

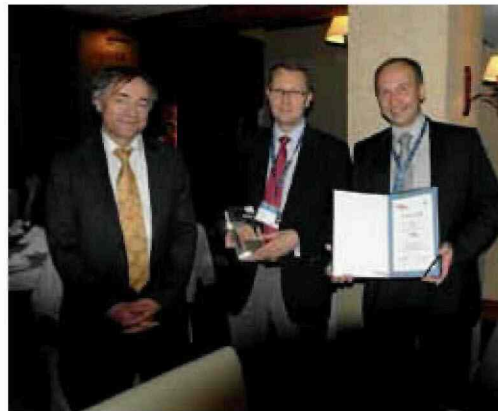
2nd Innovation Forum in Rzeszów

The 2nd Innovation Forum which took place on 24 and 25 May in Rzeszów gathered over 200 leaders of business, science, and politics. The participants discussed the innovation capabilities of the Polish economy and the use of our ideas by the biggest global companies. The subject that dominated the Forum was the future of the energy, aviation and automotive industries.

Waldemar Pawlak,
Deputy Prime Minister,
Minister of the Economy

We are standing at a turning point, in which technology has reached a very advanced level. However, resources are being depleted, prices are becoming excessive, and maintaining profitable prices at the level of USD100 for a barrel of oil gives reasons to modernise the system. I believe that this Forum is an occasion to inspire our energy sector and for engineering companies to investigate this area. The analyses of the International Energy Agency show that China may soon become the leader in the production of electric vehicles. It is worth trying to achieve a similar status for Poland in Europe.

Today, when a longer time span is considered, I would put more confidence in consortia of energy companies. We should think about developing intelligent networks, which distribute energy, but are also capable of receiving it. Obviously we can do this by building more power plants or by creating a mechanism for energy storage, and provision in the high season. The latter seems a more rational solution. For example, the use of wind power here is quite a challenge, as cars with an alternative drive may operate in places in which wind power is accumulated, when it cannot be otherwise used or stored. Such a horizontal view of combining these aspects, when we consider energy and transportation, can in many places reveal interesting synergies. The most convincing seems to be the actual transport costs. Today 100 km on petrol costs PLN50, while only PLN5-10 would be needed to cover the same distance in an electric car. ::



From left: Leszek Woźniak, Prorector of Rzeszów University of Technology, Marek Panek, Vice-president of Asseco Poland S.A., Paweł Ciesielski, Plenipotentiary of the Board for Investments, Asseco Poland S.A.



Zygmunt Berdychowski, Chairman of the Programme Council, Foundation Institute for Eastern Studies



Krystyna Woźniak-Trzosek,
President of Rynek Polski Publishers Co. Ltd.



Janusz Homa, President of Software Mind

Ranking of companies in Podkarpackie region according to revenue in 2010 (in PLN thousands)

	Company name	Head of company	Based in	Sales revenue	Net profit/loss	Gross profit/loss	Operating income	Employment
1	ASSECO POLAND SA GK	Adam Góral	Rzeszów	3,237,733	562,091	107,6749	568,963	13,638
2	ORLEN PETROTANK SP. Z O.O.	Andrzej Niedbalski	Wielka	2,319,786	6,439	8,602	6,867	83
3	FIRMA OPONIARSKA DĘBICA SA	Jacek Pryczek	Dębica	1,793,351	81,686	101,848	110,320	2,819
4	BAĆ POL GK	Leszek Bać	Rzeszów	926,481	6,994	9,293	13,057	1,040
5	ZELMER SA	Janusz Płocica	Rzeszów	640,022	37,781	47,544	49,205	1,902
6	ŚNIEŻKA SA GK	Piotr Mikrut	Lubzina	531,699	47,516	58,669	62,226	1,367
7	ICN POLFA RZESZÓW SA	Mariusz Gajowniczek	Rzeszów	478,160	115,181	140,622	130,226	826
8	STOMIS SANOK SA	Marek Łęcki	Sanok	470,861	27,167	37,454	39,645	2,309
9	ZM ROPCZYCE SA	Józef Siwiec	Ropczyce	265,363	-12,345	-6,537	-8,660	756
10	GAMRAT SA	Krzysztof Moska	Jaśło	218,153	2,184	2,903	4,752	846
11	ENESTA SP. Z O.O.	Tomasz Strusiński	Stalowa Wola	191,741	919	1,158	-615	124
12	AUTOPART SA	Monika Bąk	Mielec	182,136	1,972	2,416	4,231	70
13	MAKARONY POLSKIE SA GK	Paweł Nowakowski	Rzeszów	149,969	-4,971	3,170	2,628	na
14	ZWSE RZESZÓW SP. Z O.O.	Marcin Pasternak	Rzeszów	125,569	1,820	2,286	3,217	243
15	TROPICANA SP. Z O.O.	Marek Winiarski	Krosno	106,244	1,455	1,774	1,774	114
16	BALTIC WOOD SA	Edward Nitka	Jaśło	95,200	na	na	na	311
17	OPTTEAM SA GK	Janusz Bober	Tajęcina near Rzeszów	60,099	2,074	2,355	2,646	154
18	RESBUD SA	Genowefa Łagowska	Rzeszów	50,312	-324	-452	-564	151
19	ZAKŁADY MIĘSNE HERMAN SA	Tadeusz Frączek	Tyczyn	47,337	-1,816	-1,735	-1,477	na
20	SANFARM SP. Z O.O.	Ryszard Latawiec	Nowa Dęba	45,415	4,656	4,718	4,102	233
21	IGLOOCAR	Wiesław Barłowski, Krystyna Jaskowska	Dębica	40,858	280	424	2,153	205
22	ZAKŁADY AUTOMATYKI POLNA SA	Miroslav Kozlovski	Przemysł	28,000	752	846	618	203

