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International Cooperation of the Polish Economic Society

Membership in the International Economic Association

The Polish Economic Society (PTE) is a member of the International Economic Association (IEA), the international federation of national and regional economic associations. PTE's membership in the IEA forms an important element of its international engagement and contributes to strengthening links between the Polish economics community and the wider international economics profession.

Founded in 1950 at the initiative of the Social Sciences Department of UNESCO, the IEA promotes international contacts and mutual understanding among economists through academic meetings, collaborative research programs, and international publications. Its activities focus on the development of economics and on facilitating the exchange of research and ideas across countries and economic traditions.

Membership in the IEA provides an institutional framework for international academic cooperation, including participation in the IEA's World Congress, roundtables, workshops, and other international academic initiatives. Member associations can also propose invited sessions at the IEA World Congress and participate in the Association's governing Council through designated representatives. Individual members of affiliated associations may benefit from priority access to selected IEA events and international academic networks.

For PTE, participation in the IEA network supports the internationalization of Polish economic research, facilitates contacts with economic associations from other countries, and creates opportunities for presenting research conducted in Poland to international academic communities. The IEA currently brings together national and regional economic associations from numerous countries, including the United States, Italy, the United Kingdom, Finland, Hungary, Ireland, Japan, Spain, Switzerland, and Poland.

The membership therefore complements PTE's other forms of international cooperation and contributes to the integration of the Polish economics community into global academic networks.

For more information, see: https://www.iea-world.com/.

Strategic Partnership with the Italian Economic Association

Italian Economic Association

On January 20, 2026, the Polish Economic Society (PTE) and the Italian Economic Association (*Società Italiana di Economia*, SIE) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) establishing a framework for enhanced academic and research cooperation between the economics communities of Poland and Italy.

The agreement aims to strengthen cooperation in research, economic education, and academic exchange, as well as to foster academic and professional dialogue between representatives of both organizations. International cooperation is recognized as an important factor in advancing the economic sciences and promoting research-based economic knowledge.

The cooperation framework includes, in particular:

- exchange of information on research projects, publications, and academic conferences;
- organization of joint academic events, including conferences, seminars, and workshops;
- participation by members of each organization in congresses and academic events organized by the other;
- support for academic mobility and the development of networks involving economists, researchers, and students;

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- initiatives aimed at disseminating economic knowledge and strengthening expert dialogue on public policy issues.

The Memorandum of Understanding was concluded for an initial period of five years, with the possibility of extension. The agreement does not create financial obligations for either party. Its implementation is coordinated by designated representatives of PTE and SIE.

The partnership is part of the internationalization strategy of the Polish Economic Society and contributes to strengthening cooperation with leading European organizations representing the economics profession and academic community.

The Italian Economic Association is a leading Italian academic association bringing together economists and researchers. It supports the development of economic research, promotes the dissemination of economic knowledge, and contributes to academic and public debate on economic issues. SIE organizes scholarly conferences, supports research initiatives, and participates actively in European economic dialogue.

For more information, see: https://www.siecon.org.