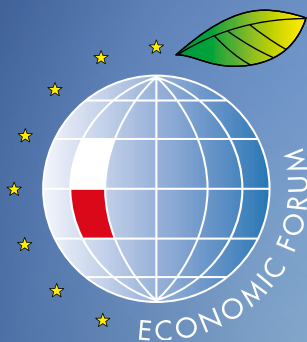




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The Architecture of the New Order - Stability in Times of Change

During the 34th Economic Forum, more than 6,000 guests came to Karpacz, where they were offered a rich substantive program comprising 612 events. Among them were the most important figures in the country and the region: leaders from the worlds of politics, business, and local government, as well as distinguished representatives of culture and science. The debates were covered by 700 journalists representing the largest media outlets from Poland and across Europe.

Forum participants debated under the theme “Time of Transformation – What Future for Europe?”. They agreed that Europe is currently facing inevitable changes resulting from geopolitical tensions and long-standing issues that have been addressed ineffectively for years. An important signal is the shift in policy in the United States, where the previous momentum of the green transition is being scaled back. This raises a fundamental question for Europe: whether it wants to build a strong and competitive economy, or remain a comfortable place to live without major development ambitions.

Another breakthrough event is Russia’s war against Ukraine, which has shown that basing development on cheap raw materials from Russia was an illusion. It is also increasingly emphasized that the previous model of globalization—based on large corporations relocating production to Asian countries—has weakened European economies and labor markets. In this context, there are growing calls for higher taxation of global corporations and for bringing industry back to Europe in order to rebuild employment and maintain Europeans’ standard of living.

This year’s Forum will be held under the theme “The Architecture of the New Order - Stability in Times of Change.” In the face of rising geopolitical tensions—such as the war in Ukraine and conflicts in the Middle East—states and international organizations are seeking new mechanisms to ensure security and stability. Structures of cooperation and security, such as NATO and the European Union, are playing an increasingly important role by strengthening political, economic, and military coordination. At the same time, the global balance of power is shifting with the growing importance of countries such as China and India, leading to a more multipolar international system. In this new architecture, energy security, economic resilience, and the development of strategic technologies are becoming key priorities. Stability in times of change therefore requires flexible institutions, the ability to engage in dialogue, and a capacity for collective responses to global crises.

The 35th Economic Forum lies ahead. A defining feature of the Forum is its steady growth, and I am convinced that at the beginning of September in Karpacz we will once again have a unique opportunity to take part in discussions on the most important issues shaping Poland, Europe, and the world.

Zygmunt Berdychowski

Chairman of the Program Council

THE MISSION

of the Economic Forum

For over three decades, the mission of the Forum has been to build a platform for dialogue and a favourable climate for the development of political and economic cooperation between the countries of the European Union and their neighbours. In fulfilling its mission, the Forum is independent and impartial.

Following the enlargement of the European Union, the Forum not only maintained its relevance but found a new formula and gained a new quality as a bridge between the East and the West. The Economic Forum is a European voice in the debate on matters concerning Europe and the World. Year after year, its proceedings are covered by the largest Polish and international media. Over more than 30 years of organizing the Economic Forum, we have managed to create a space for dialogue which, thanks to its unique atmosphere, has become one of the most frequently visited places in Europe by leaders from the worlds of politics, business, science, and culture. The Forum's guests include presidents, he-

ads of government, ministers, politicians, local government officials, corporate CEOs, people from culture and sports, renowned scientists, influential journalists, and representatives of non-governmental organizations.

Each year, a thorough analysis of the main phenomena, processes, and problems enables the preparation of the substantive programme for the Economic Forum, which consists of over 600 events covering the entire spectrum of the most important topics in world politics, the innovative economy, sustainable development, civil society, environmental protection, and security in its various aspects.



