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MARIUSZ-ORION JĘDRYSEK PRESIDENT OF SEABED COUNCIL FOR 2006

Mr. Mariusz-Orion Jędrysek, who was elected President of the Seabed Council for the 12th session of the Authority on 14 August 2006, is Under-Secretary of State and Chief National Geologist in the Government of Poland.

Born on 28 April 1962, in Głubczyce (opolskie Voivodship), Mr Jędrysek obtained his Masters degree in geological sciences from the University of Wroclaw in 1985, followed by a doctorate in Natural Sciences (isotopic tracing of seafloor metamorphism and origin of ore deposits in ophiolitic complexes) from the Institute of Physics of the Marie Skłodowska-Curie University, in Lublin, and the Institute of Geological Sciences of the University of Wroclaw. He also pursued studies in Management Studies at the Warsaw School of Economics.

In 1987, Mr. Jędrysek embarked on a career in academia at the University of Wroclaw. By 1998 he was appointed Head of the Division of Applied Geology, and in 2004 he gained the rank of full Professor of Earth Sciences.

During the course of his studies and his scientific activities, Mr Jędrysek took up several international fellowships which enabled him to benefit from academic experiences in Japan, Canada, the United States, Ireland, the United Kingdom and Germany.

Mr Jędrysek is the author of more than 100 scientific publications, which have been published in numerous international scientific journals. He serves on the editorial boards of two international journals: *Environmental Chemistry Letters* and *Materials and Geo-environment*. He was also Editor-in-Chief of "Coursebook on Isotope Geology", published in 1990.

Mr. Jędrysek is a member of a number of international scientific organisations including European Society for Isotope Research, of which he is the founder: the European Association of Chemistry and the Environment; the Polish Geological Society, the Polish Mineralogical Society; and the Scientific Council of the International Ecological Centre of the Polish Academy of Sciences.