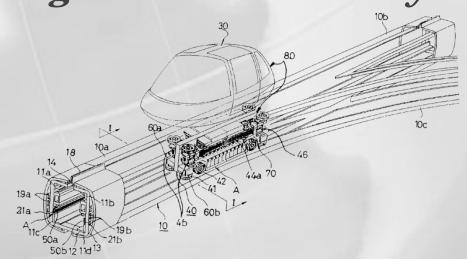


## The role of the Polish Patent Office and Polish Patent Information Centers in the Innovation Support Networks

- Direction: knowledge transfer to industry

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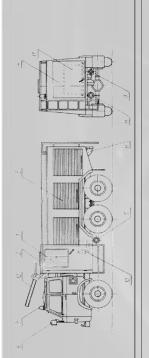
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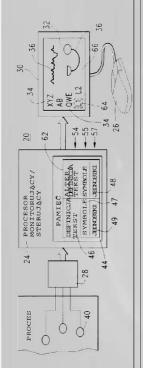
#### **Outline**



- Patent Information Centers in Poland;
- Innovation Networks:
  - PATLIBs Reorientation Pilot Project (EPO),
  - IPeuropAware,
- Contribution of the PPO to the internal projects supporting knowledge transfer to industry;
- Conclusions.



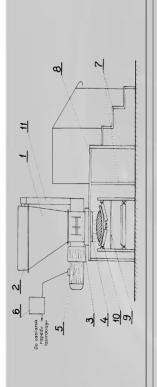
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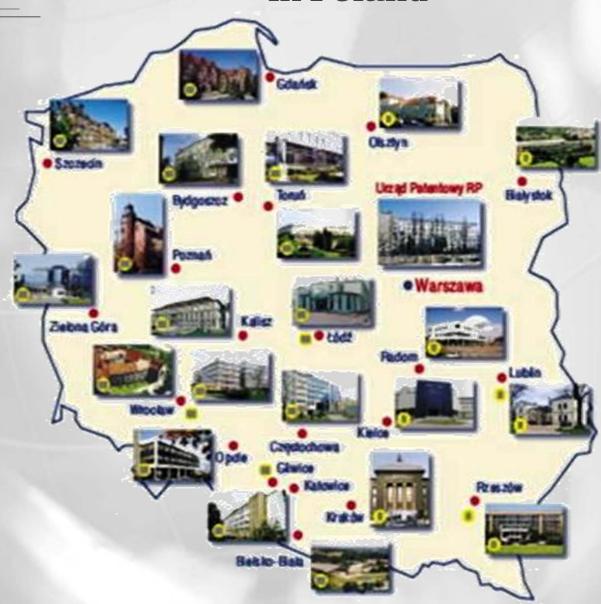






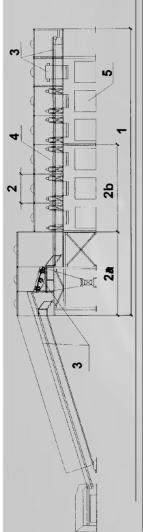
# Regional Patent Information Centers in Poland







#### The main services offered by the PICs

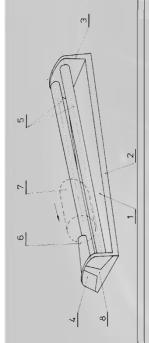


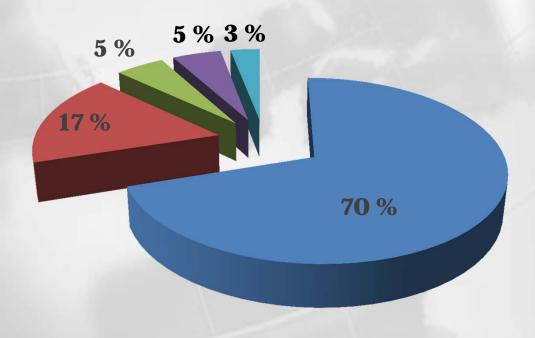
- Public reading room including assistance conducting searches,
- Intellectual Property Rights Helpdesk services,
- Provision of IP documentation,
- Basic search services e.g. on bibliographic data and legal status,
- Sophisticated searches (state-of-the art, novelty, infringement),
- Assistance in the commercialisation of patents,
- Patent clinics (collaboration with local attorneys).



