



## NATIONAL CHAMBER OF CHIMNEY SWEEPS

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EUROPEAN FEDERATION OF CHIMNEY-SWEEPS  
Hans-Günther Beyerstedt, Präsident/President  
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Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce that the National Chamber of Chimney Sweeps with its seat in Warsaw has been established in Poland. We have been waiting for many years to fill this important gap on the map. Warsaw, the capital city of Poland, the seat of the President, the Parliament, ministries and central agencies, has hitherto been deprived of a national independent non-profit organization of chimney sweeps. Now, this has changed! The National Chamber of Chimney Sweeps was entered in the National Court Register on 19/02/2016 under the number 0000602882.

The Chamber operates to ensure the safety in buildings equipped with chimneys and ventilation ducts as well as to maintain jobs of master chimney sweeps.

The main objectives of the National Chamber of Chimney Sweeps include:

1. Promotion of regular use of chimney sweep services provided by well-trained experts, thus ensuring substantial contribution to energy efficiency, independence and cost-effectiveness for the customers as well as environmental protection.
2. Cooperation with the government institutions as well as scientific, technical and social organizations in the field of public safety by eliminating the risks of carbon monoxide poisonings, fires caused by heating devices and chimneys, or the gas explosions.
3. Promoting the development of technology, inventiveness and innovation as well as dissemination and implementation of new technical solutions for flue gas discharge and ventilation.
4. Dissemination of knowledge and protection of consumer rights, including the promotion and care for their right to individual heating, by supporting the quality of materials applied in chimney and ventilation systems, the efficiency of which is a very important condition for elimination of potential risks.
5. Taking actions for safe, environmentally friendly and economical operation of the heating, chimney and ventilation devices.
6. Representation and protection of the collective interests of our members.
7. Continued training and education of chimney sweeps.

The seat and the proximity of the central government authorities will undoubtedly facilitate the achievement of the above objectives, whereas the openness of the Chamber to cooperate with organizations related to civil engineering, chimneys and ventilation systems will strengthen the position of chimney sweeps in creating new regulations.

If the relevant legal regulations come into force, we will be able to consider the possibility to transform our Association into the Chamber of the Professional Self-Government of Chimney Sweeps.

The National Chamber of Chimney Sweeps has been founded by experienced master chimney sweeps from seven provinces. Starting from the Pomerania and Warmia-Mazury in the north, through Masovian, Łódź and Greater Poland in the centre, to the Silesian and Świętokrzyskie in the south.





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The Board is composed of the representative of various entities with many years of experience in providing chimney sweep services. The members include three individual craftsmen, two presidents of chimney cooperatives and a representative of a private chimney sweep company.

We are convinced that this combination will yield wise decisions for the benefit and safety of all users of chimneys in Poland.

The National Chamber of Chimney Sweeps is currently leading a media and social campaign entitled "INVITE A CHIMNEY SWEEP".

The campaign is designed to promote the chimney sweep services – cleaning and inspection of chimneys.

It is intended to make the public aware that clean air and efficient chimneys are crucial for the health of residents and their well-being. This can be achieved through regular use of the above-mentioned sweep chimney services.

The campaign is conducted at trade fairs, in press, on television and in the form of hundreds of written communications addressed to national and local authorities Mayors, Heads of Districts or Municipalities.

A representative of the National Chamber of Chimney Sweeps, as the only chimney sweep, was invited to participate in the meeting of entrepreneurs with the President of the Republic of Poland, Andrzej Duda, at the Presidential Palace on 15 June 2016.

Intense activity of the National Chamber of Chimney Sweeps has attracted a number of master chimney sweeps and apprentices and many more show interest in joining the new, rapidly growing organization. One may expect that in the near future, the National Chamber of Chimney Sweeps will consolidate the environment of chimney sweeps and become the main professional organization of chimney sweeps in Poland.

More information about the National Chamber of Chimney Sweeps can be found at [www.izbakominiarzy.pl](http://www.izbakominiarzy.pl)

We would appreciate to receive current information about the activities of EUROPEAN FEDERATION OF CHIMNEY-SWEEPS.

Greetings from the chimney sweeps!

Attachments:

1. Articles of Association of the National Chamber of Chimney Sweeps
2. Extract from the National Court Register