Polish National Occupational Safety and Health Information Centre CIS

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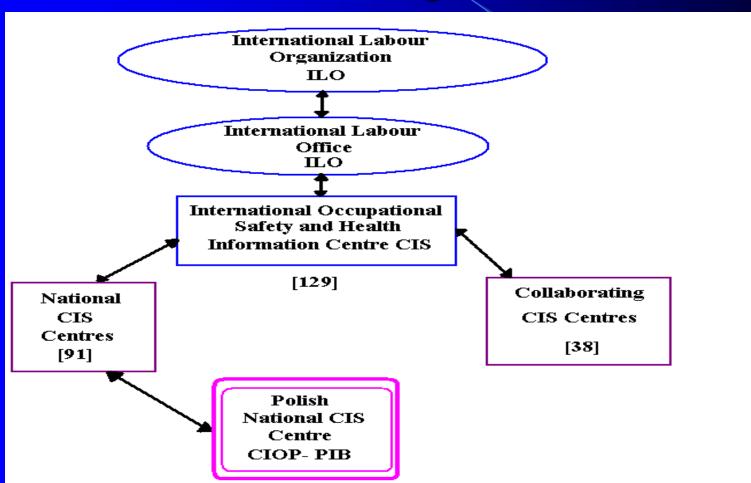
Modern Societies

- tend to become information societies
- their quick development requires the exchange of information on national and international level
- there is the growing need of cooperation in the framework of information acquisition, elaboration, dissemination

this is assured by:

international scientific information systems







- has been functioning since 1959 (44 years)
- consists of:

- International CIS Centre
- National CIS Centres (91)
- Collaborating CIS Centres (38)



- works in 96 countries on all continents:
- 67 countries, where there is only a National Centre
- 25 countries, where there is a National and a Collaborating Centre
- 5 countries, where there are 1 National and 2 Collaborating Centres
- **5 countries, where there is only a Collaborating Centre**
- 26 Centres are in European countries



 Is a great and powerful source of occupational safety and health data





CIS information system

"At the 2002 International Labour Conference in Geneva it was a source of satisfaction to see, among the government members of the committee, that was examining a new Protocol and Recommendation on the recording and notification on occupational accidents and diseases, 12 persons presently or formerly associated with the CIS National Centre in their countries".

The citation from the article of dr Emmert Clevenstine in the article on CIS system in the "African Newsletter on Occupational Health and Safety", no 2, 2002, p. 28-31



Polish National CIS Centre

- Its role is fulfilled by the Central Institute for Labour Protection National Research Institute (CIOP-PIB)
- It was organized in 1960 (one year after the establishment off International CIS Centre)
- The tasks of National CIS Centre are fulfilled by the Scientific Information and Documentation Centre, CIOP-PIB in cooperation with specialists from the Institute and other institutions

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Central Institute for Labour Protection – National Research Institute (CIOP-PIB)

- established in 1950
- as the first institute in Poland became a national research institute on 5 November 2002
- coordinator and the main performer of the National Programme "Adaptation of working conditions in Poland to EU standards" (2002-2004), realized in cooperation with many Polish outstanding institutions (150 projects)



Central Institute for Labour Protection – National Research Institute (CIOP-PIB)

CIOP-PIB aims at:

- creation of scientific foundations for system of preventing occupational hazards
- solving the problems of shaping OSH in the aspect of integration with the European Union



Central Institute for Labour Protection – National Research Institute CIOP-PIB)

- implements and disseminates the results of research in cooperation with the state administration organs and enterprises
- is active in scientific information, education, standardization and certification
- plays the role of National Focal Point of the European Agency for Safety and Health in Bilbao (since 2001)
- plays the role of the Polish National CIS Centre (since 1960)



Central Institute for Labour Protection – National Research Institute (CIOP-PIB)

Main activities:

- Research aimed at designing working conditions in accordance with occupational safety and ergonomics standards
- Determination of the Maximum Admissible Concentrations (MAC) and Intensities (MAI) and preparation of relevant documentation
- Development of standards on occupational safety and ergonomics, taking into account the requirements of European and international standards



Central Institute for Labour Protection – National Research Institute (CIOP-PIB)

Main activities (cont.):

- Testing and certification of machinery and manufacturing devices as well as personal and collective protective equipment
- Education and training of safety engineers, industrial hygienists as well as the representatives of employers and employees in the field of safety and health protection in the working environment
- Certification of the competence of personnel and educational bodies active in the field of occupational safety and health

