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Polish Society for Polygraph Examinations was founded

The Polish Society for Polygraph Examinations (Polskie Towarzystwo Badań Poligraficznych – PTBP) was set up on 24th November 2013 by a group of people representing Polish government, the private sector and the academia. The Society operates nationwide. Marcin Gołaszewski (Full Member of the American Polygraph Association) was elected its President, and Professor Jan Widacki (Member of the APA Science & Technology) became the President of Scientific Committee.

The Polish Society for Polygraph Examinations accepts the APA standards of practice and is ready to cooperate on promoting validated techniques and the highest ethical standards within the polygraph profession. The main objective of the Society is to enhance the quality of polygraph examinations in Poland. Other goals include inspiring interest and promoting knowledge of polygraph examinations, supporting exchange of experience and ideas among people interested in the subject.

The Society intends to achieve its objectives by:

- a) organising conferences, workshops and training aimed at improving professionals skills of Polish polygraphers
- b) encouraging scientific research in the field of psychophysiological detection of deception
- c) editorial activity, and

d) support for legislative activity helping to expand the possibilities of applying polygraph in criminal proceedings, employee screening, and as therapeutic assistance.

Moreover, the Society manages a list of recommended polygraph experts in evidentiary examinations. The list is published on the Society's website: www. ptb.pl. In order to obtain a recommendation, an expert is expected to meet specific requirements concerning education and professional experience. The Polish Society for Polygraph Examinations regulates the professional conduct of recommended examiners by requiring strict adherence to a set of standards in training, practice, and ethical issues.

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