

PERSONAL INFORMATION



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WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2016 – to present Director
Centre for European Regional and Local Studies EUROREG, University of Warsaw, Warsaw (Poland)
- 2016 – 2018 Director of Academy for Regional Development, post-diploma study commissioned by Polish Ministry for Development.
- 2014 – 2016 Counsellor for Students' Affairs
Centre for European Regional and Local Studies EUROREG, University of Warsaw, Warsaw (Poland)
- 2003 – to present Assistant Professor
Centre for European Regional and Local Studies EUROREG, University of Warsaw, Warsaw (Poland)
Coordinator
- 2007-2014 ESPON EU Programme Contact Point financed by the Ministry for Regional Development from EU funds
- 1997 – 2005 Scientific assistant
University of Bialystok, Faculty of Economics, Department of International Economic Relations (Poland)
- 1999 – 2003 Specialist on territorial cooperation
Ministry of Economics, Labour and Social Affairs, Department of Regional Development in Bialystok (Poland)

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- 2014 Habilitation in Economics
University of Bialystok (Poland)
- 2003 Ph.D. in Economics
University of Bialystok (Poland)
- 1997 M.A. in Economics
University of Warsaw, Bialystok Branch, Faculty of Economics (Poland)

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue(s)	Polish				
	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	C2	C2	C1	C1	C1
Russian	B2	B2	B2	B1	B1
Ukrainian	B2	B2	A2	A2	A1

Main areas of expertise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ designing, implementing and leading research projects on regional and local development (main topics: role of science sector in socio-economic development, spatial aspects of innovativeness and science and research activities, territorial cooperation, technological aspects of local and regional development, development of less-favoured regions, urban economics) ▪ evaluation of the scientific sector on the regional and local level also with the use of bibliometric and scientometric methods ▪ experience in teaching, lecturing, training ▪ consultancy on regional development and regional policy
Computer skills and competences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Microsoft Office™ (Word™, Excel™, PowerPoint™, Access™) ▪ statistical packages (SPSS™) ▪ bibliographic management tools (EndNote, Zotero, Mendeley); ▪ mind mapping tools (MindManager™), ▪ qualitative data analysis software MAXQDA™

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Research projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Economic, Social and Spatial Inequalities in Europe in the Era of Global Mega-trends (ESSPIN), HORIZON-CL2-2021-TRANSFORMATIONS-01-03, 2022-2025, Polish team leader. ▪ Spatial aspects of relocation strategies of high-tech enterprises in the face of war. Ukrainian-Polish perspective, 2022-2023, Excellence Initiative – Research University (University of Warsaw), principle investigator. ▪ The impact of virtualization of scientific conferences on inequalities in science, 2022-2023, Excellence Initiative – Research University (University of Warsaw), principle investigator. ▪ Quasi-experimental analysis of academics mobility; National Science Centre Grant (2018/31/B/HS4/03997) (on-going), core research team member. ▪ Technological Transformation and Transitioning of Regional Economies, ESPON, 2019-2020, Polish team leader. ▪ Study on the effectiveness of public innovation support for SMEs in Europe, study for European Commission's Executive Agency for Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises, EASME, contractor: Development and Evaluation Unit, CSIL Centre for Industrial Studies; 2020, country expert. ▪ The Role of Evaluation in Cohesion Policy, study for the European Parliament, REGI Commission, contractor: Development and Evaluation Unit, CSIL Centre for Industrial Studies; 2020, research team member. ▪ How to tackle challenges in a future-oriented EU industrial strategy?, study for European Parliament's Committee on Industry, Research and Energy, contractor: Development and Evaluation Unit, CSIL Centre for Industrial Studies; 2019; research team member. ▪ The analysis of the regions at risk of marginalisation, Ministry for Infrastructure and Development, 2018, research team member. ▪ ESPON SME: Small and Medium-sized Enterprises in European Regions and Cities, August 2016- February 2017, Polish team leader and academic peer. ▪ COHESIFY: The Impact of Cohesion Policy on EU Identification, January 2016 – March 2019, research team member. ▪ Impact of the Economic Crisis on Social, Economic and Territorial Cohesion of the European Union, study for European Parliament, contractor: LSE Enterprise Ltd, 2013-2014, research team member. ▪ Polish scientific centres in the European cooperation network- determinants, determinants and mechanisms; National Science Centre grant (2011/03/B/HS4/05737), 2012- 2017, principal investigator: ▪ GRINCOH: Growth – Innovation – Competitiveness: Fostering Cohesion in Central and Eastern Europe, 7th EU Framework Programme, March 2012- March 2015, research team member. ▪ KNOW-MAN: Knowledge Network Management in Technology Parks, Interreg IV c; January 2010- December 2012, coordinator of Polish team. ▪ Cities and their universities for creation of knowledge and innovation; Ministry for Regional Development
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grant DKS/BDG-II/POPT/184/11; September-October 2011, coordinator.

