The Central Institute for Labour Protection – National Research Institute has played the role of Polish National CIS Centre since 1960, i.e., almost from the beginning of the existence of the CIS Centres network (1959). The Institute is a research institution comprehensively dealing with the problems of improving working conditions in accordance with human psychophysical abilities.

The Central Institute for Labour Protection was established in 1950. As the first institute in Poland, it became a national research institute. This status was conferred by the Ordinance of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Poland of 5 November 2002.

Since 7\textsuperscript{th} May 2004 CIOP-PIB has been a notified body in the area of the following EU directives: 98/37/EC (concerning machinery), 89/686/EEC (concerning personal protective equipment) and 2000/14/EC (concerning noise emission).

The main aim of the Institute’s activity is conducting research and development works leading to new technical and organizational solutions in the field of labour protection, related to occupational safety, health and ergonomics as well as carrying out other tasks especially important for reaching the goals of the state’s social-economic policy in this field.

CIOP-PIB main activities in the field of OSH include: research and implementation work; standardization; determination of exposure limits; testing and certification of machinery and manufacturing devices, personal and collective protective equipment; certification of the competence of personnel and educational bodies active in the field of OSH; promotion, implementation and certification of OSH management systems; consultations, education and training in OSH as well as promotion, information and publishing activity in this area and international cooperation with OSH institutes and international organizations.

Research activities of the Institute are based on a large range of laboratory and field studies. All studies concern the working environment factors: psychophysiological factors (human physiology and hygiene, biomechanics, psychology, with respect to sex and age of employees) and hazardous factors (electromagnetic fields, noise, vibration, electrically charged aerosols, chemical and dust pollution).

CIOP-PIB consists of seven research departments: Department of Vibroacoustic Hazards, Department of Bioelectromagnetism, Department of Safety Engineering,
Research Programmes

In 2005, as in previous years, most of the research and development work in CIOP-PIB was being carried out within the National Programme on *Adaptation of working conditions in Poland to European Union standards*. The main objective of the programme, approved by the Polish Government, is to develop and disseminate legal, organizational and technical solutions supporting the attainment in Poland of a level of occupational safety and health in accordance with the requirements of European Union directives. Phase 1 of the Programme, carried out in 2002-2004, covered 70 research projects and 58 projects related to state services. Phase 2, carried out in 2005-2007, covers 27 research projects and 74 projects related to state services.

In 2005 the Institute completed four Commissioned Targeted Projects, commissioned by the small, medium and big enterprises, concerning personal protective measures as well as implementation of production technology of electricity isolation tools. That year CIOP-PIB carried out also 2 stages in the frame of the research project: “The development of products and equipment of high technology” of the Institute for Sustainable Technologies - National Research Institute. In the cooperation with the Social Insurance Institution CIOP-PIB completed also 5 research projects connected with accidents prevention.

International Cooperation

CIOP-PIB’s international scientific co-operation was carried out within the framework of EU Programmes (e.g. R&D Framework Programmes of the European Union), bilateral agreements, co-operation with foreign institutes and international organizations as well as participation in European and international networks (EUROSHNET, PEROSH) and international comparative tests.

CIOP-PIB has been involved in several projects carried out within the EU Framework Programmes, of which the most important have been: in FP5 - Centre for Testing and Measurement for Improvement of Safety of Products and Working Life - TEST-PRO-SAFETY-LIFE - (2002-2005), Sustaining Working Ability in the Nursing Profession – Investigation of Premature Departure from Work - NEXT (2003-2005); in FP6 - Advanced Interactive Materials by Design - AIMS (2004 – 2008), Effects Of The Exposure To Electromagnetic Fields: From Science To Public Health And Safer Workplace - EMF-NET (2004 – 2008), Development of a cost-effective moisture and thermal barrier layer for protective clothes based on an innovative combination of wrap-knitted textiles and hydrogel polymer coatings, introducing new standards which will prevent low quality imports and increase competition of 20000 European SMEs - SAFE&COOL (2004 – 2006).

The Institute co-operates with many international organizations: the International Labour Organization, the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Dublin) and the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work.
CIOP-PIB, as an institution competent in Poland in the area of OSH, is the Polish Focal Point in the Agency’s network. The Institute has also been cooperating with the Agency carrying out project in Topic Centres - as the Topic Centre Leader - prepared in response to the Agency’s calls for proposals: Topic Centre Enlargement Action – TCEA which is the continuation of TCNMS in 2005.