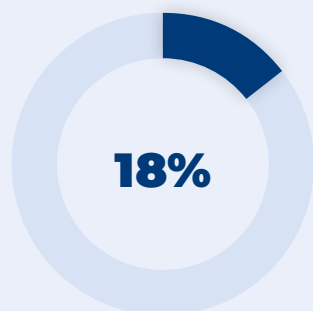


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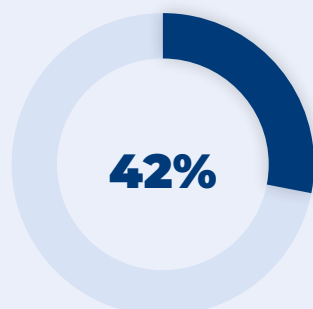
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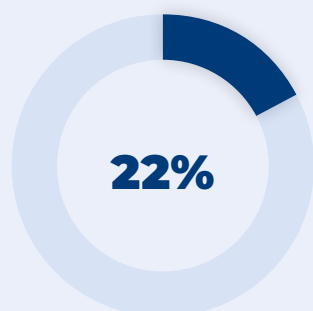
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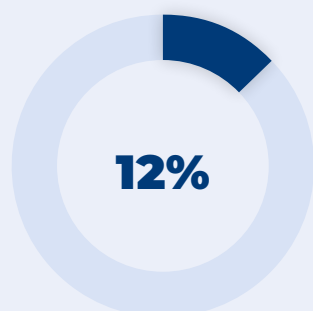
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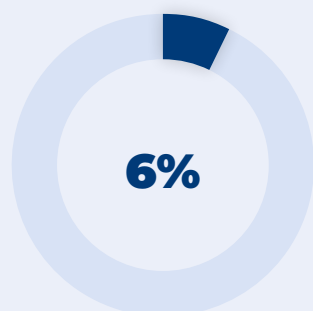
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and Politics**



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THE 34TH ECONOMIC FORUM IN KARPACZ

The 34th edition of the Economic Forum was held in Karpacz from September 2-4, 2025, under the theme „Time of Transformation – What Future for Europe?”. The event was attended by over 6,000 guests from Poland and 53 countries from around the world.

During the Forum, 612 events took place, including plenary sessions, panel discussions, debates, report presentations, special events, author meetings, press briefings, galas, and concerts. The debates addressed topics that are alive and being discussed in the contemporary world. The total number of people involved and participating in the Economic Forum reached over 8,000.

The organizer of the 34th Economic Forum was the Foundation Institute for Eastern Studies. The Main Partner was the Marshal's Office of the Lower Silesian Voivodeship. Among the Forum's partners were also: the City of Karpacz – the Host City, the City of Wrocław, and Wrocław Airport. The Strategic Partner of the Economic Forum was McDonald's. The second strategic partner was the Gołębiowski Hotel in Karpacz, which served as the Conference Centre. The Main Substantive Partner was the Warsaw School of Economics, and the Main Medical Partner was the LUX MED Group.

612 events

4 plenary sessions

457 panel debates

32 thematic blocks

8 presentations

52 special talks

8 workshops

36 author meetings

3 report presentations

1 exhibition

2 agreement signings

9 special events

GUESTS

The Forum once again gathered a record number of participants and partners from every sector, becoming an even stronger platform for exchanging experiences and building relationships among leaders from administration, local governments, business, and academia. The event confirmed that cross-sector cooperation is not only a foundation but also a key driver of development in the face of global challenges.

The world of politics and important institutions was represented by, among others:

Władysław Kosiniak-Kamysz – Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of National Defence; Krzysztof Gawkowski, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Digitalisation; Agnieszka Dziemianowicz-Bąk, Minister of Family, Labour and Social Policy; Marcin Kulasek, Minister of Science and Higher Education; Paulina Hennig-Kloska, Minister of Climate and Environment; Dariusz Klimczak, Minister of Infrastructure; Stefan Krajewski, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development; Katarzyna Pełczyńska-Nałęcz, Minister of Funds and Regional Policy. Forum guests also included: Andrzej Duda, President of Poland from 2015-2025; Krzysztof Bosak, Deputy Marshal of the Sejm of the Republic of Poland; Leszek Miller, Prime Minister of Poland from 2001-2004; Mateusz Morawiecki, Prime Minister of Poland from 2017-2023.

