

## **The Warsaw Bar Association**

The Warsaw Bar Association (in Polish: Izba Adwokacka w Warszawie) is the association of attorneys for the City of Warsaw. The most important goals of the Warsaw Bar are to cultivate the science of law, to promote law reform, to facilitate the administration of justice and to elevate the standards of integrity, honor, professional skill and courtesy in the legal profession.

The Warsaw Bar Association was founded in 1872. With over 140 years of history it is the oldest professional legal association in Poland.

The control and administration over the Warsaw Bar Association is vested in the Council of the Bar (in Polish: Okręgowa Rada Adwokacka).

The Warsaw Bar Association hosts 23 specialized law sections, and more than 20 Groups and Commissions.

The International Cooperation Committee is responsible for promoting international cooperation with foreign Bar Associations around the world (email: **International@ora.waw.pl**). The Warsaw Bar is open to any cooperation proposals and joint projects.

### **Attorneys – *Adwokaci* and Foreign lawyers – *Prawnicy zagraniczni***

In order to practice law in Poland as an attorney, it is mandatory to be a member of the Bar Association. In 2016, there were more than 22,000 attorneys (in Polish: *Adwokat*) licensed to actively practice law in Poland, the majority of whom practice in Warsaw.

If you are an International (foreign) Attorney willing to be registered with the Warsaw Bar Association, you will find useful information and forms below (in English).

The Warsaw Bar International Lawyers Group (also known as KPZ) provides assistance with the registration process. If you have any questions, please contact them directly at: [kpz@ora.waw.pl](mailto:kpz@ora.waw.pl)

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