Furthermore, CIOP-PIB participated in other projects of the Agency:
- Provision of research and associated services related to a project on Economic performance and Occupational Safety and Health (2005-2006)

The Institute was also involved in other international projects:
- Study on Definition and Feasibility for: European Database on Personal Protective Equipment – a tool to identify the personal protective equipment best fitting for the purpose (2005-2006)
- Accident Prevention Options With Motorcycle Helmets – PROHELM (2005-2009). The project is carried out within the European Cooperation in the field of Scientific and Technical Research (COST)

The Institute’s staff actively participated in the works of the European Technology Platform on Industrial Safety (ETPIS), who brings together people from the industry, research organisations, networks, banks and insurance companies in order to plan, promote and perform future research to make the industry safer.

In 2005 CIOP-PIB also carried out also expert evaluations, opinions and training commissioned by enterprises and institutions.

The Institute continued also testing, standardization and certification activities as well as promotion and educational, editorial and publishing as well as information activities.

Promotion activities of occupational safety, health and ergonomics knowledge that year included many forms as: seminars, workshops, trade fairs, exhibitions, competitions and the support of the development of the Safe Work Leaders’ Forum was well as OSH Experts Network Certified by CIOP-PIB. CIOP-PIB also took part in and organized several conferences, seminars and meetings.

The Safe Work Leader’s Forum activities were continued. It provides an opportunity to exchange experience in the field of shaping safe working conditions using the analysis of the causes and results of accidents at work and preventing them.

CIOP-PIB took part in Polish and foreign OSH events, promoting occupational safety and health problems and solutions, e.g. – during the 16th International Fair of Labour Protection, Rescue and Fire SAWO 2005 in Poznań, where the Institute,
among other activities, organized a seminar: “Protection against noise” and 2 exhibitions of OSH posters.


In Brussels during the 54rd World Exhibition of Innovation, Research and New Technology “Brussels Eureka 2005” CIOP-PiB was awarded the Golden Medal for Automatic Welding Filter with Hybrid Construction of Input.

At “Innovation - Technologies – Machines” Fairs in Poznań the Institute was also awarded: for Immersion Suit for Permanent Use in Ports and other Water Industrial Facilities CIOP-PiB got the Golden Medal and for Clothing Protecting Against Microwave Radiation- Silver Medal.

The Institute, as the Polish Focal Point of the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work, organized events connected with the European Week for Safety and Health at Work 2005 “Stop that Noise”. The Institute organized, among others, press conferences, an educational picnic, seminars, workshops and many other events as part of the Polish edition of the European Campaign “Stop that Noise”. In 2005 a new activity was started. This project entitled: “Healthier workplace initiative” is aimed at new EU member states and is organized for small and medium enterprises

CIOP-PiB was also one of the organizers of the launching event of the European Technology Platform “Industrial Safety”, in which representatives of European countries took part.

In 2005 the XXXIII edition of the National Competition for the Improvement of Working Conditions was another promotion activity organized by CIOP-PiB. This Competition is organized every year together with government offices and social partners. In this edition 49 entries were sent; 9 awards and 9 distinctions were awarded.

Three workshops for the OSH Experts Network Certified by CIOP-PiB were also organized.

The Institute’s activity connected with organizing every year the OSH Poster Competition was continued. That year the subject was “Stop that Noise”; 286 posters were accepted; 3 main awards, 5 distinctions and 1 honorary distinction were awarded. 50 best posters were presented at exhibitions. In 2005 CIOP-PiB organized also the artistic competitions for children on noise hazards.

Four competitions for children on the subjects of safety behaviours were also organized.

CIOP - PiB was granted awards and distinctions in Poland and abroad for research and implementation activities as well as for solutions, which reduce hazards in the working environment.

CIOP-PiB Training activities, carried out by the Centre for Education, was provided for about 1500 people. The Centre organized and conducted several types of training activities:

- post-graduate studies for about 322 people: “Safety and Protection of Man in the Working Environment” – two types: traditional and distance ones via the Internet. Participants of the studies were among others OSH services personnel, workers of: sanitary-epidemiological stations, army, training centres, OSH private firms,
- basic and refresher courses for employers, managers, personnel of safety and health services, administrative personnel;
- 52 specialist courses, e.g. on specific hazards at a workstation, ergonomic evaluation of working conditions, occupational hazards, safety culture, OSH Polish and EU legislation, safety culture or first aid.
- other educational activities, as 2 educational projects in cooperation with other institutions, elaborating and verification of educational materials, training for the lecturers etc.

