ANNOUCEMENT No. 4/2026
Director of the Mineral and Energy Economy Research Institute
of the Polish Academy of Sciences in Krakow/Poland
dated 25/11/2026

The Director of the Mineral and Energy Economy Research Institute of the Polish Academy of Sciences in Krakow, announces an open competition for the position of research assistant (F/M) in the field of bioenergy and biotechnology in the DIVISION OF BIOENERGY CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY.

Candidates should meet the conditions set out in Article 89, paragraph 4. Act on the Polish Academy of Sciences of April 30, 2010, with subsequent changes.

Requirements:

- a master's degree in the discipline of environmental engineering, mining and energy, or in the discipline of chemical sciences,
- possessing a documented initial scientific achievement, consisting of at least one peer-reviewed scientific paper that has been published or accepted for publication, or an equivalent achievement relevant to the discipline—such as a patent or a patent application,
- possessing documented experience in conducting scientific research or research and development (R&D) work, evidenced by participation in at least one project, research task, or scientific research assignment, during which the candidate performed specific substantive tasks requiring independent work. The scope of participation and the tasks performed must be confirmed by an assessment or statement from a project manager, research task leader, or an independent researcher,
- demonstrating an aptitude for scientific research.

An additional advantage will be:

- doctoral student status in the field of Engineering and technology;
- professional experience in a recognized research institution, particularly in analytical and laboratory work;
- documented command of English at least at the B2 level, confirmed by an academically or internationally recognized certificate (e.g., ACERT);
- practical laboratory experience in the physicochemical characterization of fuels, biomass, and waste, including operating equipment for thermal analysis (TGA/DTG, DSC), elemental analysis (CHNS), X-ray fluorescence (XRF), calorimetry, specific surface area analysis (BET), and thermochemical conversion processes (torrefaction, pyrolysis, gasification);
- completion of certified training in the operation of specialized thermal analysis equipment and dedicated measurement and analytical software;
- active participation in national or international scientific conferences, confirmed by delivering presentations;
- a track record of scientific publications and conference presentations in the fields of bioenergy and the resilience of critical energy infrastructure systems;
- experience in preparing and submitting at least one research project funding application, particularly under national funding schemes (such as those offered by the National Science Centre, NCN) or international funding programmes, supported by the completion of a course or training programme in research funding acquisition.

When applying for the competition, the following documents must be submitted:

1. Application for employment addressed to the Director of the Institute with a signed information clause (Annex 1).
2. Curriculum Vitae (CV).
3. Document confirming professional title of Master of Sciencein Engineering in the discipline of environmental engineering, mining and energy, or in the discipline of chemical sciences
4. Certificate confirming proficiency in a foreign language specified in the requirements.
5. A recommendation letter from a researcher confirming the candidate's aptitude for scientific work.
6. A statement declaring that the Mineral and Energy Economy Research Institute will be the candidate's primary place of employment (if the competition is won).
7. A declaration of acceptance of the competition terms.
8. Publication achievements (papers, posters) in electronic format.
9. Certificate confirming doctoral student status, if applicable.
10. A certificate confirming the completion of a training course in the operation of thermal analysis research equipment; and a certificate confirming the completion of a training course in preparing and submitting research funding applications, accompanied by a scanned copy of the first page of a submitted funding application, if applicable.

Additional information and dates:

1. Part-time employment – **4/5 FTE**
2. Employment period: indefinite term starting **Błąd! Nie można odnaleźć źródła odwołania.**
3. Candidates are requested to submit their applications for the competition exclusively by e-mail to: centrum@min-pan.krakow.pl, with the annotation **Competition – Announcement No. 4/2026**
   Scans of the required documents must be attached to the application.
   In the event of winning the competition and taking up employment, the originals of the documents will be required.
4. The deadline for submitting documents is **Błąd! Nie można odnaleźć źródła odwołania.** at **12:00**.
5. The competition results will be announced on **17/12/2026**.
6. Information materials concerning the functioning and activities of the Mineral and Energy Economy Research Institute of the Polish Academy of Sciences are available on the website: https://min-pan.krakow.pl.
7. We inform that the Mineral and Energy Economy Research Institute of the Polish Academy of Sciences provides the possibility to report legal violations under the "Procedure for reporting violations of law and undertaking follow-up actions", in accordance with the Act of 14 June 2024 on the protection of whistleblowers. The full text of the procedure is available on the Institute's Public Information Bulletin (BIP) website.
8. The Mineral and Energy Economy Research Institute of the Polish Academy of Sciences reserves the right to close the competition without selecting a candidate.
9. Lack of notification shall be deemed as non-selection in the competition.

DYREKTOR INSTYTUTU
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Annex 1
to Annoucement No. **4/2026**

Information clause

In accordance with the Act of May 10, 2018, on the protection of personal data (Journal of Laws of 2018, item 1000) and in accordance with the Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council (EU) 2016/679 of 27 April 2016 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46 / EC (GDPR), we would like to inform you that:

1. The administrator of your data contained in the application documents is the Mineral and Energy Economy Research Institute, Polish Academy of Sciences in Krakow/Poland with its registered office at ul. J. Wybickiego 7A, 31-261 Krakow, https://min-pan.krakow.pl/instytut/.
2. The administrator has appointed a Personal Data Protection Inspector who can be contacted in all matters relating to the processing of personal data by the Institute and the exercise of rights related to data processing by e-mail at the following address: inspektorODO@min-pan.krakow.pl.
3. Your personal data will be processed only for the purpose of conducting this competition – the legal basis for the processing of your personal data is art. 6 sec. 1 letter c of the GDPR.
4. You have the right to access your personal data and the right to rectify it, the right to request deletion, processing restrictions, the right to transfer data, the right to object to the processing of data, the right to withdraw consent (if granted) at any time without giving any reason, without affecting the lawfulness of the processing that was carried out on the basis of consent before its withdrawal.
5. Providing your personal data is voluntary, but failure to do so makes it impossible for you to consider your application.
6. From the moment of obtaining your personal data will be processed for the period necessary to achieve the purpose indicated in point. 3, and thereafter for a specified period in the provisions of the Act of July 14, 1983, on the national archival resource and archives (Journal of Laws of 2019, item 553).
7. Your personal data will not be shared with other entities (administrators), except for entities authorized under the law. The administrator will not transfer your data outside the European Economic Area.
8. The data administrator does not profile you.
9. You have the right to file a complaint with the supervisory body – the President of the Personal Data Protection Office (Warsaw, ul. Stawki 2), if you feel that the processing of your personal data violates the provisions of the GDPR.

I confirm that I have read the above information regarding the processing of the personal data provided by the Administrator, and I declare that I consent to the processing of the personal data provided as a person authorized to give such consent.

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