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The HIPH Board has issued a number of letters concerning many important and priority matters regarding the activities of the Chamber's member companies including to:

- the Ministry of Environment, submitting comments to the draft Act amending the Greenhouse Gas Emission Trading Scheme Act and certain other acts (listing number UD317 list) – 06.03.2018
- the Ministry of Entrepreneurship and Technology, a position letter of the steel sector regarding the announcement by the United States of a duty on import of steel products following the announcement of the so-called Section 232 – 08.03.2018
- the Minister of Entrepreneurship and Technology about the urgent need to support the domestic steel industry in the context of the steel safeguarding measures to be taken up by the European Commission – 15.03.2018
- the Ministry of Energy, Department of Renewable Energy, Distributed Energy and Heating, submitting comments on legislative work regarding the amendment to the Directive on the promotion of energy from renewable sources – 23.03.2018
- the Minister of Entrepreneurship and Technology, with thanks for the support given so far to industry in Poland, especially the subject of introducing compensation schemes to cover indirect costs of CO₂ emissions as well as for limiting the negative consequences of US steel tariffs. The Minister was also requested for a meeting about current topics about the steel market in Poland – 05.04.2018.
- the Minister of Energy, submitting comments to the draft Promotion of Power Generation in High-Efficiency Cogeneration Act dated 16.03.2018 – 18.04.2018
- the Department of Renewable Energy in the Ministry of Energy and the Permanent Representation of the Republic of Poland to the EU in Brussels a position paper to the draft European Parliament and Council Directive proposed by the European Commission on promoting the use of energy from renewable sources – 08.05.2018

- Minister of Entrepreneurship and Technology on the urgent need to support the Polish steel industry in the context of the steel safeguarding measures taken up by the EC – 25.05.2018

- Mr K.Tchórzewski, Minister of Energy, submitting comments to the European Commission's resolution on the detailed conditions and manner of performing the capacity market obligation, settlement and demonstration as well as detailed conditions for concluding transactions on the secondary market – 28.05.2018

- Mrs E.Bieńkowska, EU Commissioner, regarding the unintentional influence of the harmonized classification and labeling (CLH) on metallic cobalt in the steel sector and the circular economy - 4.06.2018.

- the Minister of Maritime Economy and Inland Navigation (with a copy to the Minister of Energy, Minister of Entrepreneurship and Technology, Minister of Environment, Wody Polskie National Water Management, National Water Management Board) submitting comments to the draft Act amending the Water Law Act and some other acts (draft of 29 May 2018) -14.06.2018.

- the Ministry of Environment, sending comments of the steel industry regarding the draft act amending the Waste Act – 14.06.2018

- the Minister of Environment, together with IGMNiR Economic Chamber of Non-Ferrous Metals & Recycling, intervening for a draft act amending the Waste Act and some other acts of June 7, 2018 (with a request for a meeting to develop solutions that will secure the stable development of non-ferrous and steel industries in Poland) - 18.06.2018

- Minister of Environment sending comments and remarks on behalf of the steel sector to changes planned for the Environmental Protection Inspection Act – 20.06.2018

- Minister of Entrepreneurship and Technology with a request to take urgent actions at the highest level of the European Commission aimed at securing the competitiveness of the Polish steel sector in the light of threats caused on a global scale following the introduction of steel tariffs by the United States including for exports from the European Union – 20.06.2018

- Minister of Energy, Prime Minister of the Republic of Poland, Minister of Finance and Minister of Entrepreneurship and Technology regarding the System Solutions Package for improving the competitiveness of the industry in the area of electricity costs after the meeting of the Economic Committee of the Council of Ministers on 29.05.2018 – 26.06.2018

- the Minister of the Environment, Prime Minister of the Republic of Poland, Minister of Finance, Minister of Entrepreneurship and Technology regarding the System Solutions Package for improving the competitiveness of the industry in the area of electricity costs, and in particular introducing financial compensation to cover the indirect costs of CO₂ emissions - 26.06.2018.

HIPH Council Sessions

On 12. 03.2018 and 11.06.2018 HIPH Council sessions were held at the HIPH premises. At the meetings, the Council Members became acquainted with the current steel, coke and refractory market performances in 2018 and with topics related to the Trade Defence Instruments modernisation (TDIm), ongoing AD and AS proceedings including applicable AD tariffs in place. The Council

reviewed the plan of activities undertaken by the Polish Steel Association Board within the framework of the formed coalitions: Energy-Intensive Industries WG and issues covered by the cooperation with EY. At the meeting on 11.06.2018, the Council adopted the agenda of the General Meeting without reservations, and adopted Resolutions on approval of the Management and Council Activity Reports, financial statements for 2017, the adoption of the business plan and estimates of expenditures for 2018, and approved the principles of financing Polish Steel Association in 2018.

