# THE PCCC NEWSLETTER





Bernhard L. Otterstein PCCC President

#### Dear Members of the Polish Canadian Chamber of Commerce,

I trust that you and your families are doing well, and that your businesses are prospering!

As the year 2021 slowly comes to a close, the Polish Canadian Chamber of Commerce looks back on the second year in which we lived with the effects of Covid-19. While this certainly been a challenge to all of us, it is with optimism and hope that we see a cautious yet enthusiastic return to live networking events, which began with our Canada Day celebration on 1 July of this year at the Sheraton Grand Hotel in Warsaw, and have taken up speed in the autumn.

Following our Annual General Meeting in late September at the offices of Wardyński & Wspólnicy, the PCCC had a physical presence at the 6th Edition of Kongres590, which was held in Warsaw at the Expo XXI for the first time at the beginning of October. This event provided a good networking opportunity as well as the chance to listen to high-level experts, business people and government officials.

The next big event for PCCC members was the International Group of Chambers of Commerce (IGCC) Speed Business Mixer on 9 November at the InterContinental Hotel in Warsaw, which saw approximately 150 participating companies from the international business community make new connections. This event was a great success, and we were happy to see a number of PCCC member companies present.

In mid-November, the PCCC and CEMBA organized a private lecture at the Szkoła Główna Handlowa (SGH) in Warsaw on the current economic situation in Poland and Central Europe, with some insightful observations on the opportunities and challenges lying ahead by Professor and former Deputy Prime Minister Jerzy Hausner, whose economic forecasts from the Krakow University of Economics are presented each year to the Ministry of Development.

This year on 14 December we will take part in the City of Katowice-IGCC-Konfederacja Lewiatan Christmas Business Mixer in Katowice, an annual event that brings together member companies from 10 IGCC chambers with an accent on southern Poland, while the next day, on 15 December we are inviting members of the PCCC to come together for Christmas drinks and food at the Embassy of Canada in Warsaw. We very much look forward to seeing as many members as possible joining us for both of these events!

The New Year will start with an IGCC New Year's Reception in the City of Lodz on 27 January, which is an annual event that brings over 150 business people from central Poland together, and the networking potential here too will be excellent.

In the meantime, the Board of the PCCC and I look forward to seeing you at our events in December, and wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and great start to a prosperous and wonderful 2022!

Best wishes,

**Bernhard L. Otterstein** President Polish Canadian Chamber of Commerce





## **New Members**

#### Mobilium Pay sp. z o.o.

Mobilum Pay Sp. z o.o. is a company that provides payment services, including accepting cash deposits and withdrawals from a payment account and performing all activities necessary to maintain the account, execute payment transactions, as well as obtain and provide money transfer services. The company currently has the status of a small payment institution and is constantly developing.

The main shareholder of the company is the Estonian company Mobilum OÜ, which has an operating license for financial services and the provision of virtual currency services (FVT000120). In May this year, Mobilum OÜ began operations in Canada as Mobilum Technologies Inc. (formerly: TechX). They are part of the listed Mobilum Technologies PLC.

# mobilum

#### Valcon Medical A/S

Founded in 2018, Valcon Medical is a medical cannabis product manufacturing organization based in Denmark, with Canadian shareholders. The company is licensed to produce medical cannabis extracts and to manufacture intermediate products under EU GMP standards. Under recent legislation, Denmark codified the commercial production of medical cannabis with a permanent legal framework. EU GMP medical cannabis products can be sold worldwide anywhere medical cannabis is legal.





Angelika Nowak PCCC Executive Director

Dear PCCC members, We are very happy to present to you the first edition of our newsletter. We plan to release it on a regular basis.

We would like to encourage you to share with us news from your companies - we are sure that the Polish-Canadian business community would love to hear from you.



# **Recent Events**

### International Business Mixer

We had the pleasure of organizing the International Business Mixer with 10 other business associations from the IGCC on the 9th of November. Over 160 people from over 150 member companies had the opportunity to network with each other in smaller, matched groups and later on over drinks at the InterContinental Hotels & Resorts in Warsaw.

We would like to bring to your attention that our member company B2RLaw was the event's Silver Sponsor!





