



# POLAND & U.S. CREATING A SUCCESSFUL HIGHER EDUCATION COOPERATION

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## PROGRAMME

### Day 1

**Participants of Day 1: Polish HEIs**

**June 7th 2:00pm CEST for Polish participants/ 8:00am ET for U.S.**

**2:00-2:05 PM (CEST) Welcome address,**

Dr. Grażyna Żebrowska, Director General of NAWA

**2:05-2:10 PM Trainer Introductions**

**2:10-2:40 PM Higher Education in the U.S. in general**

- Diverse types of institutions, trends, diversity/equity issues
- Partnership trends at U.S. institutions

**2:40-3:15 PM How to work with U.S. partners**

- How they are organized for international work in general and for partnerships, specifically (ie.g. strategic plans, infrastructure, partnership managers)
- MOUs and other documents
- The many ways that partnerships get started (bottom up, top down)
- Data tracking and partnership assessment

**3:15-3:25 PM Break**

**3:25-3:55 PM Student learning and mobility partnerships**

- Strategies, types, expectations, exchange challenges, curricular integration, virtual modalities

**3:55-4:25 PM Research partnerships**

- Identifying strengths and priorities (synergies/complementarities), mining data for existing research connections
- Using int'l partnerships to catalyze inter-/multi-disciplinary research collaborations and vice versa
- Incentivizing faculty, seed and external funding, tracking and assessing success

- 4:25-5:00 PM**      **Preparing your institution for seeking a U.S. partner**
- Identifying potential partners, establishing contact, presenting your own institution
  - Initial conversations, what to learn from each other, funneling down areas of interest from general to specific

## Day 2

**Participants: American HEIs**

**June 8th 2:00pm CEST for Polish participants/ 8:00am ET for U.S. participants**

**8:00-8:10AM ET**      **Welcome and general overview by prof. Marek Konarzewski**

**8:10 -8:30 AM**      **Higher Education system in Poland**

- Diverse types of institutions – Hanna Reczulska
- Recognition of degrees and titles – Hanna Reczulska
- Latest developments and trends – dr. Zofia Sawicka

**8:30-8:40 AM**      **Successful partnerships between Polish and U.S. partners – opportunities and challenges moderated by prof. Marek Konarzewski**

- Prof. Grzegorz Dworacki Poznan University of Medical Sciences - How to attract American students to Polish universities?
- Prof. Paweł Pietrasieński, SGH Warsaw School of Economics - Building strategic collaborations with the U.S. states on an example of the SGH Warsaw School of Economics' partnership with Nevada
- Prof. Lech Dzienis, Bialystok University of Technology - Polonia - the key to effective cooperation with US universities
- Prof. Piotr Klodkowski, Jagiellonian University – From personal academic contacts to institutional cooperation. How to build the Polish- US relations in science

**8:40-8:50 AM**      **Break**

**8:50-9:15 AM**      **Polish-US Scholarship programmes Marek Skulimowski, Kosciuszko Foundation and scholarship holder of Kosciuszko Foundation**

**9:15-9:55 AM**      **Funding mechanism for individuals and academic- research partnerships**

- NAWA programmes and examples of supported projects – Katarzyna Aleksy
- How scientist can apply for grants – Agnieszka Stefaniak Hrycko
- Summer programmes attractive for students – Kamila Dembińska

**9:55-10:00 AM**      **Closing remarks and summary prof. Marek Konarzewski**