Each year, the Economic Forum attracts not only the most important personalities from Poland but also from other countries. Last year, participants in the Economic Forum included:

Martina Dalić, CEO of Podravka (Deputy Prime Minister of Croatia 2016-2018); Václav Klaus, former President of the Czech Republic (2003-2013); Mirek

Topolánek, former Prime Minister of the Czech Republic (2006-2009); Alaiba Dumitru, former Deputy Prime Minister, Minister, Ministry of Economic Development and Digitization, Moldova; Mitova Pavela, Chair of the Energy Committee, National Assembly, Bulgaria; Nicole Alexander, New York University - Professor, former Global Marketing Director at Meta; Dmytro Razumkov, former Chairman of the Verkhovna Rada, head of the parliamentary group „Smart Politics”; Marina Raguš, Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly, Serbia; Oleksii Kucher, Chairman of the State Regulatory Service of Ukraine; Geoffrey Van Orden – founder of the ECR group in the European Parliament, former military officer and MEP, United Kingdom; Alan Friedman, Director of the Lugano Global Forum; Robert Hamilton, President of the Delphi Global Research Center; Yasheng Huang, Professor at the MIT Sloan School of Management; Alexander MacDonald, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS). We are delighted to have hosted such distinguished personalities, who brought an international perspective to our discussions.



Władysław Kosiniak-Kamysz i Bogusław Chrabota



Václav Havel
guest of the Economic Forum in 2007



Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya
guest of the Economic Forum in 2020 and 2021



Radosław Fiedler, Grzegorz W. Kołodko, Krzysztof Bosak, Paweł Gancarz, Jean-Yves Leconte, Bogusław Chrabota



Donald Tusk

The Forum was attended by over 1000 representatives of local and regional authorities, including voivodeship marshals, city mayors, county heads, municipal mayors, and councilors at all levels of local government from Poland and Europe. Participants included, among others:

Paweł Gancarz, Marshal of the Lower Silesian Voivodeship; Łukasz Smółka, Marshal of the Lesser Poland Voivodeship; Jarosław Stawiarski, Marshal of the Lublin Voivodeship; Krzysztof Grabowski, Deputy Marshal of the Greater Poland Voivodeship; Marek Malinowski, Deputy Marshal of the Podlaskie Voivodeship; Leszek Bonna, Deputy Marshal of the Pomeranian Voivodeship; Piotr Pilch, Deputy Marshal of the Subcarpathian Voivodeship; Agnieszka Ryś, Deputy Marshal of the Łódź Voivodeship; Janina Ewa-Orzełowska, Member of the Board of the Masovian Voivodeship; Elżbieta Pniewska, Chairwoman of the Kuyavian-Pomeranian Regional Assembly; Jacek Sutryk, Mayor of Wrocław; Tomasz Mencina, Deputy Mayor of Warsaw; Stanisław Mazur, Deputy Mayor of Kraków; Anna Augustyniak, Deputy Mayor

of Lublin; Marcin Deręgowski, Deputy Mayor of Rzeszów; Piotr Grzelak, Deputy Mayor of Gdańsk; Maciej Wujec, Deputy Mayor of Opole; Adam Ciszkowski, President of the Association of Polish Local Governments; Kazimierz Karolczak, Chairman of the Upper Silesian-Zagłębie Metropolis.

A very positive signal is the growing interest in cross-sectoral cooperation within the Forum – last year, the number of business Partner entities increased by 9 percent compared to the previous year. Among the 160 companies were both small and medium-sized enterprises, which are the backbone of the Polish economy, as well as leading investors, innovators, and global corporations that have a particular influence on shaping Europe's future. The 34th Economic Forum was attended by leaders of Polish business, including, among others:

Janusz Malinowski, President of the Management Board of PKP Intercity S.A.; Artur Popko, President of the Management Board of Budimex S.A.; Anna Rulkiewicz, President of the Management Board of LUX MED;



Janez Jansa, Mateusz Morawiecki, Denys Shmyhal

Krzysztof Pawiński, President of the Management Board of the Maspex Group; Jan Kolanski, President of the Management Board of Colian; Włodzimierz Włażlak, President of the Management Board of Lidl Polska; Marcin Ujejski, President of the Management Board of BeLeaf S.A.; Ryszard Florek, President of the Management Board of FAKRO Polska; Marek Kiecan, President of the Management Board of Biokinetica S.A.; Mariusz Książek, President of the Management Board of Marvipol Development S.A.; Kamil Majerczak, President of the Management Board of Pre-Zero Polska; Michał Kanownik, President of the Management Board of the Digital Poland Association; Elżbieta Czetwertyńska, President of the Management Board of Bank Handlowy w Warszawie; Rafał Holanowski, President of the Management Board of Supra Brokers S.A.; Robert Jędrzejowski, President of the Management Board of Pekabex S.A.; Bartosz Kublik, President of the Management Board of Bank Ochrony Środowiska S.A.; Tomasz Rogacz, Managing Director of McDonald's Polska; Tomasz Suligowski, President of the Management Board of OK Operator Kaucyjny S.A.; Jakub Ogórek, President of the Management Board of Polski System Kaucyjny S.A.; Artur Białkowski, Vice President of the Management Board of Medicover sp. z o.o.; Piotr Wawrzynów, Vice President of the Management Board of Kaufland