- ESPON FOCI. Future Orientation for Cities; October 2008- December 2011, expert.
- Scientific potential and innovativeness of Polish regions; Ministry for Science and Higher Education grant (N N114 208434); April 2009 – September 2011, principle investigator.
- Territorial Cohesion of Innovation System in Poland in the Context of the Implementation of Structural Funds; Ministry for Regional Development grant (DKS/DEF-III/POPT/04/194/08); August 2008 – December 2008, principle investigator.
- eSUDOVIA, Innovative potential of the Suwalki subregionu for the development of the new technologies and the Information Society; August 2006-November 2007.
- ESPON Contact Point financed by the Ministry for Regional Development from EU funds, July 2007- 2014, coordinator.
- ESPON 1.2.3 “Identification of Spatially Relevant Aspects of The Information Society”; July 2005-May 2006, principle investigator.
- EXLINEA: Lines of Exclusion as Arenas of Co-operation, 5 EU Framework Program, September 2004 – December 2005, expert.
- Expert: ESPON 2.4.2 Integrated Analyses of Translational and National Territories based on ESPON results; September 2004 – December 2005, expert.
- Lvov Development Project Ministry of International Relations of Great Britain; September 2003 – December 2004, expert.
- ESPON 2.2.2: “Territorial Effects of the “Aquis Communitare” pre-accession aid and Phare/Tacis/Meda Programmes; July 2003 – December 2004, expert.
- Technical progress, endogenous growth, knowledge-based economy and the opportunities for Poland in the integrated Europe, Committee of Scientific Research grant (2H02C 07922); October 2002 – April 2003, expert.
- Poland transborder cooperation with Baltic Countries, Byelorussia, Russia; March 2002 – September 2002, expert.
- Opportunities for peripheral regions in contemporary information economy); Committee of Scientific Research grant (H02C 021 19); October 2000- December 2002, principle investigator.
- Via Baltica Spatial Development Zone, INTERREG II C; March 1999 – June 2000, expert.

Evaluations/ experts reports (selected)

