REGULATIONS

OF THE VII INTERNATIONAL PADEREWSKI PIANO COMPETITION IN BYDGOSZCZ

I.

- 1. VII International Paderewski Piano Competition will be held in Bydgoszcz from November 4th to November 18th, 2007.
- 2. The Competition is organized to commemorate Ignacy Jan Paderewski, a remarkable pianist, virtuoso, composer, politician and statesman.
- 3. The competition is organized by:

The Music Association of I.J. Paderewski (the main organizer)

The I. J. Paderewski Pomeranian Philharmonic in Bydgoszcz

The F. Nowowiejski Academy of Music in Bydgoszcz

with co-participation of The Ministry of Culture & National Heritage

The Voivodeship Office of Bydgoszcz

The Bydgoszcz City Hall

4. The Competition auditions will be open to the public and will take place in the concert halls

of the Academy of Music and the Pomeranian Philharmonic in Bydgoszcz.

II.

The Competition is open to pianists of all nationalities,

born after November 1st, 1980 and before November 1st, 1991.

- 1. THE APPLICATION should contain the following documents:
 - a) the application form and a precise description of the competitive repertoire with the duration time of every work, written in block letters
 - b) 3 recent black and white photographs (the quality suitable for the reproduction) with the full name of the candidate on the back
 - c) the photocopy of the identity card, passport or any other document confirming the applicants date of birth
 - d) a short artistic resume with the previous concert experiences, the participation in other competitions with the photocopy of the prizes won diplomas
 - e) a reference letter written by a well-known musician or the applicants' recent professor referring directly to the applicants' repertoire performed during the competition.
 - f) the application, which will not contain all the required documents will not be considered
 - g) no documents will be returned
- 2. All documents of application should be sent by March 31st, 2007 to the following address:

TOWARZYSTWO MUZYCZNE IM. I. J. PADEREWSKIEGO, BIURO MIEDZYNARODOWEGO KONKURSU PIANISTYCZNEGO

(The Musical Association, The Office of the International Paderewski Piano Competition) 85-018 Bydgoszcz, ul. Ks. Piotra Skargi 7, Poland.

- The Competition commission will consider all applications. Applicants will be informed about the acceptance of the application or about the invitation to the Preliminary Auditions by April 15th, 2007.
- 5. The Secretary of the Competition reserves the right to accept or reject any application.

THE PRELIMINARY AUDITIONS to the VII International Paderewski Piano Competition

in Bydgoszcz will take place in April and May 2007 in the following cities:

a) PARIS 24th and 25th April 2007

Yamaha Piano Artist Services Europe

5 rue Scribe

75009 Paris, France

b) HANNOVER 27th and 28th April 2007

Hochschule für Musik und Theater Hannover

Emmichplatz 1

30175 Hannover

c) SHENZHEN 28th and 29th April 2007

Shenzhen Arts School

No. 16 Baihua 2nd Road

Futian District

Shenzhen 518028, P.R. China

d) YOKOHAMA 1st and 3rd May 2007

Minato Mirai Hall (only for the Japan pianist)

2-3-6 Minato Mirai

Nishi-ku,

Yokohama

Japan 220-0012

e) SEOUL 5th and 6th May, 2007

Korean National University of Arts

San 1-5

Seokgwan-dong

Seongbuk-gu

Seoul 136-716

Korea

f) NEW YORK 14th and 15th May 2007

Yamaha Artist Services, Inc.

689 Fifth Avenue, 3rd Floor

New York, NY 10022

g) PETERSBURG 28th and 29th May 2007

House of Music

Moika 122

St-Petersburg, Russia

h) WARSAW 28th and 29th May 2007

F. Chopin Music Academy in Warsaw

ul. Okólnik 2

00-368 Warszawa, Poland

V.

PRELIMINARY AUDITIONS REPERTOIRE (maximum - 30 minutes)

- 1. Preliminary auditions participants should perform:
 - * 2 virtuoso etudes (one of them must be by F. Chopin)
 - * the first or more movements of a classical sonata
 (however always together with the first movement)
 - * one or two works of participant choice, in different styles but no classical style.
- Only in particularly important cases a pianist who cannot take part in the Preliminary Auditions should send the recording of the Preliminary Auditions repertoire on the VHS (PAL or NTSC) or DVD together with all the application documents by May 31st, 2007 to the Music Association address.