Polska; Piotr Ostaszewski, President of the Management Board of Ekovoltis sp. z o.o.; Grzegorz Brodziak, President of the Management Board of Goodvalley Agro S.A.; and Kristian Prokop Jakobsen, President of the Management Board of Goodvalley.

Of particular note is the increasingly significant presence of leaders from the world of science at the Forum. The conference hosted over 400 scientists, including the rectors of major Polish universities:

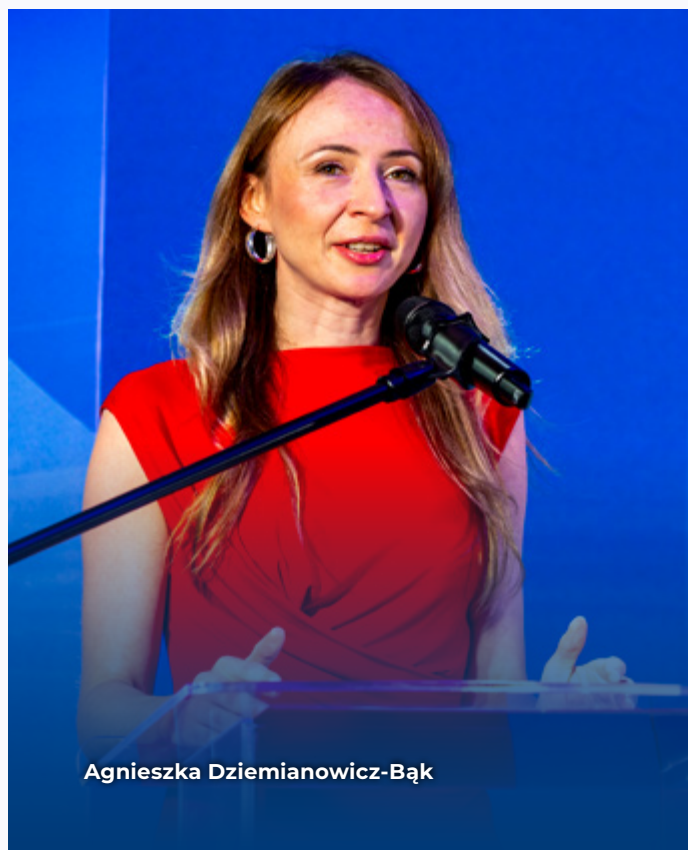
Prof. Piotr Wachowiak, Rector of the Warsaw School of Economics; Prof. Alojzy Nowak, Rector of the University of Warsaw; Prof. Andrzej Szarata, Rector of the Krakow University of Technology; Prof. Jerzy Lis, Rector of the AGH University of Science and Technology; Prof. Krzysztof Zaremba, Rector of the Warsaw University of Technology; Prof. Teofil Jesionowski, Rector of the Poznań University of Technology; Prof. Piotr Jedynak, Rector of Jagiellonian University; Prof. Mirosław Kalinowski, Rector of the Catholic University of Lublin; Prof. Czesław Zajac, Rector of the Wrocław University of Economics and Business; Prof. Robert Olkiewicz, Rector of the University of Wrocław.



José María Aznar and Aleksander Kwaśniewski
at the Economic Forum in 2009



Tomasz Pietryga, Sławomir Mentzen, Václav Klaus, Martina Dalić



Agnieszka Dziemianowicz-Bąk



Paulina Hennig-Kloska

THEMATIC AREAS

The Economic Forum in Karpacz is a leading platform for dialogue, enabling valuable business contacts and the exchange of experiences with leaders from numerous industries. For over thirty years, the Forum has been a meeting place for individuals with a decisive influence on the fate of Poland, Europe, and the World.

