



International Delegates Meeting – Amsterdam 2008
Friday, 26 September – Sunday, 28 September

LESI Society Report

Summary of activity (May to September 2008)

Deadline: 26 August 2008

Name of Society: LES

POLAND

Society Meetings/Seminars/Conferences held between Chicago (May) and Amsterdam (September 2008)*

*Regular meetings do not need to be listed separately – “six evening meetings” may be listed instead

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Topic:</u>	<u>Location:</u>	<u>Attendance:</u>
27.06.2008	“The role of Intellectual Property in Initial Public Offering of a Publicly Traded Company.”	Warszawa	50

1. Identify special meetings and state why they were notable (special speaker, # of attendees, etc.).

LES Poland in cooperation with the Warsaw Stock Exchange organized a half-day seminar on the role of Intellectual Property in Initial Public Offering of a publicly traded company. The speakers were representatives of LES (Jim Malackowski, Rafał Witek), representatives of two companies – one traded on the WSE and the other one about to undergo IPO, as well as consultants involved in IPOs at WSE. A lively discussion ensued, which was moderated by Mr Ludwik Sobolewski, President of WSE. The attendance was around 50 people.

The following lectures were delivered:

1. Special Guest Lecture: “IP valuation in particular with respect to IPOs.”, Mr James Malackowski, OCEAN TOMO, USA .
2. “IP valuation in the macroeconomical Polish conditions.”, Mr Aleksander Kwiatkowski, Managing Partner of A.T. Kearney Poland;
3. “The role of IP rights in the development of innovative industrial projects.”, Mr Rafał Witek, LES Poland;
4. “Generating critical mass of patents needed to commercialization of scientific results.”, Prof. Jan Lubiński, CEO, Read-Gene SA;
5. “Investment in developing new technologies in Poland – from the perspective of an enterprise owner.”, Mr Adam Bogdani, CEO, Optopol Technology SA.
6. Panel Discussion: Moderator Mr Ludwik Sobolewski, President of Warsaw Stock Exchange.

2. Has the number of meetings changed (increased/decreased) significantly? Explain why.

The time available was devoted to the organization of said seminar.

Membership

1. Has the number of members changed (increased/decreased) significantly? Explain why.

At the end of 2007 the Board of LES Poland took a decision to cancel those members of LES Poland group who have not paid annual fees for many years.

2. What steps are being taken to increase membership?

We organized a seminar (27 June 2008) in cooperation with the Warsaw Stock Exchange and the Polish Academy of Science. We hoped that the subject of this seminar would attract new members.

Delegates

1. If your society does not send delegates to the International Delegates meeting, explain why.

Our society always tries to send at least one delegate to the International Delegate Meeting.

LESI Committees

1. Are any of your society members interested in joining an LESI committee? List their names.

Anna Szafruga - European Committee
 Rafał Witek - Life - Science Committee
 Marek Łazewski – Membership Committee

Assistance

1. List any ways that LESI can assist in your societies' activities.

LES International could assist LES Poland in sending speakers to the seminars and meetings and providing us with materials which could be useful in education activities.

Legislation/Information

Briefly summarize any changes to your legislation, regulations or business practices effecting licensing or technology transfer.

Changes in the regulations of the Industrial Property Law came into force on November 1, 2007.

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Date : 20 August 2008