it together – Part 1

Projects within international economic cooperation – best practices, new ideas. A catalogue of proposals: how to identify areas and fields with cooperation potential? Skills, knowledge and openness in contacts between companies and institutions from culturally distant countries. Together and wisely: how to overcome barriers? The role of institutional support.

Conversation 2:1:

- **Ahmed Mohammed A-Hayki**, Investor Relations Officer – Europe, Invest Qatar
- **Aleksandra Rutkowska**, Journalist, TVP

Conversation 1:1:

- **Miguel Berger**, German Ambassador to Poland
- **Michał Szuldrzyński**, Editor-in-Chief, Rzeczpospolita

Conversation 1:1:

- **Hannes Schreiber**, Ambassador of Austria to Poland
- **Michał Szuldrzyński**, Editor-in-Chief, Rzeczpospolita

Conversation 1:1:

- **Břetislav Dančák**, Ambassador of the Czech Republic to the Republic of Poland
- **Michał Szuldrzyński**, Editor-in-Chief, Rzeczpospolita

Conversation 1:1:

- **Oyundari Navaan-Yunden**, Ambassador of Mongolia to Poland
- **Aleksandra Rutkowska**, Journalist, TVP

22 April, 2026 | 2.30 pm. - 4.00 p.m. | Upper Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

EEC Talks. Geopolitics, security, sovereignty

In search of a new world order. Adapting to constant volatility – how to shape policies and strategies in turbulent times? Production, domestic component, proprietary technologies – the winding road to independence. Be ready, flexible and efficient: will everything become “dual-use”? Security – a cost or an investment?

Conversation 1:1:

- **John Hannaford**, Personal Representative of the Canadian Prime Minister to the European Union
- **Maciej Martewicz**, Bloomberg

Conversation 1:1:

- **Mark Brzezinski**, US Ambassador to Poland 2022-2025, Member of the Strategic Advisory Board, UNIMOT
- **Michał Szuldrzyński**, Editor-in-Chief, Rzeczpospolita

Conversation 1:1:

- **Jordan Pandoff**, CEO, Lumina Metals
- **Maciej Martewicz**, Bloomberg

Conversation 3:1(30):

Puls Biznesu: Dual-use technologies – a new currency of Europe's security and growth

In 2026, as Poland strengthens its position within the G20, dual-use technologies are becoming a new foundation of European resilience. They are no longer solely the domain of the defence industry, but the result of synergy between cutting-edge science and business. During the EEC Talk, we will explore how research infrastructures – from synchrotrons to radio telescope networks – are becoming incubators of technologies crucial for Europe's sovereignty. We will discuss how to translate particle physics into supply chain stability and how to educate leaders capable of managing innovation at the intersection of these two worlds. Biodiversity and business

- **Mariusz-Jan Radło**, professor SGH, Head, Katedra Global Economic Interdependence Department, World Economy Research Institute, SGH Warsaw School of Economics
- **Agnieszka Słowikowska**, professor UMK, Director, JIVE-ERIC
- **Jakub Szlachetko**, professor UJ, Director, NCPS SOLARIS, Jagiellonian University

Moderated by:

- **Łukasz Korycki**, Journalist, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Puls Biznesu

22 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m. - 5.30 p.m. | Upper Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

EEC Talks. Top business leaders on trends and the future

What lies ahead? How should we respond? How can we retain control? Megatrends shaping the future in the opinions of top management. Technologies and digitalisation – challenges for teams and leaders.

Transformation of the economy and the energy sector – activity and decisions instead of mere adaptation and reaction. How to be an authentic and effective leader in times of VUCA?

Conversation:

- **Anna Rulkiewicz**, President, LUX MED Group, President, Employers for Health Association, First Vice-President, Lewiatan Confederation
- **Joanna Dunikowska-Paź**, Journalist, TVP

Conversation 1:1:

- **Ionut Farcas**, President, Central Eastern Europe, Schneider Electric
- **Aleksandra Helbin**, Editor-in-Chief, WNP.PL

Conversation 1:1:

- **Guy Standing**, Economist, Professor, SOAS University of London
- **Aleksandra Helbin**, Editor-in-Chief, WNP.PL

Conversation 1:1:

- **Henrik von Scheel**, Professor of Strategic Management and Economics, Strategist, Futurist
- **Aleksandra Helbin**, Editor-in-Chief, WNP.PL

Moderated by:

- **Aleksandra Helbin**, Editor-in-Chief, WNP.PL

23 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.