- Ex-ante evaluation of the project of Regional Development Strategy of Lodzkie Voivodship 2030, contractor: Spatial Planning Office of the Lodzkie Voivodship in Łódź, INFONDO Sp z o.o., 2020.
- The use of Big Data as a city development factor. Expert’s study for the preparation of the New National Urban Policy, contracting authority: Department of Strategy, Ministry of Funds and Regional Policy 2020.
- Study on prioritisation in the national and regional research and innovation strategies for smart specialisation, contracting authority: European Commission, DG Regional and Urban Policy Agency for Small and Medium Sized Enterprises EASME, Centre for Industrial Studies CSIL, Milan, 2020.
- Diagnosis of the tourist sector in Świętokrzyskie Voivodship; contracting authority: Marshal Office of Świętokrzyskie Voivodship, Regional Studies Association – Polish section, 2020.
- Study on the effectiveness of public innovation support for SMEs in Europe; contracting authority: European Commission’s Executive, Centre for Industrial Studies CSIL, Milan Italy, 2020
- Review of the project: Podkarpackie economy against the challenges of Industry 4.0, contracting authority: Marshal Office of Podkarpackie Voivodship, IBERiS, 2020.
- The role of evaluation in Cohesion Policy, contracting authority: European Parliament, REGI Commission, Centre for Industrial Studies CSIL, Milan Italy, 2020.
- How to tackle challenges in a future-oriented EU industrial strategy?, contracting authority: European Parliament, Centre for Industrial Studies CSIL, Milan Italy, 2019.
- Chapter: Evaluation of the EU smart specialisations policy. Challenge and the proposed changes in the Report: Analysis of the innovative potential of Mazovia region in domestic and international perspective, 2019, contracting authority: Marshal Office in Warsaw, in Polish.
- Identification of areas of R&D activity of enterprises in the Mazowieckie Voivodship and the directions of R&D collaboration for the implementation of smart specialisation in Mazowieckie, 2017; contracting

authority: Marshal Office in Warsaw.

- Potential of scientific and research institutions in the Lubelskie Voivodship, their domestic and foreign contacts, contracting authority: Marshal Office in Lublin ,2012.
- Several evaluations of Polish science position in the international arena (medical science, chemistry, mathematics, material science, physics, informatics, social science and humanities, agriculture, earth science); contracting authority: PolSCA - Polish Science Contact Agency, co-author: A. Płoszaj, 2009-2016, in Polish.
- Proposals of possible directions of government action in Polish regions. Growth potentials of Polish regions” used in: Regional Policy in Poland, Ministry for Regional Development, Warsaw 2011 (s.19-34), contracting authority: Ministry for Regional Development, in Polish.
- The use of structural instruments of EU for enhancing innovativeness of Polish economy; contracting authority: Fundacja Gospodarki i Administracji Publicznej, co-authors: G. Gorzelak, A. Płoszaj, in Polish.
- ICT Publications in Poland – Bibliometric Analysis; July 2009 – August 2009.
- Polish Regional Innovation Strategies. Evaluation and Recommendations; contracting authority: Ministry for Regional Development grant; November 2005 – December 2005.
- Polish case study - research on university-enterprise-government relations, contracting authority: UNESCO/IIEP, 2005.
- The labour market in Warmia-Mazury Region and ways of its improvement; contracting authority: ILO; January 2005 –April 2005.

Selected publications

Monographs (since 2000):

