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Many Polish anthropologists belong to the Polish Anthropological Society (Polskie Towarzystwo Antropologiczne – PTA). The PTA's most significant event is its biannual meeting the International Congress of the Polish Anthropological Society. This year, the congress took place in Gdańsk. Its subject was very interesting and deep: „Man is the measure of all things” („Wszystkich rzeczy miarą jest człowiek”). The meeting was opened on Thursday, the 11th of September at 9 a.m. by the mayor of Gdańsk. After a short speech by professor Danuta Kornafel, the president of the PTA, Grzegorz Musiał presented his paper „The human body in art throughout the ages”.

The congress consisted of the following sections: ontogeny, human ecology and the anthropology of culture, paleoanthropology, the promotion of health, paleopathology, and more. The members could attend different kinds of lectures and take part in presenting their posters. The institute of Ecology and Bioethic UKSW was represented by ks. dr Jacek Tomczyk, who presented the paper „Are taxonomic controversies inherent in anthropologists' nature?”

The first evening the participants and their guests were invited to the Gdańsk Zoo by its director. There we could listen to the presentation about the habits of chimps born in the Zoo. Afterwards, we enjoyed a very nice barbeque. The second evening, members of the congress sailed from Gdańsk's Old City to Westerplatte.

Members of the Polish Anthropological Society decided to give the title of Honorary PTA Member to professors Andrzej Malinowski, Teresa Łaska-Mierzejewska and Jerzy Glinka. They are famous scientists in our country and abroad. It's worth nothing that professor Glinka is a priest and anthropologist who works in Indonesia, where he organized Surabaya University's department of anthropology.

The International Congress of the Polish Anthropological Society was closed on Saturday, the 13th of September by PTA president dr Danuta Kornafel.

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