Participating in the Forum is an opportunity to promote your brand among influential decision-makers and experts. The 34th Economic Forum, a leading conference in Poland and Central Europe, gathered over 6,000 guests – leaders from the worlds of politics, business, science, and culture. Over three days of deliberations and 612 events – including plenary sessions, panel discussions, and presentations – they discussed the most pressing social, economic, and political problems and debated the main challenges for the future.

The Forum's programme was divided into 6 main thematic areas, such as: International Politics and Security, Economy, Society, Sustainable Development, the Forum of Regions, and the Healthcare Forum. The Forum programme also included numerous thematic tracks and accompanying zones, such as the 7th Cybersecurity Forum, the AI Forum, Europe of the Carpathians, the Food Economy Forum, and the Construction and Investment Forum.

Many events also took place in zones co-created by the Forum's partners, such as: Lower Silesia – a zone of opportunities, the Pavilion of Polish Science organized by the Ministry of Science and Higher Education, the Warsaw School of Economics Zone, the University of Warsaw Zone, the Krakow University of Technology Zone, the Wrocław University of Science and Technology Zone, the Civil Defence Zone, and the Digital Poland Zone.



Katarzyna Pełczyńska-Nałęcz





Jerzy Buzek and José Manuel Barroso
guests of the Economic Forum in 2010



Maia Sandu
guest of the Economic Forum in 2017



Jarosław Kaczyński



Robert Fico, Wołodymyr Hrojsman, Beata Szydło, Wiktor Orbán, Bohuslav Sobotka

Growing Cooperation Between Science and Business

The 34th Economic Forum hosted representatives from over forty universities. The largest Polish universities were partners of the Forum, with the Warsaw School of Economics serving as the Main Substantive Partner. In recognition of their exceptional contribution to the organization of the Economic Forum, six universities were distinguished with the title of Academic Partner: the University of Warsaw, Wrocław University of Science and Technology, Krakow University of Technology, Jagiellonian University, Wrocław University of Economics and Business, and the AGH University of Science and Technology in Krakow. More than a dozen other universities became Forum partners and significantly contributed to building the substantive programme.

Among the most important events was the Rectors' Breakfast, attended by Marcin Kulasek, Minister of Science and Higher Education. Meetings were also held between rectors of technical universities and business representatives. The 34th Economic Forum, more than any previous edition, highlighted the crucial role of universities and Polish science. It is worth noting that the conference was attended by over 400 scientists from Poland and abroad. The two most important reports presented at the Forum were the result of cooperation with universities – the SGH and Economic Forum Report, whose presentation traditionally opened the Forum, was prepared by scientists from the Warsaw School of Economics, and the „Local Government Unit Financial Report” was prepared by scientists from the Wrocław University of Economics and Business.

SGH WSE Report

On Tuesday, September 2, at 12:00 PM in the Gołbiewski Hotel in Karpacz, the presentation of the Warsaw School of Economics and Economic Forum Report began – this was traditionally the first event of the Economic Forum. The presentation was attended by Prof. Piotr Wachowiak, Rector of the Warsaw School of Economics; Krzysztof Łabowski, Vice President of the Management Board of BOŚ Bank; and Zygmunt Berdychowski, Chairman of the Programme Council of the Economic Forum.

The Report is a comprehensive study of the most important issues concerning the countries of Central and Eastern Europe. It is one of the most influential economic publications in Poland, analyzing key



Svetlana Alexievich
guest of the Economic Forum in 2017



Petr Fiala

socio-economic challenges. It also presents conclusions and recommendations that can significantly influence decisions made at both the governmental and local government levels.

„We are pleased that we can show today the changes taking place in Central Europe and can thus be serious partners in the discussion on what and how to change in order to seize the emerging opportunities for Poland and Central and Eastern Europe. The content of this report will be analyzed repeatedly during hundreds of panel discussions throughout the Forum over the next three days,” said Chairman Zygmunt Berdychowski during the report presentation.



Krzysztof Gawkowski
opens the 7th Cybersecurity Forum



Karol Stryja, Nicole Alexander

7th Cybersecurity Forum

For the seventh time, the Cybersecurity Forum at the Karpacz Forum was organized by the Ministry of Digitalisation with the participation of the NASK National Research Institute. It encompassed over 30 substantive events – including panels, workshops, and plenary sessions. The topics focused on, among others, cybersecurity in the healthcare sector and in local governments, the development of smart cities, current challenges and threats posed by new technologies, and regulations in the area of cybersecurity.