- Diagnosis of the tourist sector in swietokrzyskie voivodship. Raporty i Analizy EUROREG 10/2021, pp. 340. co-authors: Smętkowski M., Wojnar K., Molski C., Rok J. Ćwik A., Gorzelak G. (in Polish)
- Technological Transformation & Transitioning of Regional Economies, Luksemburg: ESPON 2020; co-authors: Capello R., Džubáková M., Eparvier P., Lanoix K., Lenzi C., Mikheeva O., Nausedaite R., Noguera L., Biosca O., Radosevic S., Rafa R., Romanainen J., Smętkowski M., Rehák Š., Šipikal M., UlieuInputs A.
- Equality or efficiency of development. The essays inspired by the works of Grzegorz Gorzelak Warsaw: Wydawnictwo Naukowe SCHOLAR, pp. 523; co-editor: Herbst M. (in Polish)
- The geography of scientific collaboration: theory, evidence and policy. Routledge 2019. co-authors: A. Płoszaj, D. Celińska-Janowicz.
- How to tackle challenges in a future-oriented EU industrial strategy? Luxembourg 2019, co-authors: J. Pellegrin, L. Colnot, F. Prota, F. Ardizzone, L. Delponte, M. Capriati, C. Smith.
- Impact of the Economic Crisis on Social, Economic and Territorial Cohesion of the European Union, vol. I. Brussels 2014, European Parliament, co-authors: S. Milio, R. Crescenzi, N. Durazzi, M. Fossarello, E. Garnizova, P. Janowski, D. Luca, W. Schelkle.
- Models and tools for territorial analysis, Warszawa 2014, Wydawnictwo Naukowe Scholar, pp. 102, co-authors: K. Wojnar, D. Celińska-Janowicz, J. Rok, in Polish.
- Universities, Cities and Regions. Loci for Knowledge and Innovation Creation, Routledge, 2012; co-editors: R. Capello, G. Gorzelak
- Science potential and innovativeness of regions, Wydawnictwo Naukowe SCHOLAR, Warszawa 2012, in Polish.
- Knowledge Network Management Toolbox. 2nd Know- Man Brochure, Wydawnictwo Naukowe SCHOLAR, Warszawa 2012 co-editor: S. Schmidt.
- The European Metropolises and Their Regions: From Economic Landscapes to Metropolitan Networks, Warszawa 2011; co-authors: M. Smętkowski, G. Gorzelak, M. Kozak, A. Płoszaj, K. Wojnar.
- Poland from the Perspective of ESPON Research—Assessments, Conclusions, Recommendations, SCHOLAR, Warszawa 2009; editor; co-editor: G. Gorzelak, in Polish.
- Polish Science in the Network? Spatial Aspects of Science and Innovation. Research Report, Warszawa 2008; co-author: A. Płoszaj, in Polish.
- Peripheral Regions in the Knowledge Based Economy, Wydawnictwo Scholar, Warszawa 2004, in Polish.

Selected articles and book chapters (since 2000):

- Action plan for the north-Białystok area [in:] Śleszyński P., Herbst M., Komornicki T. (eds.) Studies on Problem Areas in Poland, Warsaw: Komitet Przestrzennego Zagospodarowania Kraju PAN, 2020, 7/199, pp. 359-394. co-authors: Herbst M., Biedka W.
- The role of science in the process of Smart Specialisation policy evolution in the EU. "Zagadnienia naukoznawstwa", vol. 55, I (219) 2019, pp. 95-101, in Polish.
- Running faster or measuring better? How is the R&D sector in Central and Eastern Europe catching up with Western Europe? [w:] Gorzelak G. (eds.) Social and Economic Development in Central and Eastern Europe, London/New York: Routledge, 2020 pp. 151-178 co-author: A. Płoszaj.
- The role of proximity in establishing collaboration among Polish scholars. "Zagadnienia Naukoznawstwa" 2018, Vol. LII, 3(213), ss. 285-308; co-author: Celińska-Janowicz D., A. Płoszaj, Wojnar K., in Polish.
- Scientific collaboration as element of innovative potential of European regions. "Studia Regionalne i Lokalne", 1(67)/2017, ss. 5-25; co-author: M. Smętkowski, A. Płoszaj Smętkowski, in Polish.
- Short-Term Problems and Long-Term Oriented Policy: EU Cohesion Policy Responding to Crisis, Barometr Regionalny 2016, no 14(3), s. 25-32, co-author: D. Wojtowicz.
- Running faster or measuring better? How is the R&D sector in Central and Eastern Europe catching up with Western Europe? GRINCOH Working Paper Series, 2015, Paper No. 3.06, co-author: A. Płoszaj.
- Poland - Case Study. [in:] Milio Simona (ed.) Impact of the Economic Crisis on Social, Economic and Territorial Cohesion of the European Union, vol. II. Case Studies. Brussels 2014, European Parliament, pp. 63-89, co-author: D. Wojtowicz.
- Regional cooperation or external links? Spatial proximity in science-business relations in Poland [in:] Capello R., Olechnicka A., Gorzelak G. (eds.) Universities, Cities and Regions. Loci for Knowledge and Innovation Creation, Routledge, 2012.

