

The President's address

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have an honour, on behalf of the Organising Committee of the 7th International Congress and as the President of the GCIRC, to greet you all, participants and guests, most heartily welcome.

First of all I address this welcome to Mr. Bolesław Maćkowiak, our Vice-Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Food Economy.

I want as well to address a special welcome to representatives of local authorities of Voivodeship and City of Poznań.

I have also to extend a warm welcome to Professor Dr. Kazimierz Szebiotko, Rector of the Poznań Agriculture University and to Professor Dr. Władysław Węgorek, the President of the Poznań Branch of Polish Academy of Sciences.

At last but not least I want to thank all organisations, first of all thanks are due to the Ministry of Agriculture Forestry and Food Economy, for having made this Congress possible through different grants. I very much welcome their representatives present here today.

Also, I am happy to have the honour to greet all our foreign participants from all parts of the world, namely Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Czechoslovakia, Chinese Peoples Republic, Denmark, Egypt, Ethiopia, Finland, France, German Democratic Republic, German Federal Republic, Hungary, India, Iran, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Morocco, Netherlands, Nepal, Norway, Pakistan, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States of North America, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

There are 350 reports submitted for presentation of which 70 will be delivered orally and the remaining ones will be shown as posters.

I think that the Congress will provide an excellent opportunity for the exchange of the most updated results of research work and opinions.

I wish all of you a very successful participation in conferences.