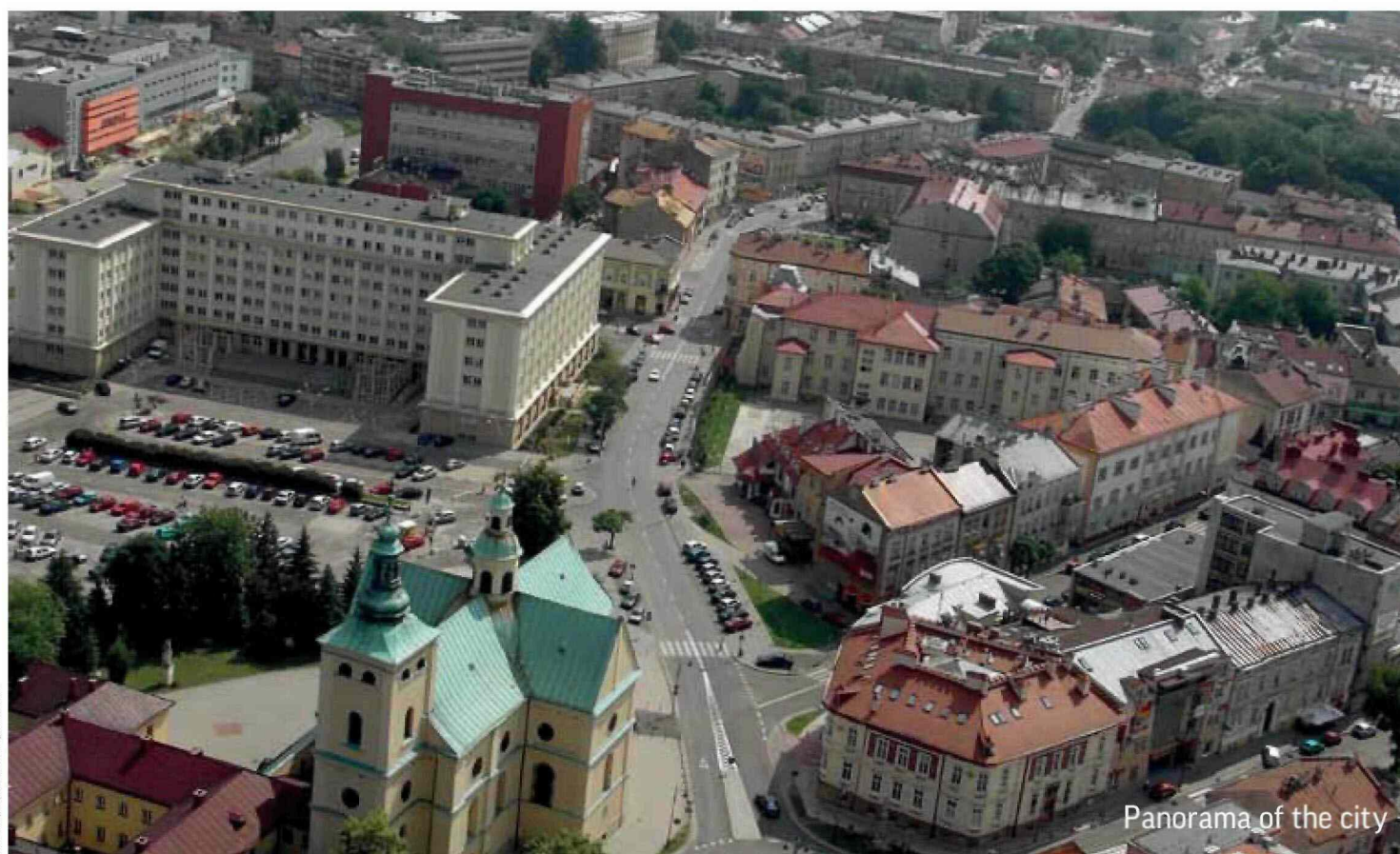


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Panorama of the city