Publication activities of CIOP-PIB were continued, aiming at popularization of OSH knowledge and increasing the interests in occupational safety and ergonomics of the employers and employees. Many printed publications were prepared: monographs, guides, handbooks, conference and training materials, brochures, leaflets, CD-ROMs, computer programs, etc.

The Institute also continued the publication of its journals:
- International Journal of Occupational Safety and Ergonomics JOSE (in English)
- Podstawy i Metody Oceny Środowiska Pracy (Principles and Methods of Assessing the Working Environment)
- Bezpieczeństwo Pracy – nauka i praktyka (Occupational Safety – Science and Practice)

The CIOP-PIB publication: „International Journal of Occupational Safety and Ergonomics (JOSE)” was that year selected for coverage in the Social Science Citation Index (SSCI) and included in it.

In 2005 CIOP-PIB continued its certification activity in the area of: product certification (e.g. personal and collective equipment, machinery and technical equipment, ladders, chain saws, isolation and protective high voltage equipment), OSH management systems as well as personnel’s competence.

Standardization activities were also conducted. According to the 5 Technical Committees, whose secretariats are located in CIOP-PIB, 119 projects of own Polish Standards (PN) and Polish Standards (ON-EN), which were the implementation of European Standards, were elaborated. Moreover the surveys of European Standards projects were conducted. CIOP-PIB experts took part also in other normalization activities. The database “INFONORM” was updated and revised.

Information activities
Information activity is a very important way of spreading the knowledge of Polish and foreign achievements in OSH, which could be of a great importance for practitioners and theoreticians.

In 2005 the OSH information activities were conducted by the Centre for Scientific and Documentation and specifically by - the Section for Documentation and Information as well as the Library.

The library of CIOP-PIB is a specialist library, with an extensive collection (about 33,000) of books in the area of broad knowledge on safety and health protection of man in the working environment. The interdisciplinary nature of the subject means that the library resources cover almost all areas of science, both human sciences and technical sciences. There is also an extensive collection of books of a universal nature - dictionaries, encyclopaedias, lexicons and guidebooks, as well as archive publications of historical significance from the 1920s, 1930s and 1940s. The subjects of archive publications include: psychology, physiology, medicine, chemistry, toxicology, occupational safety etc.
The CIOP-PIB Library collection mainly deals with:
1. Safety and health of man in the working environment,
2. Physics, chemistry and environmental hazards,
3. Occupational medicine, psychology and hygiene,
4. Ergonomics, psychology and sociology of work,
5. Personal and collective protection equipment,
6. Environmental engineering, safety engineering and techniques,
7. Social aid and insurance

In 2005 the Library had 320 titles of journals, including - subscribed to 233 Polish and 87 foreign scientific and specialist journals.

The automatization of the library activities was continued. The electronic catalogue of the Library sources was updated in the ALEPH system. Descriptions of all new publications were inputted as were archive materials. This was the development of the ALEPH-CIOP-PIB database with its 7 under-databases. In 2005 the card catalogue was stopped and only electronic one was continued. The new ALEPH programme for reports was installed and other works on the development of ALEPH system in the Library were completed. The works on the implementation of the next ALEPH module- Lending, were started.

In 2005 the Library's website was expanded, which helped to promote the Library resources among Internet users.

The activities in Scientific Libraries Consortium were continued with the access to EBSCO and PROQUEST Internet sources.

The information services for Polish and foreign users were conducted by the Section for Documentation and Information as well as the Library in many forms as: answering queries on publications and many problems connected with occupational safety, health, ergonomics, preparing the lists of Polish and foreign literature on chosen subjects with the use of the Internet and CIOP-PIB and other sources, elaborating the databases, etc.

Except the information activities typical for every information centres, the Section for Documentation and Information fullfield, in the name of CIOP-PIB, the role of two centres, working in the international networks of such centres.

In 2005 the Centre for Scientific Information and Documentation continued its work connected with CIOP-PIB’s role as the Polish National Focal Point of the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work. The Focal Point continued to cooperate with the National Information Network, which includes, following the Agency's recommendations, representatives of state institutions, research institutes, employers and trade unions. The Focal Point organized and coordinated the Polish edition of the information campaign: European Week of Safety and Health at Work 2005 “Stop that Noise”. In 2005 the website of the Focal Point (www.bp.edu.pl) was also developed and broadened.

