



iProfesor – a platform bringing together men of science

iProfesor (<https://www.iprofesor.pl>) is a free social networking service for academics and researchers, which was launched in October 2010 under the patronage of The Ministry of Science and Higher Education. Today, it is the largest and fastest-growing Polish scientific community in the world. So far it has gathered more than 5 thousand active users representing all disciplines of science from all over the country.

Users may create a personal profile and take advantage of a set of functions that enable them to present their achievements, make new acquaintances, exchange messages, join common interest user groups, participate in discussions and add as well as download publications.

The platform meets the highest security standards due to the implemented high-tech solutions. After registration every user is carefully verified in a process designed to confirm his or her scientific identity. What is more, there is a possibility to define the privacy level of the created account.

iProfesor is not only a communication tool and a source of scientific information but also a forum for cooperation between researchers, higher education establishments and research institutes, business entities and local authorities. The joint efforts of the participants will help promote the commercialisation of knowledge and development of new technologies, which will be of benefit to all.

Although at present iProfesor is aimed at Polish researchers only, internationalisation of the platform is regarded as one of the priorities.

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This undertaking has a potential to revolutionize the way researchers work and communicate, not only in Poland but also all around the world.