#### Users of the PICs





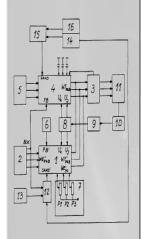


- *Academic staff & students*
- Large-scale enterprises
- *Private Inventors*

- $\blacksquare$  SMEs
- Patent Attormeys



#### PPO activities supporting PICs

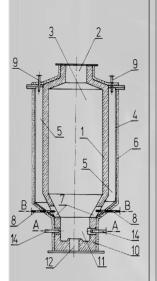


- patent literature and infrastructure:
  - Polish and foreign patent documentation,
  - patent databases,
  - free brochures,
  - publications and promotional materials,
- annual seminars in Cedzyna near Kielce and Świder near Warsaw,
- wide range of conferences, workshops and trainings.



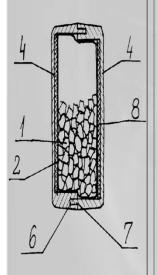






- transforming the Patent Information Centres into Innovation Support Centres,
- enabling the PIC to offer a wider range of patent related innovation support services to the public,
- increasing awareness of IP in order to implement it in various business processes, researches and commercialisation of inventions.







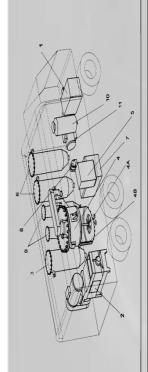
#### IP Awareness and Enforcement of Modular Based Actions for SMEs

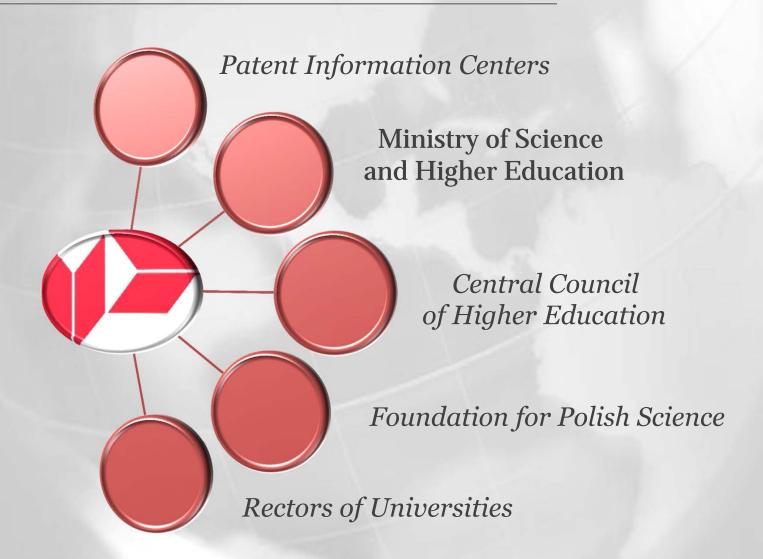
• raising awareness of the entrepreneurs as to the significance of IP law protection in order to development of business activities in the contemporary knowledge based economy.





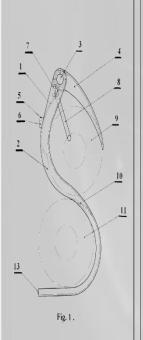
### Internal cooperation







### Results of the internal cooperation

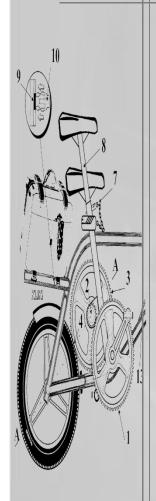


introducing the "IP protection" into the syllabuses at higher education level as an obligatory subject,

• introducing IP activities to the periodical, parametrical assessment of universities, research institutes and development units.