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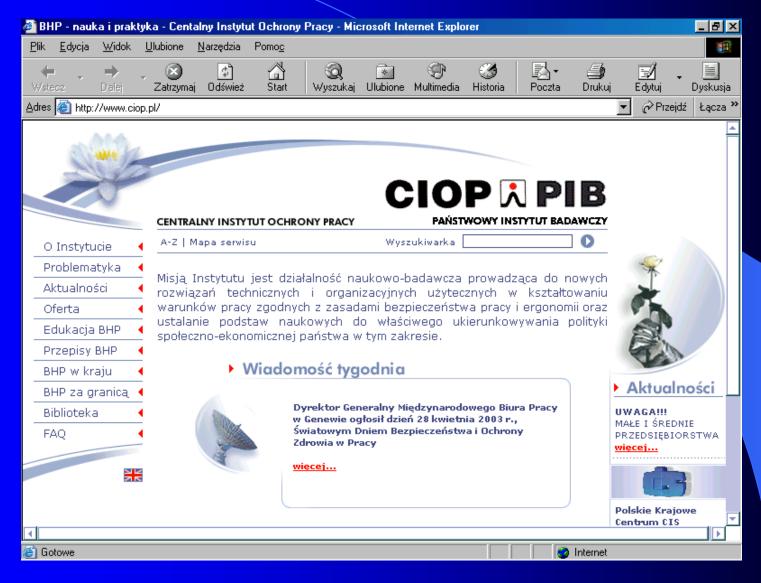
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Main activities (cont.):

- Promotion, implementation and certification of occupational safety and health management systems
- Consultations and co-operation with enterprises in identification, reduction and elimination of occupational hazards and related occupational risks
- Popularization of the principles of safe work promotion, information and publishing activity in this area

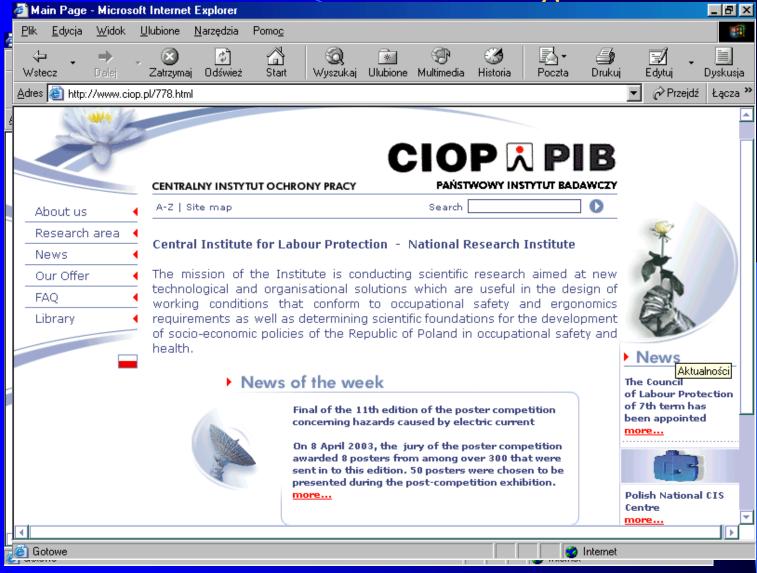


CIOP-PIB main website in Polish





CIOP-PIB main website in English





CIOP-PIB Library

- * interdisciplinary collection
 (OSH and many disciplines connected)
 - about 25,000 books (more then 38 vols)
 - 245 titles of Polish journals
 - 82 titles of foreign journals
- * also information materials, data bases and publications of research results
- * collection on OSH of historical value
- * catalogue of the collection in ALEPH system



The tasks of Polish National CIS Centre

- acquiring, cataloguing, lending and disseminating information and publications receiving from CIS network
- disseminating and promoting in Poland information on the activities, services and publications of the International CIS Centre, other Centres as well as Polish National CIS Centre
- cooperating and exchange of information and publications with the CIS network



The tasks of Polish National CIS Centre

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• running the information service based on, among others, CIS website, CIS information, publications and databases – CISDOC, CISDOC-TEXT, Chemical Safety CD-ROM, Your Health and Safety at Work, Occupational Safety and Health in Agriculture, Forestry and Livestock Rearing, ILO Encyclopaedia, IlO-CIS Bulletin, CIS Newsletter



The tasks of Polish National CIS Center

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Information service is fulfilled in many forms, eg.:

- answering the queries
- lending the publications
- preparing the lists of literature on chosen subjects (in 2002 more than 150 lists)
- disseminating CIS publications and information by the library, by email and post, on website, during the courses and training in CIOP-PIB and other institutions, during the OSH events



The tasks of Polish National CIS Centre

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- international promotion of the best Polish OSH achievements and publications by cooperation with CIS Centres network
 - by collaboration with International CIS Centre in the CISDOC database preparation (in 2002 - 123 abstracts of Polish OSH publications were prepared)
 - some by short information texts on important Polish OSH events for CIS publications, eg. CIS Newsletter



New forms of the Polish CIS Centre activities in 2002

- * broadening the scope of CIS information dissemination in Poland, widening of the group of Polish CIS Centre users as well as of the scope of information services by e-mailing to many Polish institutions information and materials received from CIS network
- * broadening the promotion forms of the activities and publications of the International CIS Centrum and other CIS Centres