An important highlight during the Forum was the participation of technology partners from the Cybersecurity Cooperation Programme (PWCyber). Thanks to their involvement, the Forum became a space for open exchange of experiences and inspiration. One of the events co-created by the PWCyber partners was „Flop Night – Night of Failures,” during which experts openly shared stories of unsuccessful projects that became a springboard for further successes. The 7th Cybersecurity Forum proved that cooperation between the public and private sectors truly works – these are concrete actions involving the best experts and technology companies.



Philip Karber, Jose Louis Rodriguez Zapatero



Mirek Topolánek and Gunter Verheugen
at the Economic Forum in 2010



Alojzy Z. Nowak, Mario Monti

Healthcare Forum

The Healthcare Forum in Karpacz is one of the most important thematic tracks of the Economic Forum. In 2025, the 16th edition of the Healthcare Forum was attended by over 750 guests, including healthcare leaders, experts, and representatives from the public and private sectors. It is worth noting that this included 160 hospital directors participating in a special block of discussions on medical units.

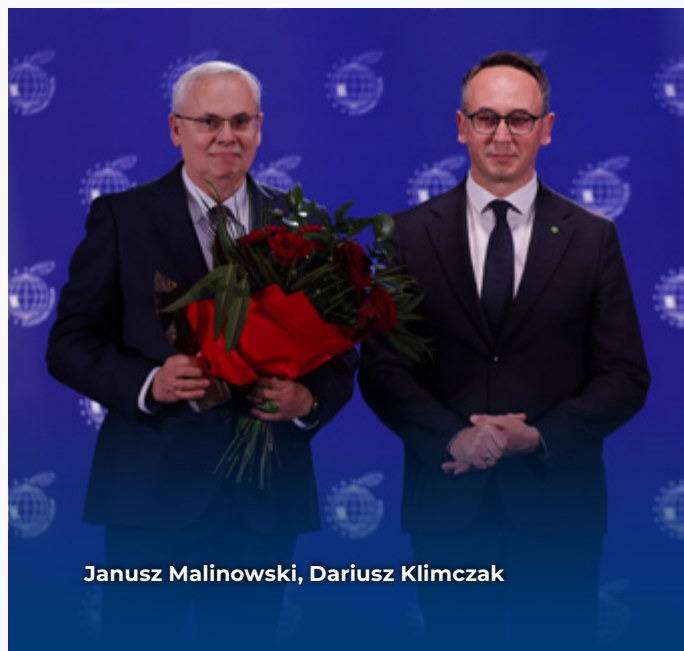
The focus of the Healthcare Forum participants was on key challenges such as healthcare financing, digitalization, innovations in medicine, and improving the quality of medical services. The Healthcare Forum provides an excellent opportunity to seek inspiration, present new solutions, and establish cooperation aimed at enhancing the quality of healthcare.



Adam Jarubas, Dominika Pietrzyk



Krzysztof Gawkowski



Janusz Malinowski, Dariusz Klimczak



Wojciech Bochnak, Sławosz Uznański-
Wiśniewski, Maciej Sokołowski, Paweł Gancarz



Henryk Skarżyński, Maria Oleksy, Andrzej Matyja

AWARDS

of the 34th Economic Forum

The culminating part of the Economic Forum was the presentation of awards to outstanding personalities and distinguished economic entities whose activities influence the political and social life in our country.

Last year, the Programme Council of the Economic Forum awarded the title of Man of the Year to Krzysztof Gawkowski, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Digitalisation. The Company of the Year award went to PKP Intercity S.A., with the award collected by President Janusz Malinowski. The Cultural Distinction of the Chairman of the Economic Forum's Programme Council was awarded to Prof. Jerzy Bralczyk. The Warsaw School of Economics Economic Award was received by Irena Pichola, President of the Responsible Business Forum.

Among the awardees was Prof. Henryk Skarżyński, creator and director of the Institute of Physiology and Pathology of Hearing and the World Hearing Center in Kajetany, who received the Józef Oleksy Award from Maria Oleksy.