- Strategies of leading universities facing new conditions and functions of higher education institutions, *Studia Regionalne i Lokalne*, 1(43) 2011, co-authors: Adam Płoszaj, Katarzyna Wojnar, in Polish.
- Academia- Industry-Government Interaction: a case study in Poland [in:], Martin M. (ed). In search of the Triple Helix. Academia-industry-government interactions in China, Poland, and the Republic of Korea. Paris: International Institute for Educational Planning UNESCO; co-author: M. Kondratiuk-Nierodzińska.
- Higher Education Institutions: Potential, Barriers, Costs, Opportunities [in:] Mazur S. (ed) The Resource-integrating state: Development Potential vs. the Quality of Public Regulations. UE w Krakowie i MSAP, Kraków 2011; co-authors: M. Herbst, A. Płoszaj.
- Spatial aspects of collaborative networks in science – lessons from Poland, „*Studia Regionalne i Lokalne*” special issue 2010; co-author: A. Płoszaj.
- Mapping the regional science performance. Evidence from Poland, *Collnet Journal of Scientometrics And Information Management* 4(1) 2010; co-author: A. Płoszaj.
- Are networks of cooperation the solution for the innovativeness of region? [in:] G. Gorzelak, A. Tucholska (eds), European challenge for Poland and its regions, MRD, EUROREG UW, Warszawa 2010; co-author: A. Płoszaj, in Polish.
- Analysis of strategies, models and evolution paths of world leading higher educational institutions, Politechnika Warszawska, Warszawa 2010, co-authors: W. Pander, A. Płoszaj, K. Wojnar, in Polish.
- Innovative Warsaw- diagnosis of the potential. Report for the City of Warsaw, Warszawa 2010, co-authors: A. Płoszaj, M. Smętkowski, K. Wojnar, in Polish.
- Metropolis and Innovation [in:] Jałowiecki B., Does the metropolis is still a city? SCHOLAR, Warszawa 2009; co-author: A. Płoszaj, in Polish.
- Spatial aspects of science in Poland, „*Zagadnienia Naukoznawstwa*” nr 2/2009; co-author: A. Płoszaj, in Polish.
- Polish Publications in the Field of Social Sciences and Humanities in the Web of Science atabase. Bibliometrical Analysis, *Polish Journal of Continuing Education* 1/2009; co-author: A. Płoszaj, in Polish.
- Stocks and Flows of Intellectual Capital. Bibliometric Analysis of Polish Science [in:] Okoń-Horodyńska E., Wisła R. (eds), Intellectual Capital and Its Protection, Warszawa 2009; co-author: A. Płoszaj, in Polish.
- Regional Potential of Polish Science [in:] A. Nowakowska (eds), Innovativeness of Regions in the Global Economy, Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Łódzkiego, Łódź 2009, in Polish.
- The Role of Higher Education Institutions in the Region. International Experience [in:] T. Markowski (eds), The role of Higher Education Institutions in the City Space, *Studia KPZK PAN*, t. CXXI, Warszawa 2008; co-author: K. Wojnar, in Polish.
- The ICT Impact on the Development of the Peripheral Region- Case of the Podlaskie Voivodship], „*Studia Regionalne i Lokalne*” 4(30)/2007; co-author: M. Smętkowski, in Polish.
- Innovativeness of the Polish Regions [in:] G. Gorzelak (eds), Regional and local Poland in the light of the EUROREG’s Research, Scholar, Warszawa 2007, in Polish.
- Information Society in the European Space, „*Studia Regionalne i Lokalne*” 1(27)/2007; co-author: G. Gorzelak, in Polish.
- Regional innovation strategies in Poland, „*Studia Regionalne i Lokalne*” 1 (27)/2007; co-authors: G. Gorzelak, A. Bąkowski, M. Kozak, A. Płoszaj, in Polish.
- Innovativeness of the Polish regions. Methods of measurement, state of art and tendencies] [in:] G. Gorzelak, A. Tucholska (eds), Development, region, space, Ministerstwo Rozwoju Regionalnego, Warszawa 2007, in Polish.
- Spatially Relevant Aspects of the Information Society. Podlaskie Voivodship case, [in:] Brzeziński C. (ed), Problemy rozwoju europejskich regionów w warunkach integracji europejskiej, Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu Łódzkiego, Łódź 2007; co-author: M. Smętkowski, in Polish.
- Marketplaces in border region [in:] Local and Regional Cross Border Co-operation Between Poland and Ukraine, K. Krok, M. Smętkowski (eds), Wydawnictwo Naukowe “Scholar”, Warszawa 2006.
- Expected effects of cross-border co-operation and EU enlargement [in:] Local and Regional Cross Border Co-operation Between Poland and Ukraine, K. Krok, M. Smętkowski (eds), Wydawnictwo Naukowe “Scholar”, Warszawa 2006; co-author: K. Krok.