HIPH Seminar

On April 24, 2018 in Otwock, at the request of the Ministry of Finance, the Management Board of Polish Steel Association, with the support by EY, arranged a seminar for customs and tax officers of the National Tax Administration about the imports of steel products to Poland. During the seminar, customs services were acquainted, among others, with a practical approach to the proper evaluation of declared steel products during customs clearance, available tools to control and fight irregularities on the construction materials market, VAT fraud in the steel sector and analysis of the effects of the introduction of the reverse charge mechanism.

HIPH General Assembly

June 11, 2018 saw the 23rd General Meeting of HIPH Members. The Meeting was of the reporting nature. The past year of Polish Steel Association activity was summed up. Adequate resolutions were adopted approving the activities of the Management Board and the Council, the work plan for the following year, expenditure estimate and financing rules in 2018. Members of Polish Steel Association expressed their appreciation for the work of statutory bodies and the need for further effective actions for the benefit of the Polish industry and the economic development of the country.

HIPH Conference

On 14-15 June 2018, a conference of HIPH Member Companies took place at Ustroń. The meeting discussed the following issues: steel, coke and refractory market performances, EU steel products trades with third countries. The current state of safeguarding proceedings and applicable market defence measures in international steel and raw materials for metallurgy trades was presented. Current topics were also discussed of key importance for steel producers in Poland and in the EU.

Our Voice in Media:

- Us Steel Tariffs Will Hit Polish Steel Manufacturers As Imports Surge, PAP (22.03.2018)
- Last Year, The Polish Economy Used A Record Amount Of Steel; Good Forecasts For 2018, PAP (23/03 2018)
- Our Industry Is Less And Less Competitive, We Have Been Calling For Changes At The National And EU Level For A Long Time, Gazeta Giełdy Parkiet (April 2018)
- Summary Of 2017 In The Steel Sector, S & P Global Platts (April 2018)
- The Steel Industry Invests In Research And Development, Forum Stalowe (May 2018)
- Energy-Intensive Industry Needs Right Conditions For Development And Investment, PAP (15/05 2018)
- Steel Getting Cheaper. The Us Tariffs Have Contributed To A Reduction In The Prices Of Steel Products In Poland. Meanwhile, Their Production Costs Are Growing, Puls Biznesu (10.05.2018)

- An Avalanche Of Steel Products Is Coming. Imports Of Steel To Poland Are Growing Rapidly, And It Can Be Even Worse. American Tariffs Will Increase Its Inflow To Poland And Europe, Puls Biznesu (5.06.2018)
- European Metallurgy Under Pressure, Magazyn Hutniczy (5-12.06.2018).
- Steel Consumption Increased In The First Quarter. Growing Imports Are Alarming, PAP (8.06.2018)
- Good Quarter For Steel, Magazyn Hutniczy (19-26.06.2018)

Attended Events:

- Power Market in Poland Seminar organized by City Brand Energia Odnawialna, with HIPH patronage, Warsaw (8.03.2018)
- Provincial Social Dialogue Council of the Śląskie Voivodeship, Katowice (12.03.2018)
- Dąbrowa Górnicza City Business Council, Dąbrowa Górnicza, (09.04.2018)
- Dąbrowa Górnicza Ecological Forum, Wyższa Szkoła Biznesu, Dąbrowa Górnicza (17.04.2018)
- General Meeting of Delegates of Trade Unions Hutnik, at which the President of the Management Board of HIPH delivered a presentation, Dąbrowa Górnicza (19.04.2018)
- Seminar organized by SITPH (Steel Engineers Association) in connection with the Steelworker's Day, Dąbrowa Górnicza Branch. Dąbrowa Górnicza (27.04.2018).
- Provincial Social Dialogue Council of the Lesser Poland Voivodship, Cracow (07.05.2018)
- meeting with Marcin Ociepa, Undersecretary of State at the Ministry of Entrepreneurship and Technology, about issues related to the steel industry, such as: implementation of indirect carbon cost compensation, capacity market, global effects of US tariffs on steel products, quality standards , Warsaw). The meeting took place as a result of our efforts to meet Minister J Emilewicz (our letter from 05.04.2018), Warsaw (8.05.2018)
- meeting of the SITPH Committee on Steel History and Heritage, Katowice (10.05.2018)
- Steelers' Day celebrations: at AGH, Krakow (11.05.2018), at CMC Poland Sp. z o.o. in Zawiercie and Huta Łabędy S.A. in Gliwice (18.05.2018), at Celsa Huta Ostrowiec Sp. z o.o. in Ostrowiec Świętokrzyski (25.05.2018)
- General Assembly of Delegates of the National Steel Industry Section of NSZZ Solidarność, at which the President of the Management Board of HIPH delivered a presentation, Bukowina Tatrzńska (24.05.2018)
- Katowice European Economic Congress (16-17.05.2018)
- celebrations of the 40th anniversary of the commissioning of the Heavy Rolling Mill (P15) at ArcelorMittal Poland, Dąbrowa Górnicza (22.06.2018)
- opening ceremony of a new production line for spirally welded pipes at Ferrum S.A., Katowice (27.06.2012)
- teleconferences and numerous meetings with EY as part of the Steel Steering Committee