CIS INFORMATION ACTIVITIES

The CIOP-PIB’s Centre for Scientific Information and Documentation performed the activities of the Polish National CIS Centre. In 2005 the Polish CIS Centre’s
activities were continued as part of the Polish national programme: “Adaptation of Working Conditions in Poland to European Union standards”. The Central Institute for Labour Protection – National Research Institute was the coordinator and main performer of this Programme; it worked with several other Polish institutions on its implementation.

The main aim of the Polish National CIS Centre activity was to use the CIS network to promote internationally Polish literature and OSH achievements as well as to use the CIS international occupational safety and health information system to help Polish users to stay informed about foreign publications and data.

I. The National CIS Centre service for Polish specialists (based, among others, on CIS information)

For its users the Polish National CIS Centre has a collection of all the most important CIS publications, including all CIS databases, printed archival and new publications, as the ILO Encyclopaedia in several languages (on CD-ROM and printed). They are available in CIOP-PIB Library.

In 2005 the Centre run the main information activities for Polish users in the following groups:

1. Collecting publications and information materials obtained from the CIS network
2. Distribution and lending of these documents
3. Dissemination of information from and on CIS sources; CIS Centre information activities
4. Development of the Polish National CIS Centre’s website

That year about 220 documents were collected from the CIS information system. They were foreign journals, books and reports on institute activities, African and Asian OSH Newsletters, CIS Newsletter, leaflets on ILO and other institutions’ publications, catalogues of publications, databases, etc., all free of charge. All the leaflets and so called “grey literature” was collected in a separate file.

Acquired publications were lent to the users, promoted in various ways and used for information activities of the CIS Centre.

In 2005 for information activities the Centre also used other sources such as the subscribed databases, for example “OSH-ROM” (containing CISDOC, which is very useful and used very frequently to meet our users’ information needs), “Fire Worldwide, Emergency and Preparedness” (a new name of “Fire Worldwide”), Internet database: “OSH-UPDATE” and other databases. The CISDOC-TEXT database was also subscribed to have the possibility to give the users complete texts of chosen documents.

The acquired publications were processed, catalogued and included in the CIOP-PIB Library collection. Their descriptions were entered into the CIOP-PIB’s Library computer catalogue in the ALEPH system, which is accessible via the Internet to Polish and foreign users at the following Library address: http://www.ciop.pl/395.html

All the publications, CIS information and leaflets on CIS Centres activity were also promoted among others in the form of exhibitions in CIOP-PIB library, during training courses in CIOP-PIB and at Polish OSH events such as trade fairs and conferences.
The Polish CIS National Centre runs its information activities with the use of resources acquired from the CIS network, including running searches and preparing literature lists for specific subjects. In 2005 more than 60 lists of literature on chosen subjects were prepared.

The Centre promoted CIS occupational safety and health information in several forms (emails, website, paper, conferences and courses).

On the basis of many sources: databases, the computer ALEPH catalogue, CIS publications and Internet sources etc. the Centre answered questions and requests on Polish and foreign OSH problems from different groups of users; eg. employers, inspectors, scientists and industry workers, students and many other specialists.

In 2005 the Polish CIS Centre sent electronic information on new OSH information sources and various aspects of occupational safety and health in many countries to more than 180 users. The “CIS Newsletter” and different information sources as were also sent to them; eg. tables of documents contents or copies of the more important items. Some institutions also asked for paper copies, e.g. of the “CIS Newsletter”.

As in previous years - translations of short texts from other languages were also made available to the users as well as full texts of selected documents from the CISDOC-TEXT database. Language help were also available.

To acquire information and publications needed by Polish specialists the Polish CIS Centre contacted also the International CIS Centre in Geneva, CIS Centres in other countries as well and other institutions.

In 2005 the works on the broadening and developing the Polish National CIS Centre website were continued: http://ciop.pl/1568.html

New sections and under-sections were developed, new groups of information were inserted and it was constantly updated with new data, which help to make available to reach the latest information sources by the Internet users.

The Polish National CIS Centre also took part in promoting 28 April, the World Day for Safety and Health at Work in Poland. Prepared information texts and other materials were distributed to many users and institutions in printed and electronic forms, inserted in the website together with important links to other institution websites, etc.