The Award of the Marshal of the Lower Silesian Voivodeship for popularizing and building the regional identity of Lower Silesia was collected by Maciej Sokółowski, Director of the Andrzej Zawada Mountain Festival in Łądek-Zdrój. Marshal Paweł Gancarz also presented a special award of the Economic Forum and the Marshal of the Lower Silesian Voivodeship, the laureate of which was Sławosz Uznański-Wiśniewski – a participant of the Axiom Mission 4 „Ignis”, the second Pole in space and the first to visit the International Space Station (ISS). The City of Wrocław Awards, presented by Mayor Jacek Sutryk, went to three companies: Capgemini Polska, Piekarnia Hert, and Pyszne.pl.

On Thursday, during the gala closing the 34th Economic Forum in Karpacz, awards were presented to distinguish young leaders, local government officials, and companies. The first to be awarded was the Young Leader Award, presented by Prof. Piotr Wachowiak, Rector of the Warsaw School of Economics. The distinction was awarded to Kacper Adam Nowicki – President of the Board and Founder of the Varia Posnania Foundation and Coordinator of the Polish Youth Dialogue PROM.

To conclude the ceremony, the Awards of the Local Government Ranking for 2024 were presented. In the Rural Municipality category, the award was received by the Mayor of Michałowice Commune, Małgorzata Pachecka, while the award in the Urban-Rural Municipality category was received by the Mayor of Konstancin-Jeziorna, Michał Wiśniewski. In the Land County category, the distinction was awarded to Wrocław County – the award was received by Starosta Włodzimierz Chlebosz, and in the City with County Rights category, the capital of Poland, Warsaw, was honored – the award was received by Deputy Mayor of Warsaw Tomasz Mencina.

CULTURE

During the Economic Forum in Karpacz, guests could enjoy a broad cultural programme, including the richest schedule of author meetings in the conference's history. The culmination of the cultural programme was a live show by Justyna Steczkowska, partnered by McDonald's.



Tamilla Triantoro

Last year, as many as 36 author meetings took place in a specially created zone called the Book Stage. Books by authors from 8 countries were presented, including from the USA, France, Ukraine, Armenia, the Czech Republic, China, Romania, and of course Poland. The books covered topics such as: economics, politics, geopolitics, social issues, modern technologies and AI, as well as reportages, belles-lettres, scientific and popular science books, and international reports.

Last year's edition featured, among others: Prof. Nicole Alexander with her book „Ethical AI in Marketing: Aligning Growth, Responsibility and Customer Trust”, Prof. Jerzy Bralczyk and Prof. Leszek Czapryniak with their book „Cukier na języku. Rozmowy o cukrzycy” („Sugar on the Tongue: Conversations about Diabetes”), Prof. Jacek Czaputowicz with his book „Polska i Trump. Jak zostaliśmy ważnym sojusznikiem USA” („Poland and Trump: How We Became an Important Ally of the USA”), Alan Friedman with his book „The End of America?: A Guide to the New World Disorder”, Konstanty Gebert with his book „Pokój z widokiem na wojnę. Historia Izraela” („A Room with a View of War: A History of Israel”), Prof. Roberto Gonzalez with his book „War Virtually”, Prof. Yasheng Huang with his book „The Rise and Fall of the EAST: How Exams, Autocracy, Stability, and Technology Brought China Success, and Why They Might Lead to Its Decline”, Vaclav Klaus with his book „In Defence of Normalcy”, Simon Kuper with his book „Football Against The Enemy”, Dr Tamilla Triantoro with her book „Converging Minds”, and Prof. Andrzej Zybertowicz with his book „AI Exploration”.

Guests at the events could receive books prepared by the Book Institute, which were available after the meetings along with a dedication and the author's autograph.



Jacek Wasilewski, Jerzy Bralczyk



Łukasz Gacek, Yasheng Huang



MEDIA

on the Economic Forum



„At Rzeczpospolita, we consider dialogue to be the foundation of democracy; that is why we consistently support the Economic Forum in Karpacz and its organizers.”



„Key politicians, managers, local government officials, scientists, and representatives of NGOs discussed the most pressing topics during the 32nd Economic Forum in Karpacz. The highlight of the Forum was the awarding of prizes to outstanding individuals and distinguished economic entities.”