EEC Talks. Economic cooperation. Let's do it together - Part 2

Projects within international economic cooperation – best practices, new ideas. A catalogue of proposals: how to identify areas and fields with cooperation potential? Skills, knowledge and openness in contacts between companies and institutions from culturally distant countries. Together and wisely: how to overcome barriers? The role of institutional support.

Conversation 1:1:

- **Patrick Reid**, Engineering Director for Safety and Licensing, Candu Energy Inc, an AtkinsRéalis company
- **Aleksandra Rutkowska**, Journalist, TVP

Conversation 1:1:

- **Nargiz Gurbanova**, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Azerbaijan in Poland
- **Krzysztof M. Zalewski**, President, Boyma Institute

Conversation 1:1:

- **Drilon S. Gashi**, Ambassador, Head of Mission, Consulate General of the Republic of Kosovo in Poland
- **Aleksandra Rutkowska**, Journalist, TVP

Conversation 1:1:

- **Enass Ahmad Alshahwan**, Ambassador of the Kingdom of Saudi to Poland
- **Krzysztof M. Zalewski**, President, Boyma Institute

Conversation 1:1:

- **Hà Hoàng Hải**, Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Ambassador of Vietnam to Poland
- **Krzysztof M. Zalewski**, President, Boyma Institute

Conversation 1:1:

- **Øystein Bø**, Ambassador of Norway to Poland
- **Aleksandra Rutkowska**, Journalist, TVP

23 April, 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Upper Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

EEC Talks. Politicians on the economy – Part 1

What would I do for the economy, competitiveness and security? Politicians facing the main development challenges in an unstable and complex environment. Regulation and economic freedom – how to strike the right balance? People vs metrics – the everyday dilemmas of economic policy. Unpopular but necessary – difficult decisions, their cost and responsibility in public service.

Conversation 1:1:

- **Katarzyna Pełczyńska-Nałęcz**, Minister of Development Funds and Regional Policy, Poland
- **Jacek Prusinowski**, Journalist, Kanał ZERO

Conversation 1:1:

- **Mateusz Morawiecki**, Member of the Polish Parliament, Chairman, Party of European Conservatives and Reformists (ECR), Prime Minister 2017-2023
- **Jacek Prusinowski**, Journalist, Kanał ZERO

Conversation 1:1:

- **Michał Szczerba**, Member of the European Parliament
- **Jacek Prusinowski**, Journalist, Kanał ZERO

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Upper Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

EEC Talks. Digitalisation: technologies and competences for tomorrow

Breakthrough technological trends and scenarios of change. Artificial intelligence is turning everything upside down – how can we navigate the realities of the AI revolution? Cybersecurity: principles, requirements and regulations. Digital transformation, automation and robotics versus the labour market. What should we teach and how should we educate – education and the competences of the future.

Conversation 1:1:

- **Artur Józefiak**, Vice President, Head of the Cyber Security Services Centre for Europe, Accenture in Poland, Accenture in Poland
- **Nikola Bochyńska**, Journalist, WNP.PL

Conversation 1:1:

- **Karolina Wawrzyniak**, Director, Public Sector, Mastercard Europe
- **Marek Rozkrut**, główny ekonomista, EY EU & CESA

Conversation 1:1:

- **Marcin Wysocki**, Deputy Director, Department of Cybersecurity, Ministry of Digital Affairs, Poland
- **Nikola Bochyńska**, Journalist, WNP.PL

23 April, 2026 | 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. | Upper Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

EEC Talks. Art, patronage, the market

The art market today: investing, corporate collections and private galleries, the auction market. Creativity and social capital: art that builds bridges. A hobby, a passion or an investment – how to build a collection that will endure. Patronage – taste, image and prestige. New technologies in art and creative practice.

Conversation:

- **Rafał Kamecki**, Founder, President of the Management Board, Artinfo.pl
- **Juliusz Windorbski**, President of the Management Board, DESA SA

Conversation:

- **Marek Roefler**, President of the Management Board, Dantex, Founder, Villa LaFleur

Conversation:

- **Grzegorz Hańderek**, Rector, Academy of Fine Arts in Katowice
- **Łukasz Galusek**, Director, Silesian Museum

Moderated by:

- **Andrzej Chojnowski**, Managing Editor, Rzeczpospolita, 'Sukces' Magazine

23 April, 2026 | 4.30 p.m. - 5.00 p.m. | Upper Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

EEC Talks. The premium lifestyle

The luxury goods market in Poland: trends, investments and potential. What do the affluent buy? Sustainable luxury – prestige with responsibility. Trends in the beauty industry: innovations for health and beauty. The art of good living – myths, facts and recommendations. Work–life balance between theory and practice.

