



POLISH CHEMICAL SOCIETY (PCS)

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PRESENTATION

The Polish Chemical Society is a scientific association, and at the same time a public benefit institution, whose main goal is to promote the chemical sciences and spread knowledge of chemistry in society. PCS has nearly 2000 members affiliated to 18 Branches and 28 Sections, who are employed in universities, the chemical industry or education. The headquarters of PCS is a building at 16 Freta Street in Warsaw, where, on November 7, 1867, Maria Skłodowska-Curie was born. In addition to popular-scientific activities, PCS stimulates and supports the development of scientific research, among other, by organizing symposia and conferences, including, the annual Scientific Congress, which is the largest conference of chemists in Poland.

MISSION

Polish Chemical Society works for the chemical sciences, is a leading source of reliable scientific information, popularizes chemistry, integrates the world of science and industry, cares for the development of the younger generation, organizes conferences and scientific conventions, publishes "Chemical News", takes substantive care of the Chemistry Olympiad. PCS co-manages with the City of Warsaw the Museum of Maria Skłodowska - Curie in Warsaw.

HISTORY

PCS was founded on June 29, 1919, and is one of the oldest scientific societies in Poland. The founders of PCS were prominent chemists whose overriding goal was to unite the scientific community in the newly revived country just after regaining independence.

MAIN ACTIVITIES

- Organizing seminars, conferences and scientific conventions.
- Organizing public readings, lectures and courses.
- Publishing its own scientific journals and other publications that fall within the Society's activity profile.
- Substantive support of the Chemistry Olympiad.
- Establishment of libraries and collection of library collections.
- Cooperation with student scientific circles.
- Cooperation with scientific institutions and the economic environment.
- Awards of honors and prizes for achievements in chemistry and related disciplines,
- Promotion of chemistry in state and social forums.
- Expression of opinion on issues important to the development of chemical sciences and chemistry education.

ORGANIZATION

General Meeting of Members - the highest authority.

General Board - embracing the President and 8 members of the Executive Committee, Honorary President, Chairperson of the Society Branches and Chairperson of particular Scientific Sections.

Presidium of the General Board – embracing the President and 8 members of the Executive Committee, Honorary President of the Society, Immediate Past President (President for the previous term for the first year of the term of the new General Board).

Main Review Committee.

The authorities hold office for four year terms.

RESOURCES

1. The Polish Chemical Society co-manages with the City of Warsaw the Maria Skłodowska-Curie Museum located in the building where the great scientist was born in 1867.
2. Handy library containing a collection of historical chemistry books
3. Collection of manuscripts, prints, objects and memorabilia related to the history of the PCS