

## Chronicle

### 40th Winter School on Wave and Quantum Acoustics Szczyrk, Poland, February 27 – March 4, 2011

I have a great pleasure to inform the “AA” Readers that the 40th Winter School on Wave and Quantum Acoustics, organized by Upper Silesian Division of the Polish Acoustical Society and Institute of Physics – Scientific-Didactics Center at Silesian University of Technology, is planned at the turn of February and March 2011 in beautiful scenery of Silesian Beskid Mountains. Many times it was organized in Wisła, Skoczów, Szczyrk and Korbielów, and this year it will be organized again in Szczyrk.

As always, the School has been a place where achievements of various sections of physical acoustics (especially molecular acoustics, quantum acoustics, acousto-optics, magnetoacoustics, acoustoelectronics, photoacoustics, acoustics of solids etc.) are being exchanged. Moreover, some similar and related topics, for example optoelectronics and thermal wave methods, will be presented too.

As at the previous years, the School will be divided into three different, but complementary, parts – Winter Workshops (WW). Chronologically it will be: *7th WW on Acoustoelectronics* (chairman Prof. Marian Urbańczyk, Silesian University of Technology, Gliwice), *7th WW on Molecular Acoustics, Relaxation and Calorimetric Methods* (chairwoman Dr. Marzena Dzida, Silesian University, Katowice) and *16th WW on Photoacoustics and Thermal Waves Methods* (chairman Prof. Jerzy Bodzenta, Silesian University of Technology, Gliwice). Moreover, this year we propose to participate in associated conference – the 5th Conference on *Integrated Optics – Sensors, Sensing Structures and Methods* (chairman Prof. Tadeusz Pustelny, Silesian University of Technology, Gliwice).

Many information about these conferences you can find at

<http://ogpta.polsl.pl/wswqa>

<http://ios.polsl.pl/>

After acceptance by revivers, the School lectures will be published in one of three journals – in *Acta Physica Polonica A*, which is published by Polish Academy of Science, in *International Journal of Thermophysics* published by Springer (only for *WW on MARCM* and *WW on PTWM*), or in *Journal of Molecular and Quantum Acoustics* (annual journal published by Upper Silesian Division of the Polish Acoustical Society, for all workshops). Moreover, all participants will obtain the last issue of the *Journal of Molecular and Quantum Acoustics*.

Once again we have taken pains to organize this conference, taking into account the fact that it is an important event for acousticians, opticians and other Polish and foreign scientists. We hope that such a conference program will gain acceptance and respect among its potential participants. We count on your numerous response and active participation.

In behalf of Organizers  
*Roman Bukowski*  
coordinator of the School