Conversation:

- **Maciej Wojciechowski**, Director of Stationary Store Network, House of Whisky
- **Aleksandra Nagel**, Editor-in-Chief, Well.pl

23 April, 2026 | 5.00 p.m. - 5.30 p.m. | Upper Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

The 'Promoter of Poland' awards gala

'Promoter of Poland' is a title awarded to persons whose cultural, scientific or business achievements help establish Poland's reputation as a national brand. This distinction is awarded to Poles who – through their professional achievements and dedication to social causes – promote and strengthen the positive image of Poland.

24 April 2026 | 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. | Upper Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

EEC Talks. Politicians on the economy – Part 2

What would I do for the economy, competitiveness and security? Politicians facing the main development challenges in an unstable and complex environment. Regulation and economic freedom – how to strike the right balance? People vs metrics – the everyday dilemmas of economic policy. Unpopular but necessary – difficult decisions, their cost and responsibility in public service.

Conversation 1x1 (15'):

- **Mirosław Suchoń**, Member of the Polish Parliament, Chairman of the Infrastructure Commission
- **Adam Sierak**, Editor, WNP.PL

Conversation 1x1 (15'):

- **Ireneusz Zyska**, Member of Polish Parliament, Law and Justice
- **Kacper Świsłowski**, Editor, WNP.PL

Conversation 1x1 (15'):

- **Rafał Komarewicz**, Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee on Economy and Development, Member of Polish Parliament, Centrum
- **Kacper Świsłowski**, Editor, WNP.PL

Conversation 1x1 (15'):

- **Jarosław Wiczorek**, Member of the Polish Parliament, Law and Justice
- **Wojciech Żurawski**, Editor, WNP.PL

24 April, 2026 | 11.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. | Upper Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

EEC Talks. Culture – a driver of development

Cities, regions and culture – its economic and reputational potential. Cultural offer and infrastructure as capital and investment. Public institutions, universities and business in their relations with artists – the art of dialogue and partnership.

Conversation (45'):

- **Marta Cienkowska**, Minister of Culture and National Heritage, Poland
- **Łukasz Galusek**, Director, Silesian Museum

- **Katarzyna Kuczyńska-Budka**, Mayor of Gliwice
- **Stefan Stefaniszyn**, Business Manager, Ksawery Komputery
- **Maciej Tomaszewski**, Spokesperson, STRABAG

Moderated by:

- **Paweł Pindur**, Founder, Tonarium – Laboratorium Nowych Mediów, CEO, Soundscape

Conversation (45'):

- **Michał Adelt-Józwiak**, Deputy Director, National Centre for Culture Poland
- **Adam Balas**, Director, Polish National Radio Symphony Orchestra in Katowice
- **Marta Cienkowska**, Minister of Culture and National Heritage, Poland
- **Grzegorz Hańderek**, Rector, Academy of Fine Arts in Katowice
- **Łukasz Kałębasiak**, Director, Katowice City of Gardens - Krystyna Bochenek Cultural Institution

Moderated by:

- **Matylda Badera**, Program Director, Event producer, Soundscape

24 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 3.00 p.m. | Upper Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

EEC Talks. Sport

Sport as a tool of social integration. Physical activity and the values it brings: motivation and creativity, consistency and resilience, ethical competition and cooperation. The role of outstanding individuals in promoting a healthy lifestyle. Sport as a ritual, a source of soft power and a driver of development – its cultural and economic functions.

Conversation(30'):

- **Jeremi Rybak**, Head of Marketing, Acer
- **Rafał Sonik**, President of the Management Board, Gemini Holding
- **Maciej Stachura**, Deputy Mayor of Katowice
- **Szymon Walter**, CMO, 64 POLA

23 April, 2026 | 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. | Upper Lobby Stage

This session will be interpreted simultaneously into [PL/EN]

EEC Talks.

Conversation 1:1:

- **Leszek Balcerowicz**, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance 1989-1991 and 1997-2001, Governor of the National Bank of Poland 2001-2007, Chairman, Council of the Civil Development Forum
- **Jacek Ziarno**, Managing Editor, WNP Economic Trends

Conversation 1:1:

- **Rafał Trzaskowski**, Mayor of Warsaw
- **Ewa Szadkowska**, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Rzeczpospolita

Conversation 1:1:

- **Marcin Wiącek**, Commissioner for Human Rights
- **Ewa Szadkowska**, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Rzeczpospolita

Conversation 1:1:

- **Barbara Nowacka**, Minister of Education, Poland
- **Ewa Szadkowska**, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Rzeczpospolita

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