

Declaration of the **GREEN INSTITUTE Program
at the Nencki Institute of Experimental Biology
of the Polish Academy of Sciences in Warsaw**

On June 1, 2011 a Program called **GREEN INSTITUTE will be launched at the Nencki Institute. It aims to minimize the environmental impact of the Nencki Institute.**

1. Organisational and functional changes will be introduced into routine activities at the Institute to minimise the environmental impact of the Nencki Institute.
2. The Nencki Institute will undertake actions aimed at saving the heating and electric energy, such as installing automatic light regulators and rationalising the setting of temperature sensors in the Institute buildings.
3. Energy efficiency will become an important criterion when making decisions for the purchase of scientific equipment and apparatus for the Institute.
4. The use of paper will be cut down by gradually introducing a system for electronic documentation workflow.
5. Standards for secondary resources recycling will be implemented in the form of active segregation of paper, glass, and plastic, among other.
6. Practical rules for efficient water use will be introduced into everyday functioning of the Institute.
7. Further actions will be undertaken to limit contamination of the environment with waste, especially by utilizing all waste from chemical labs: chemical materials, medical and veterinary materials, as well as spent electric and electronic materials.
8. Individual components of the Program will be implemented at the Institute during the next three years.
9. All Nencki employees are invited to join and support the **GREEN INSTITUTE** Program.

The Nencki Institute Board of Directors