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1. Introduction

The mission of the IAHR Poland YPN is to revitalise the Polish community of water-environmental scientists and practitioners, and in particular early-career researchers. The IAHR Poland YPN also aims to promote awareness on hydro-environmental issues and create a roundtable for ideas and innovation, knowledge-exchange and collaboration.

The challenge of our generation is to ensure the Right for information, knowledge and learning new skills related to water and the environment. We believe that science in general is underrepresented in the actual educational system, and this has, with the time, led to a veiled negligence for the care of the environment supporting our existence. Water, air, soil, are key elements of our lives, and still too little is really taught to young humans, which we are, for sure, eager to get their minds dirty with such knowledge. The greatest Challenge for our generation is to make this real, only a bottom-up awareness and education, will allow to build on the actual inequalities a more sustainable structure, and survive in connection to what the Earth can offer.

2. 2020 main goal and key objectives

The 2020 was the first year of the IAHR Poland YPN operation. The main goal was to establish key structures, create visibility in both the scientific community and social media and attract new members. These goals were achieved through the organization of a series of webinars, which were free and open to the public. A continuation of this activity is planned for 2021.

3. Communications

[Website and social networks]

Website	https://sites.google.com/view/iahr-poland- ypn/home
Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/IAHRPolandYPN
Twitter	
Instagram	
Linkedin	
Other	

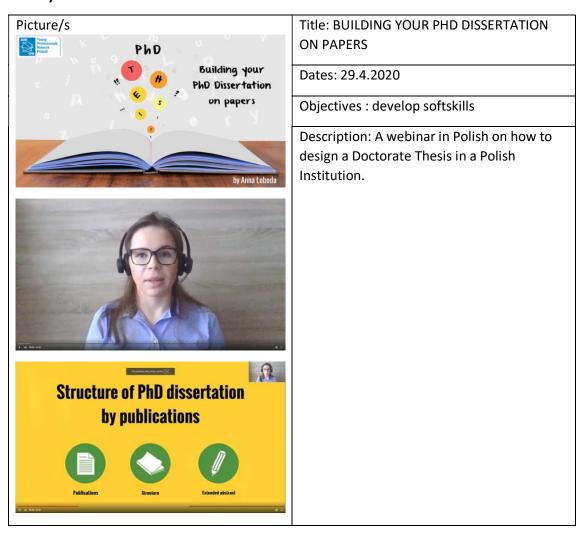
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[Promotional and information materials]

Newsletter/s	
Publication/s	
Other	

4. Activities

Activity 1



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Activity 2



Title: OPPORTUNITIES FOR FUNDING AND MOBILITY FOR YOUNG RESEARCHERS

Dates: 26.6.2020

Objectives: develop softskills in researching the right research funding scheme

Description: Webinar delivered in collaboration with Marie Curie Alumni Association Polish Chapter, Dr R.Soman presented an overview of available funding schemes and Dr. M. Gorna offered her personal view and experience as a successful candidate for different Polish and International grants.

Activity 3



Title: HOW TO WRITE A GOOD PAPER: AN EDITOR'S PERSPECTIVE

Dates: 16.7.2020

Objectives: developing the fundamental skill of presenting your research in a journal paper

Description: Webinar organised with the support of the IAHR Secretariat, as well as YPN community and JoHR editors. Prof. M.Ghidaoui guided us through the preparation of a good quality scientific paper, adding personal perspectives and lessons learned in his career as author, reviewer and editor of a peer-reviewed international journal.

Activities specifically dedicated to promoting membership were not organised.

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5. Partnerships and collaborations

Partner organisations and/or interaction with related national organisations

Organisation	Description of partnership

Collaboration with other YPNs

YPN name	Description of collaboration
IAHR BW-YPN	Only drafted: sharing research topic of members to foster wider collaboration

6. Contributing to the strategic plan

7.1. Please describe how your activities in 2020 have contributed to and advocated for IAHR's vision and strategic plan (https://www.iahr.org/index/detail/101)

The activities of IAHR YPN Poland in 2020 fit into the vision and strategic plan of IAHR during ongoing years. As a new-born group, with the support of the IAHR Secretariat, we were able to organize a webinar, which, until now, reached over 7,000 views among the scientists. Our other webinars with fewer viewers count also reached people that were unaware of our organization. What is more, we shared our experiences and subjects of scientific interests among the members during the first meeting. Participation in the 1st IAHR Young Professionals Congress of 4 of our members helped share topics that they are focusing on. Continuously, we are coorganizing the forthcoming webinar "Experimental Methods and Laboratory Instrumentation in Hydraulics", which fits perfectly with the goals of the organization.

7.2. Please describe how your YPN contributes to the IAHR YPN high-level aims

Due to being 1st year of activity and the special conditions which changed the scheduled program of this year's events, YPN Poland contributed mainly to the aim of creating a coherent network among polish community of young researchers. The first organised online events showed that in spite of the difficulties, our small group started to work together, advertise itself and share ideas.