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She holds a MSc in Geography from the University of Warsaw where she specialized in relations between man and environment, obtaining the in-depth cross-cutting environmental and socio-economic knowledge. She is also licensed to teach geography. She completed the post-diploma studies in Geographic Information Systems at the Warsaw University of Technology.

She is a civil servant of the 5th degree. Since the beginning of her professional career, she has been working in the public administration. She worked at the Central Statistical Office, dealing among other issues with publications and cooperation with Eurostat, and at the Ministry of Regional Development. In 2007, she started working at the Chief Inspectorate for Environmental Protection (CIEP), Department of Environmental Monitoring, Assessment and Outlook, holding the post dedicated to cooperation with the European Environment Agency. She was, subsequently, the support for the EEA/EIONET National Focal Point (NFP), the NFP Alternate, and since 2014 she has been the EEA/EIONET National Focal Point for Poland, managing and carrying out the cooperation. She has also been responsible for tasks related to cooperation with other international organizations and networks, including representing Poland in the European Commission, OECD and UNECE working groups. She has been strongly involved in creating and sharing environmental knowledge within the NFP role as well as other duties, including being the author of countless inputs for the EEA and other organizations, numerous articles on the CIEP website, a few chapters of the latest Polish State of Environment Report 2022 which she also co-edited. She was tasked to create a new team within the structures of the Department of Environmental Monitoring in the CIEP and since 2023 she has been both the NFP as well as the Head of Integrated

Assessments and International Knowledge Sharing. During all these years she has gained solid knowledge about the EEA and EIONET, as well as extensive experience in management and international cooperation, obtaining various management, communication and diplomatic protocol certificates. Before being appointed for the EEA Management Board Member Alternate, she was already tasked with taking part in some MB meetings to support or replace the Polish MB Member.