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All members and friends of Polish-American Engineers Association are cordially invited to attend our meeting.

- DATE:** Friday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022
- TIME:** Business Meeting begins 8:00 p.m. CST; Presentation immediately following
- PLACE:** virtual meeting via **Google Meets:**  
<https://meet.google.com/ipd-rfro-sif>  
Dial-in: (US) +1 678-561-1342 PIN: 407 669 572#  
Canada (CA) +1 226-213-8281 PIN: 570 286 898 5753#
- SPEAKER:** Dr. Piotr D. Moncarz, Ph.D., P.E., NAE
- TOPIC:** Abundant clean energy under our feet – GeoHeat™ closed loop harvesting
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## Dr. Piotr D. Moncarz

Professor Piotr D. Moncarz, a 1968 graduate of the Bridge and Road Construction Vocational school in Poznan; a 1981 Ph.D. of Stanford University School of Engineering; currently Adjunct Professor at Stanford University, teaching graduate classes for over 35 years. Dr. Moncarz specializes in the study and prevention of engineering and scientific in nature failures and disasters. He is a Principle Engineer and Senior Fellow at Exponent Failure Analysis Associates ([www.exponent.com](http://www.exponent.com)), a leading failure analysis and prevention firm in the world- a publicly held think tank of some 400 Ph.D.'s and about thousand employees. In 2017 Dr. Moncarz was inducted into the National Academy of Engineering of the United States. He has authored hundreds of publications, lectures and speeches.

Dr. Moncarz is also Co-founder and chairman of the US-Polish Trade Council ([www.usptc.org](http://www.usptc.org)), a pro-bono professional organization dedicated to the transfer of knowledge and the strengthening of co-operation between Poland and the United States. He is Vice President of the Board of the Polish Engineering Council of North America; and co-organizer and academic director at Stanford University's Top 500 Innovators Program. He is also co-creator and a Member of the Board of Electro-mobility Poland S.A.

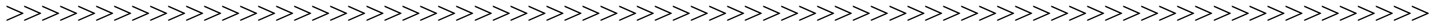
Dr. Moncarz is an engineer, entrepreneur and academic teacher, actively involved in the Polish diaspora efforts on behalf of Poland.



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You may also pay your dues at our meetings (once we re-start face-to-face meetings), and receive your Membership Card immediately.

Again, dues are critical in supporting the work of the PAEA- thank you for your support.



## Gwiazdka / Christmas Celebration 2021

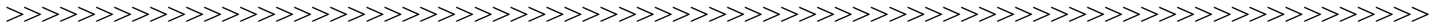
It was great to see everyone able to make it to our 2021 Gwiazdka, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at Art Gallery Kafe! Thanks to all for coming, and bringing family and friends.

We would also like to thank all involved in the planning and execution of our event, including the entire Administration (and Aleksandra Jakubowski and Bartlomiej Bobek and family for clean-up after the event). We would like to especially thank Danuta Szymulanski, for donating her beautiful artwork and administering our Silent Auction; and Rene' Pietrzyk for being MC. Finally, we would like to thank Krzysztof Kompiel (and helpers) for the pictures below; and Piotr Deoniziak for making the event extra special for the children, as St. Nicholas...





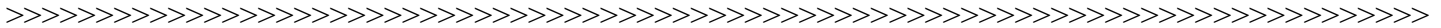




**5<sup>th</sup> Annual World-Wide Conference of Polish Engineers – 23-25 June, 2022**

All PAEA Members and Sympathizers are invited to join the 5th Annual World-Wide Conference of Polish Engineers (ŚZIP), taking place 23-25 June, 2022, in Gliwica, Poland. For more information (in Polish, as will be the conference), please see:

<https://szip.org.pl/program/>







## **Special Interest**

If anyone has an item of Special Interest to the PAEA Membership and sympathizers, please sent the details to [contact@polishengineers.org](mailto:contact@polishengineers.org) for inclusion in the next (monthly except for June-August & December) published Bulletin.

Note that information provided is for Member & Sympathizer interest, and does not represent the views of the Polish American Engineers Association. Events listed are not in any way sponsored by the PAEA.

## **Polish American Congress of Illinois Events Calendar**

For a comprehensive and up-to-date listing of events in Polonia, please see the PAC-IL Polonia Calendar (many thanks to Mirek Niedzinski, Roman Korczak and the PAC-IL team for leading!):

<https://www.pacillinois.org/calendar/>

## **The Kosciuszko Foundation – Perspectives of Poland**

Thursday, January 20, 2022 @ 12pm EST – webinar discussion

All PAEA Members and Sympathizers are invited to participate in a webinar discussion with Jaroslaw Garlinski, Bozena Nowicka McLees, and Paulina Duda, Ph.D.; moderated by Marian A. Kornilowicz, Esq.; and hosted by The Kosciuszko Foundation.

This seminar discusses issues that Poles, whether living in Poland or elsewhere, face on occasion. The panel will share their thoughts on what does it mean to be Polish or have a Polish identity? In short, what makes us Polish? Is it language, is it shared values, is it ancestry?

Does this sense of identity change over time? What factors affect this sense of identity?

Do Poles who were born and live in Poland see themselves and the world differently than Poles who were born in Poland but no longer live in Poland or Poles who were born and live outside Poland?

How would members of each group answer the following:

- Are Poles disappointed that Poland does not play a greater role in the world? Is their disappointment justified? Do Poles in fact have a realistic view of Poland's place in the world?
- How are Poland and the Poles viewed by others? How does the non-Polish world engage with Poland? Are there differences in how Poles and Poland are viewed by others depending on location? For example, what are the differences in British and American attitudes toward Poles?
- Do Poland and the Poles suffer from a 'bad press' internationally?
- Do Poles ever experience any kind of discrimination?

How does all this play into the teaching of the Polish language, literature, and culture? Are there comparatively fewer centers of Polish studies than centers of Spanish, French, or German studies based on the number of speakers? How can interest in teaching things Polish be increased? An influencer? The Witcher?

For more information, and to register, please see:

[https://www.thekf.org/kf/events/KF\\_Online\\_Programs/perspectives-of-poland-a-webinar/](https://www.thekf.org/kf/events/KF_Online_Programs/perspectives-of-poland-a-webinar/)

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