- Polish regional innovation strategies. Assessment and conclusions for future actions], Ministerstwo Rozwoju Regionalnego, Warszawa 2006; co-authors: G. Gorzelak, A. Bąkowski, M. Kozak, A. Płoszaj, in Polish.
- How to Improve the Situation on the Difficult Labour Market? Analysis of the Situation in Warmińsko-Mazurskie Voivodship, „Studia Regionalne i Lokalne” 1(23)/2006; co-authors: G. Gorzelak., M. Herbst, in Polish.
- Problem of Peripherality-Contemporary View [in:] Boltromiuk A. (eds), Regiony peryferyjne w perspektywie polityki strukturalnej UE, Wydawnictwo Uniwersytetu w Białymstoku, Białystok 2003, in Polish.
- Innovative Potential of Polish Regions, [in:] Zienkowski L. (eds), Wiedza i rozwój gospodarczy, Wydawnictwo Naukowe Scholar, Warszawa 2003; co-author: G. Gorzelak, in Polish.
- Preconditions for Transborder co-operation on the Polish-Lithuanian border], [in:] Bieńkowski W., Grabowiecki J., Wnorowski H. (eds), Współpraca Transgraniczna Polski z Krajami Bałtyckimi, Białorusią i Rosją - Ob. Kaliningradzki w warunkach integracji z Unią Europejską, Białystok 2003; co-author: A. Grosz, in Polish.
- Information Civilisation as a Development Challenge, OPTIMUM Studia Ekonomiczne nr 2 (14), Białystok 2002, in Polish.
- Regional Development in Information Economy, „Studia Regionalne i Lokalne” 4 (4)/2001, in Polish.
- Information as a Factor of Regional Development], [in:] J Brdulak (eds) Problemy Rozwoju Regionalnego, VIII Kongres Ekonomistów Polskich, PTE, Tom V, Wyd. Bellona, Warszawa 2001, in Polish.

Other activities and awards

- Editor-in-chief of a scientific journal: Studia Regionalne i Lokalne (indexed in SCOPUS), since 2016.
- Secretary of the Regional Studies Association - Polish section; since 2016.
- Co-founder and core team member of the Science Study Laboratory, University of Warsaw, since 2020
- member Member of European Commission’s Scientific Advisory Group on Pilot Actions on Industrial Transition and Interregional Cooperation. European Commission Directorate General, Regional and Urban Policy, 2018-2020.
- Member of team for programming World City Forum 11 in Katowice in 2022, coordinated by the Ministry of Development Funds and Regional Policy, 2020-2022.
- Member of Science of Science Committee, Polish Academy of Science, 2019- 2022.
- Member of Committee of Spatial Economy and Regional Planning, Polish Academy of Science, 2019-2022.
- Grant proposals evaluator for ERC (external), National Science Centre (Polnad), Urban Europe.
- Reviewer: Plos One, Economic Geography, Geografiska Annaler: Series B, Human Geography
- Awards of the Rector of the University of Warsaw for scientific achievement in 2006 and 2019,
- Awards of the Rector of the University of Białystok for scientific achievements in 2002 and 2003.
- Prof. Jerzy Kołodziejski Prize for the book "Peripheral regions in the information economy", 2004.