New forms of the Polish CIS Centre activities in 2002

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- broadening the scope of international presentation of Polish publications and achievements by increasing the amount of abstracts for CISDOC and ILO-CIS Bulletin
- starting the organization of a cooperative group of the institutions, which at the first stage of cooperation will help in choosing the best Polish documents for abstracting



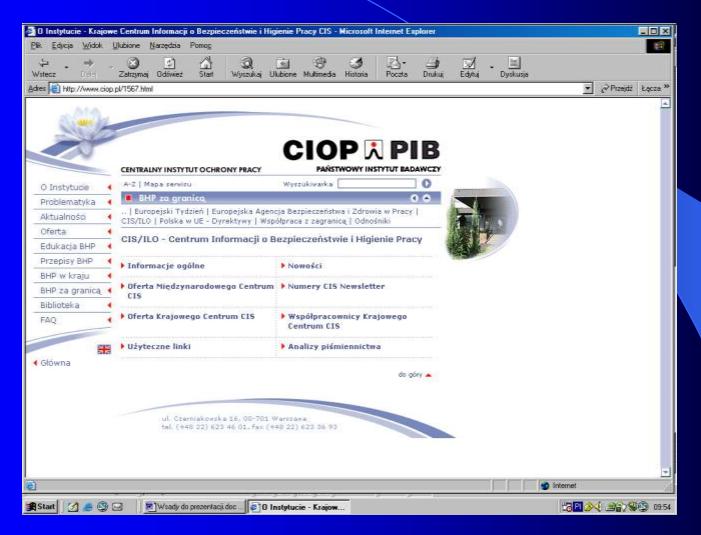
New forms of the Polish CIS Centre activities in 2002

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- promoting the new enlarged version of the Polish National CIS Centre portal (www.ciop.pl/1567.html)
- being able to offer Polish users the full-text of documents from CISDOC database by subscribing to the CISDOC-TEXT database

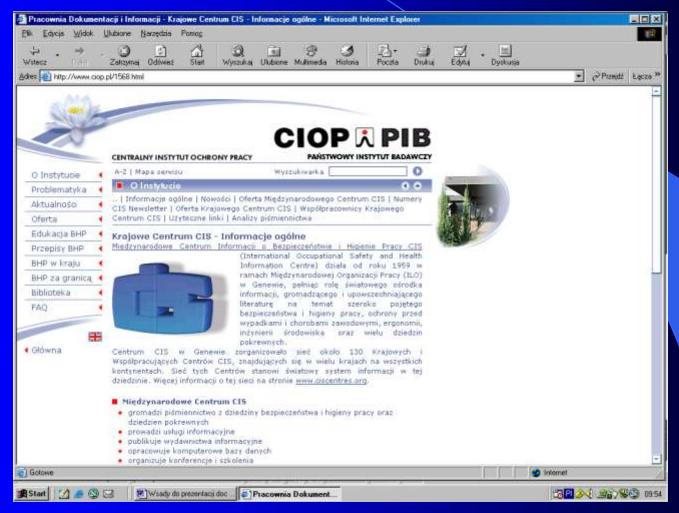


Polish National CIS Centre main website



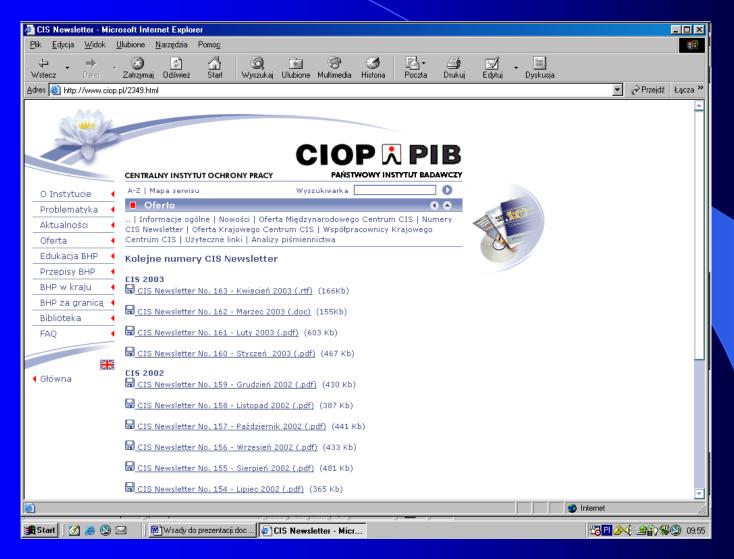


Website with the main information on CIS in Geneva and Polish CIS Centre





Website with the CIS Newsletter Archive





Conclusions

In 2002 the Polish CIS Centre activities were intensified and it is intended to sustain this trend

Taking part in the works of such a broad information system, as CIS, allows to:

- acquire OSH information and publications from the whole world for Polish users
- promote Polish achievements in all aspects of OSH on a broad international arena



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