All those the Centre activities were aimed at broadening the knowledge of Polish specialists about foreign achievements in the field of protection of man in the working environment.

II. International promotion of Polish OSH publications and achievements by the OSH international CIS information system

Having the chance to be a member of such a group of institutions from so many countries, as the network of about 140 National and Collaborating CIS Centres, gives the opportunity to spread Polish OSH information abroad, to promote our achievements in the occupational safety and health, ergonomics, safety engineering, safety culture, hazards evaluation and many other subjects.

To fulfill this aim in 2005 the Polish National CIS Centre run among others the following groups of activities:
1. Selecting the most valuable Polish OSH publications in cooperation with a group of Polish OSH institutions
2. Preparing abstracts in English of these documents for International CIS Centre publications and databases
3. Preparing short information texts on Polish OSH achievements and events for CIS international publications
4. Updating and developing the English version of the website of the Polish National CIS Centre
5. Providing to other countries information on Polish OSH problems by the collaboration with the network of CIS Centres institutions
6. Starting the works on elaborating in English the database of Polish OSH literature

In 2005 the National CIS Centre continued its cooperation with a group of Polish OSH institutions in choosing the best publications for abstracting and acquiring copies of Polish books, journals, legal regulations, etc. That year the Centre organized the action of enlisting new institutions for cooperation and started it with 14 editorial offices of the most important Polish OSH journals, which sent free of charge the copies of their journals for abstracting. The Centre developed 240 abstracts in English and sent them together with the documents to the International CIS Centre. The abstracts selected by the International CIS Centre were inputted into the CISDOC database and the ILO-CIS Bulletin. That year some new rules for preparing the abstracts, developed by the Centre in Geneva were accepted.

Some information texts on Polish OSH events were also sent to CIS international publications (“CIS Newsletter” and “Bulletin ILO-CIS”).

In 2005 an English version of the website (which was elaborated in 2004) was developed and updated [www.ciop.pl/7292.htm](http://www.ciop.pl/7292.htm)

New sections and under-sections were added. This gives the possibility to inform international specialists on Polish OSH and the National CIS Centre’s activities in a broad way, which allows the Internet.

The Polish National CIS Centre also followed the requests from foreign CIS Centres and informed foreign users on Polish OSH problems.

Polish OSH information materials were also distributed during International CIS Centres Meetings in Geneva and Orlando.

A new activity initiated in 2005 was the development of the database of Polish literature, elaborated in English. The aim of these works was to promote broader the information about Polish documents and by them – Polish achievements in the occupational safety and health. That year the scope and concept of the OSH-BHP database, the format of the record in ALEPH system etc. were prepared as well as input rules and searching possibilities were tested on the sample of the abstracts. The abstracts are based on the abstracts in CIS format, sent to International CIS Centre.

### III. Promotion in Poland of information on CIS network, International and Polish CIS Centre activities
As every National CIS Centre, the Polish one promoted data on CIS network in its country in the aim to give the chance for the national OSH specialists to broaden the knowledge of international OSH information sources as well as to use CIS information in their work. For this reason the same information channels, as for OSH information, were mainly used.

1. Information materials in CIOP-PIB Library, Information Centre, internal exhibitions
2. Promotion during CIOP-PIB conferences, training and other events
3. Promotion by post and by electronic way to the CIS Centre users
4. Distribution at Polish national and international OSH events
5. Promotion by the Polish CIS Centre website
6. Articles in Polish journals and books
7. Presentation during conference on information science

In 2005 information on the International CIS Centre and other Centres activities as well as the Polish National CIS leaflets on the CIS information network, were distributed among the participants of CIOP-PIB training courses, library users, national and international OSH trade fairs, conferences and other events.

Information on the International Labour Organization, the International CIS Centre and the whole CIS network were inputted into the Polish National CIS Centre’s website, which is located within the CIOP-PIB portal at [www.ciop.pl/1568.html](http://www.ciop.pl/1568.html)

In 2005 two articles partly devoted to the CIS information system were elaborated in Polish as well as the chapter to the book. (Articles on CIS Centres and their activities have been published in Polish scientific journals every year since 1998). During the conference: “VIII Forum of Scientific Information” in Zakopane the Polish CIS Centre presented the lecture also about CIS problems.

