

Professor Balcerowicz – doctor *honoris causa* of the University of Economics in Katowice

On Wednesday, 11 January 2006, Professor Leszek Balcerowicz will be awarded the doctorate *honoris causa* from the Karol Adamiecki University of Economics in Katowice. The Senate of the University has honoured Professor Balcerowicz in recognition of his outstanding merits and contribution to the development of economic and social life in the Republic of Poland. It will be the fifteenth doctorate *honoris causa* received by Professor Leszek Balcerowicz.

The University of Economics in Katowice has decided to honour Professor Leszek Balcerowicz for his contribution to the theory of economics and economic policy, especially in the area of the economics and policy of transformation as well as in the area of international comparative studies of economic systems. There were highlighted his outstanding merits in the system transformation in Poland – in developing a solid basis for market economy, in the monetary policy of the central bank, in the endeavour to establish sound public finance.

The ceremony of granting the doctorate *honoris causa* to Professor Leszek Balcerowicz will be held on Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. in the Grand Hall of the University of Economics in Katowice (ulica Bogucicka 3). At 11:40 a.m., Professor Leszek Balcerowicz will deliver a lecture entitled "The Conditions for Accelerating Economic Growth".

It will be the fifteenth doctorate *honoris causa* bestowed upon Professor Leszek Balcerowicz. To date he has been thus honoured, among others, by De Paul University of Chicago, University of Aix-en-Provence, University of Sussex, University of Szczecin, University of Toruń, Viadrina European University in Frankfurt, University of the Pacific in Lima, "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University in Iasi, Georg Mercator University in Duisburg.

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