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The first issue of *Mineralogia Polonica*, the official Journal of the Mineralogical Society of Poland, was published in 1970 soon after foundation of the Society in 1969. *Mineralogia Polonica*, publishing in English from its beginning, has been very important for development of mineralogical sciences in Poland, exchange of scientific journals and international collaboration.

Based on a long discussion with our colleagues from abroad we have agreed that the title mag suggest that the journal is focused on local mineralogical problems from Poland. To avoid this misunderstanding we have decided to modify the title and accordingly the journal cover. The new and simple title *Mineralogia* (with the subtitle *Geochemical, Mineralogical and Petrological Research*) indicates an open character of the journal. We intend to publish original papers, review papers and short notes from broad fields of geochemistry, mineralogy, petrology, technical, experimental and applied mineralogy, environmental geochemistry and mineralogy.

We have also decided to introduce changes in the organization of our Editorial Board to ensure high scientific level of the journal and relatively short time-span between paper submission and publication (electronic and paper versions). The regular series *Mineralogia* will be accompanied by the irregular one (*Mineralogia* – *Special Papers*), containing conference abstracts. The present issue begins new series of the journal. The first issue of *Mineralogia* – *Special Papers* will appear in September 2008 as an abstract volume prepared for the 2nd Central-European Mineralogical Conference.

It is our deep conviction that journals published by scientific societies should be accessible freely to the whole scientific community. Similarly to the former *Mineralogia Polonica*, all full-text papers of the new journal will be accessible on the Society website (www.ptmin.agh.edu.pl), Direct Open Access Journals (www.doaj.org), Metapress (www.metapress.com), as well as on the *Mineralogia* webpage (www.mineralogia.pl).

We invite you to publish your papers in *Mineralogia* and we hope you will like it.

Marek Michalik
President of the Mineralogical Society of Poland

Andrzej Skowroński Editor of *Mineralogia* Four papers published in this volume are related to the Workshop "Accessory Minerals *in-situ*: Microanalytical Methods and Petrological Applications" held in September 2007 in Kraków. The Workshop preceded the Electron Microscopy and Microanalysis Conference organized to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the Scanning Electron Microscopy Laboratory of Biological and Geological Sciences of the Faculty of Biology and Earth Sciences of the Jagiellonian University. The Conference was organized under the auspices of the Polish Branch of European Microbeam Analysis Society (EMAS) together with the Rector of the Jagiellonian University, Polish Society for Microscopy, Polish Academy of Arts and Sciences, and Mineralogical Society of Poland.

The Workshop itself was organized by Mineralogical Society of Poland; Institute of Geological Sciences, Jagiellonian University, Kraków, Poland; Faculty of Geology, Geophysics and Environmental Protection, AGH-University of Science and Technology, Kraków, Poland; and Department of Geosciences, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA, USA. The Workshop gathered participants from Poland and abroad. Fifteen lectures presented by Igor Broska, Alain Cocherie, Peter S. Dahl, Daniel J. Dunkley, Marek Faryna, Friedrich Finger, Daniel E. Harlov, Callum J. Hetherington, Matthew S.A. Horstwood, Emilie Janots, Erwin Krenn, Janusz Lekki, Tamás Mikes, John F. Rakovan, Daniela Rubatto and Michael L. Williams covered various problems of microanalysis of accessory minerals, their dating, transformations and role in petrological and geological interpretations. Conference and Workshop abstracts were published as the volume No. 30 of the *Mineralogia Polonica – Special Papers*.

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