In 2005 the promoting poster on being a CIS Centre – a member of a world information network (which all Centres acquired from the International CIS Centre during the 2004 CIS Meeting) was still displayed in several places.

To inform the Polish OSH community on the activities and information services of CIOP-PIB - the Polish National CIS Centre the same information channels were also used.

All these activities form a broad promotion of the CIS system in Poland and let Polish specialists know they can use this source of OSH information to find needed data, which are the latest, reliable, elaborated by OSH experts from International Labour Organization as well as other important OSH institutions.

IV. Cooperation with the International CIS Centre and the whole network

In 2005 the cooperation with the International CIS Centre in Geneva and with other CIS Centres was continued and successfully developed.

1. Correspondence and cooperation with the International CIS Centre and other CIS Centres
2. Cooperation in developing the CIS thesaurus and CIOP-PIB thesaurus
3. Taking part in the works of three Working Groups
4. Sending Polish OSH publications to foreign CIS Centres
5. Participating in the 2 Meetings of CIS Centres
6. Working visit in International CIS Centre

The Polish CIS Centre prepared for the International CIS Centre lists of terms, which could be useful in developing the CIS Thesaurus it also carried the works in revising the CIOP-PIB thesaurus on the basis of the CIS Thesaurus.

In 2005 preparing and sending abstracts of Polish literature was the continuation of international cooperation in elaborating the OSH information sources.

The Polish CIS Centre took part in the works of organized on CIS Meeting in Geneva the Working Groups: 1. Publicity, Promotion and Communication Strategy; 3. CIS Thesaurus and Glossary; 4. Training and e-Training. The texts for the written documents of these Groups were prepared by Polish Centre.

Cooperation and exchange of materials and information were conducted with CIS Geneva and also with other institutions, such as the ILO Subregional Office for Central and Eastern Europe (CEET) or Sheila Pantry Associates Ltd, which let us to promote Polish information in the international publications as for example “CIS Newsletter”.

The Polish CIS Centre cooperated also with other CIS Centres. It made it possible to acquire publications and information needed by Polish users from other countries as well as to inform foreign specialists on Polish OSH achievement and literature.

A representative of the Polish CIS Centre participated in 2005 in the first Regional CIS Centres’ Meeting in Geneva, having the opportunity to exchange the knowledge and publications on occupational safety and health, to acquire the latest information on the activities of the International CIS Centre and the other CIS Centres, to spread information on Polish Centre activities and Polish OSH publications. Useful contacts with other CIS Centres were established.

The head of Scientific Information and Documentation Centre took part in the Meeting of CIS Centres organized during the World OSH Congress in Orlando. The presentation on Polish CIS activity was prepared as well as the Report in English of 2004 activities.

A Polish representative had also a working visit in the International CIS Centre, which made it possible to learn about the requirements and plans of new CIS managements, to exchange and acquire information and materials and to discuss the problems of National CIS Centres’ activities. Selected departments of International Labour Office were also visited, which let to broaden the knowledge on ILO activities and to acquire very important ILO publications and information.
Summary

In 2005 the Polish National CIS Centre continued its activities and to broaden them. The activities were continued in four groups of activities: (international promoting of the Polish OSH achievements and literature by CIS network, using this network for acquiring information and publications for Polish OSH specialists, promotion of CIS activities and services in Poland, cooperation with International CIS Centre and other CIS Centres).

That year the activities were also broaden in every group of activities. The number of information users was extended as well as the forms of promoting CIS - and about CIS - information. Stronger stress was put on using modern ways of information spreading, as Internet, which was used for broader spreading electronic information by emails and for extending and updating the website of Polish National CIS Centre in Polish and English. A new Polish literature database in English was started, which is one of the ways to give the chance to foreign users to make acquainted with it. Extending a group of co-workers of the Polish CIS Centre in choosing the Polish literature for preparing abstracts for foreign OSH information sources let to broaden internationally information on Polish OSH achievements. Broaden spreading in Poland information on CIS network and its services could help Polish specialists to achieve latest and of good quality information on the problems of occupational safety, health, ergonomics and connected subjects in theory and practice.

The cooperation with the International CIS Centre in Geneva and the National and Collaborating Information Centres is of a very great importance, very useful for us and the Polish National CIS Centre would like to express its gratitude to the CIS/ILO International Centre personnel, as well as to Ms. Sheila Pantry, an OSH information consultant, for their fast, kind and helpful assistance as well as to other CIS Centres for their cooperation.

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