- (3) Organizing and sponsoring national symposia, workshops, conferences and schools devoted to important topics in computer science and technology. In the years 1985-87 more than 1500 persons participated in such meetings.
- (4) Organizing and sponsoring international meetings, such as one of the annual meetings of IFIP W.G.2.2 Formal Description of Programming Concepts, June 1988, a meeting of IFIP W.G.2.4 System Implementation Languages or an ICL Congress 1988.
- (5) Publishing the Bulletin of the Polish Information Processing Society.
- (6) Commenting on plans and projects advanced by government agencies concerned with information-processing development and applications in Poland.
- (7) Publishing statements (plans, reports, etc.) concerned with information processing in Poland and addressed to government and public institutions. For instance the Society's position paper has significantly influenced and contributed to the devolopment of the Ministry of Education program: "Elements of Informatics in Secondary Schools".

Polish Information Processing Society is open for a national and international cooperation with other bodies in all fields of common interest and concern.

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Polish Information Processing Society is a nonprofit organization of professionals in the field of information processing. Established in 1981 today it has more than 1600 individual members and about 270 institutional (supporting) members. 25% of our members come from universities, 14% from non-university research institutes, 4% from research and development centers, 1% are employed in government administration and 34% in the industry, state and privately owned.

The Society is governed by the General Executive Committee elected every three years by the General Assembly of Delegates. The General Assembly elects also the President of the Society and other administrative bodies. The Society is not affiliated in any way with any larger organization in Poland. Its budget consists of the membership fees and of a small overhead charged on professional services rendered by members.

The main goals of the Society are the following:

- (1) to promote and support activities oriented at the development of computer science, computer technology and its applications.
- (2) to help its members, and other persons working in information processing, to improve their professional qualification.
- (3) to help in the exchange of technical information within the community of information-processing professionals.
- (4) to contribute to the education of nonprofessionals in the applications of information technology,
- (5) to represent its members, their professional opinions, needs and rights in Poland and abroad.

The Society achieves its goals by:

- (1) Establishing and sponsoring special-interest groups concerned with particular topices in computer science and technology such as, e.g.,: data bases, formal methods of software engineering, computer graphics, informatics in management, the ADA programming language etc. Among other activities this includes organization of seminars given by Polish and foreign specialists.
- (2) Establishing dedicated committees charged with selected problems deemed important for the development of information processing and its applications in Poland, e.g.,: The Committee for the Education in Informatics and The Standing Committee on Legal and Economic Aspects of Software Production.