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COP24 conference in Katowice ends

15 December was the last day of the 24th Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP24), which adopted the Katowice Climate Package.

The set of guidelines that implement the Paris Agreement is a 133-page document, which introduces the same rules for every country regarding the implementation of the Agreement and combatting climate change, and which also accounts for the development level and specific conditions of the respective countries.

The conference has succeeded in carrying out all the planned high-level events – the Talanoa Dialogue, the ministerial dialogue on climate finance and the dialogue on pre-2020 climate actions, as well as a number of events under the global climate action agenda.

The Leaders' Summit, which took place on 3 December 2018, was an important event during the COP24. It brought together delegations from all over the world and addressed a theme of solidarity and just transition proposed by the Polish President.

The only area where no measurable progress was made is the chapter dedicated to market mechanisms (Art. 6 of the Paris Agreement). Work on this matter will be continued during the next COP25 session in Chile next year.

Poland has made a lasting contribution to the Katowice conference through its initiative to adopt the following documents: Solidarity and Just Transition Silesia Declaration, “Forests for Climate” Declaration and Driving Change Together – Katowice Partnership for E-mobility.