### Seminar with Prof. Hausner

On the November 18th, we hosted a seminar with Professor Jerzy Hausner, Chairman of Open Eyes Economy Programme Council on the post pandemic economy alongside CEMBA Canadian Executive MBA and the Belgian Business Chamber (BBC).

It was a great opportunity for the participants to discuss the prospects of Poland's economy with Prof. Hausner, who is the former Deputy Prime Minister and former Member of the Monetary Policy Council.



# **Upcoming events**

### Christmas Business Mixer in Katowice

The Polish Canadian Chamber of Commerce has the pleasure to invite you to the Christmas Business Mixer that will be held on December 14th in Katowice. The event is organized by Katowice Special Economic Zone in partnership with 11 bilateral chambers of commerce, Confederation "Leviathan" and was granted Honorary Patronage of Mr Marcin Krupa, the President of the City of Katowice.

Our event will be a great opportunity to network with companies associated in other chambers and KSSE as well as to exchange of Christmas wishes.

Please register (it is free for our members) until 10th December by RSVP to: k.abedini@pccc.pl





Christmas Gathering Canada Room, Embassy of Canada December 15th 2021 4-6 p.m.

### Christmas Gathering

The Polish Canadian Chamber of Commerce along with the Embassy of Canada would like to invite its members to the Christmas Gathering, which will take place at the Canadian Embassy in Warsaw on December 15th from 16:00 (4 p.m.)

The Christmas Gathering will be a great chance to network, as well as to exchange Christmas and New Year's wishes amongst our friends from the Embassy and member companies in a warm holiday atmosphere.





# **News from our members**

### Raben

The year 2021 is an important milestone in the history of Raben Group. After 90 years of successful development in the logistics business, Raben is currently thinking intensively about a greener future. Therefore, the company decided to celebrate this anniversary in a somewhat unusual way by inviting customers to an eco2way tour across Europe. This trip started on April 1 and continued until September 2021. Company employees and eco-enthusiasts have taken on the role of tour guides who tell the story of twenty places threatened by climate change. You can follow the entire tour at <u>www.raben90years.com</u>.

Press news about anniversary can be found here and the newsletter can link here:

https://polska.raben-group.com/en/news/details/raben-swietuje-90-lat-w-europie



### Bireta's Nuclear dictionary



A long-term member of the PCCC, BIRETA Professional Translations would like to present the only Polish-English online glossary of nuclear energy terms on the market. The NUCLEAR dictionary was created BIRETA Professional Translations, a leader on the Polish technical translation market, in cooperation with nuclear power engineers. The Nuclear.pl Foundation has taken on the substantive patronage over the dictionary.

The dictionary is available at <u>https://nuclear-dict.bireta.pl/</u> and will be a great asset to any corporations, law firms or public institutions involved in nuclear energy development in Poland.

The regular cost of 2-year access to the dictionary is 299,00 PLN net, but for the members of PCCC they have prepared a special offer. Please contact us to receive the discount.





# **News from our members**

### UPS

#### Welcome to the new era of shipping

Nobody has time to figure out how to ship a package. You spend time with your business, think big ideas, and build great things to shake the world. <u>Ups.com/SMB</u> is for businesses I to make domestic or overseas shipments conveniently. Individual clients can also send packages. UPS offers a special discount for its friends. Take advantage of the discount! Enter the promotional code to the SMB - SMB10PL website and you will send your package even cheaper!

#### Send a package in your own way

Provide customers with a better shipping experience during the holiday season.

The holiday shopping season starts as early as Black Friday and is crucial for e-commerce companies. To help you with your deliveries during this intense time, UPS offers a 15-minute free consultation, during which it will be happy to talk about your company, goals and challenges. Fill out the contact form and one of their experts will contact you.

#### **Book your free consultation now**





### CEMBA no. 1 in Perspektywy Ranking

Our member company, CEMBA Canadian Executive MBA has been awarded the best full English MBA Program in Poland and the best quality of faculty in Poland according to the Perspektywy ranking!

Congratulations!





# **Contact us!**

If you have any news or success that you would like to share with the PCCC community, do not hesitate to contact us!

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