„New Values of the Old Continent – Europe on the Brink of Change – was the main theme of the 32nd Economic Forum in Karpacz. The total number of people involved in the event reached 8,000. More than 550 events – including debates, discussion panels, plenary and special sessions, and interviews – posed not only a logistical but also a technological challenge.”



„The conference is conducted in two languages (Polish and English), but is even more multilingual when it comes to the participants in the debates. A typical debate featured guests from Hungary, Poland, the Czech Republic, and Germany.”

Le Monde

„The Economic Forum is undeniably a gathering of economic and political elites from Central and Eastern Europe. The Forum has become a symbol of Poland's ambition to be recognized as a legitimate regional power within the new, enlarged European Union.”

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„This year's edition of the Economic Forum in Karpacz attracted over 6,000 guests – another attendance record in the history of this largest and one of the most important conferences of its kind organized in Poland.”

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„This year's Forum was attended by key politicians, managers, local government officials, scientists, representatives of non-governmental organizations and other areas of social life. The Economic Forum in Karpacz, as every year, was a platform for conducting dialogue in all areas that connect them.”

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„The Economic Forum, organized for over three decades, has become a key point on the map of economic and political events in our part of Europe. The guests of the Forum include presidents, heads of government, ministers, politicians, CEOs of corporations, people of culture, scientists, journalists and representatives of non-governmental organizations.”

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„The Economic Forum has been a place for important declarations regarding economic policy for years, and the opinions of participants are quoted by numerous media and then discussed by expert circles. This year's edition was no different.”

AFP

„The Economic Forum is a meeting of the economic and political elites of Central and Eastern Europe.”

FT FINANCIAL TIMES

„European challenges were discussed by Lech Wałęsa, Marek Belka, Tadeusz Mazowiecki, and Italian Cardinal Renato Martino. Mazowiecki emphasized that not only is Europe's success in a global context important – to preserve its identity, Europe must safeguard its values and draw on its traditions. The President of the Pontifical Council Iustitia et Pax spoke about the significance of truth, freedom, solidarity, and responsibility in politics, the economy, and science.”

ANSA

„The Economic Forum, organised for over thirty years, is a meeting place for representatives of the world of politics, business and science. Guests include presidents, heads of government, ministers, politicians and local government officials, company presidents, people of culture, renowned scientists, journalists, commentators and representatives of non-governmental organisations.”



INSTITUTE

The Foundation Institute for Eastern Studies (ISW) works to promote cooperation among European countries, particularly in Central and Eastern Europe. The Foundation's mission is to create a platform for dialogue and collaboration between key sectors from Poland and abroad, with the aim of strengthening Poland's international position, increasing the inflow of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI), and supporting local communities.

In order to deepen the subject matter of the debates that take place during the Economic Forum, the Institute of Eastern Studies organizes events devoted to selected topics from the Forum, with the participation of politicians and experts of recognized reputation.

These include: the European Congress of Local Governments, the Healthcare Forum, the Financial Ranking of Local Governments, the Europe-Ukraine Forum, the Industrial Forum, the Innovation Forum.



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STABILITY IN TIMES OF CHANGE



For many years, the Economic Forum in Karpacz has served as a meeting place for ideas, experience, and visions shaping the development of the modern world. Lower Silesia is proud to play a role in co-creating this event, which has become one of the most important platforms for economic and social dialogue. Here, in the heart of our region, concepts and partnerships are forged that help define the direction of future development.

The theme of this year's edition, "Architecture of the new order – Stability in times of change," aptly reflects the challenges facing Europe and the wider world today. The contemporary economic and geopolitical landscape requires both the courage to think boldly about the future and the responsibility to make sound decisions. Lower Silesia is a region actively engaged in building such stability. We invest in modern transport infrastructure, the development of healthcare services, innovation, and the international expansion of our businesses. We believe that economic growth must go hand in hand with

enhancing the quality of life for our residents and strengthening the potential of local communities. International cooperation is equally important, as it enables us to respond more effectively to global challenges and to foster lasting relationships founded on trust and partnership.

It is through dialogue and the exchange of experience that we create the foundations for sustainable economic and social development. I am convinced that our discussions contribute to solutions that have a tangible impact on the development of regions, countries, and Europe as a whole. As the host region of the event, Lower Silesia remains open to new ideas and cooperation. I am confident that this year's Forum will once again inspire the development of a stable and modern future built on dialogue, innovation, and partnership.

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