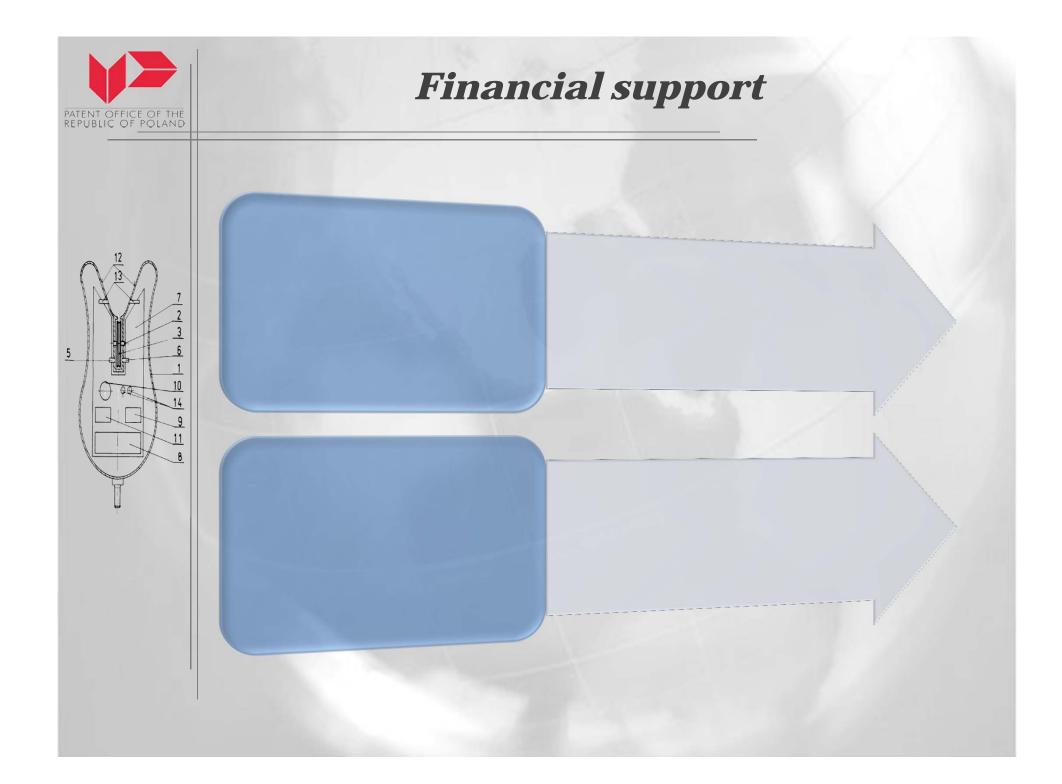
### IP Train the trainers project



- PPO patronizes and supports the establishment of the **Consortium of 4 universities** 
  - Jagiellonian University in Krakow,
  - University of Technology in Kielce,
  - Warsaw University in Warsaw,
  - Maria Curie-Sklodowska University in Lublin,

#### Aims of the consortium:

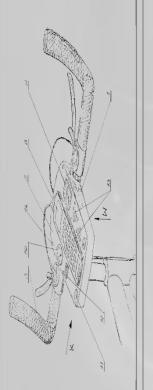
- development of training IP program for both lecturers and students, which would be accommodated to all specific field of science and technology,
- implementation of postgraduate studies at all the four academic centers in Poland directed to academics who will be teaching the subject afterwards.







# The role of the PPO in knowledge transfer to industry



#### propagating patent information flow by:

building internal and external networks,

cooperating with Patent Information Centers and support their activities,

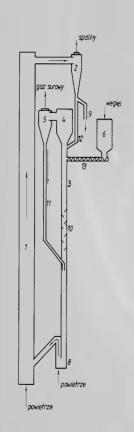
facilitating access to the patent information (databases, publications),

providing forums for exchange of knowledge, experiences and the best practices with regard to IP protection and culture,

organizating workshops, conferences and seminars for R&D sector.



# Challenges and development perspectives of the Polish PI centres



Patent attorneys or patent attorney trainees should be employed at all PI centres,

PI centres should provide patent monitoring services, patent statistic of analysis, including visualisation and interpretation of results,

PI centres should include conducting patent searches and carrying out trainings on patent searches,

PI centres should be creating and managing IP portfolios and multiple databases for streamlining the technology transfer,

PI centres should also advance in raising IP awareness and creating IP culture by providing trainings workshops and seminars.