NOTICE:

- a) recordings must be made with one fixed camera focusing on the pianist's right profile and hands
- b) for the sound quality improvements we suggest to use the external microphones
- c) any editing of recordings is prohibited.
- d) recordings must be signed by the applicant and its authenticity must be confirmed by the applicant's recent professor or other known musician.
- f) the confirmation should also contain a telephone number if need be a direct contact

VI.

- 1. The applicant will be informed about the Preliminary Auditions results by July 15th 2007.
- 2. No more than 44 pianists will be admitted to the Competition.
- 3. The pianist invited to take part in the Competition should send the entrance fee of € 100,- to the Musical Association account number by August 15th 2007:

Towarzystwo Muzyczne im. Paderewskiego w Bydgoszczy

PeKaO S.A. II Oddział w Bydgoszczy

SWIFT: PKOP PL PW

account number: IBAN BANK PL 74 1240 3493 1111 0000 4305 8930

- 4) The entrance fee paid by the invited pianists is non -refundable
- 5) The contestants are responsible for acquiring his or her visa into Poland. Please contact the office if written guarantor is necessary.

VII.

For any Competition and prize-winners concert performances held by the Organizer, the Organizer reserves the right to:

- a) broadcast by radio, TV or internet
- b) record as the Chronicle of the Competition and then broadcast on TV or radio
- c) photograph for the requirements of the Competition and the press.

VIII.

- 1. The Organizer of the Competition will cover the accommodation costs in Bydgoszcz for all participants of the Competition from November 3rd, 2007 (the day before the beginning of the competition) to the end of the I stage.
- For the competitors qualified for the II stage the accommodation costs will be covered to November 12th, 2007
- 3. For the competitors qualified for the Semi-final Stage the accommodation costs will be covered by the Organizer until the end of the Competition.
- 4. Travel costs to and from Bydgoszcz will be covered by the competitors.
- 5. The organizers will provide the competitors with the possibility of practicing.

IX.

- 1. The competitors are obliged to register at the Secretary's Office of the Competition no later than on November 3rd, 2007.
- 2. The order of appearance of pianists in the Competition will be determined by a drawing which will take place on November 4th, 2007 at 3pm.
 Presence of all participants is obligatory.
- 3. The Competition will follow this order except, at the discretion of the chairman of the jury, for reasons of accident, illness or other unusual circumstances.

X.

- 1. The Competitions consists of the I and II Stages, the Semi-final and the Final Stage.
- 2. No more than 24 competitors will be admitted to the II stage
- 3. No more than 12 competitors will be admitted to the Semi-final Stage, and no more than 6 pianists will be admitted to the Final Stage.

XI.

- All works must be performed by memory and no piece may be performed more then once.
 The repertoire must have been written for solo piano and no alteration to the piano may take place. Only complete works will be accepted.
- 2. The participants must introduce the scores of the works, which they want to perform during the competition at the Secretary of the Competition.
- 3. The changes of the repertoire are acceptable only when a participant informs in writing the Secretary of the Competition by September 15th, 2007.
- 4. The participants must respect time limits in all solo stages.

The Jury has the right to interrupt the performance if time limits are not respected.

XII.

THE REPERTOIRE OF THE INTERNATIONAL PADEREWSKI PIANO COMPETITION

- 1. The International Paderewski Piano Competition permits the participants to perform the repertoire of their own choice. In this way the Organizer wants to give the participants the possibility to present their artistic personality, imagination and individuality.
- 2. The free choice of the repertoire is limited in one case. The selected repertoire must contain the works representing at least three different musical styles.
- 3. The Jury will consider an understanding of programme building, an ability to play in variety of musical styles and most importantly the depth of the participants musicianship, rather than mere technical brilliance.
- 4. The Organizer of the Competition expects to award the Special Prizes for the best performance of I. J. Paderewski's works.

XIII.

I STAGE REPERTOIRE - 25-30 minutes

1. All participants of the I stage are obligated to perform two or more works by

I.J.Paderewski. The performance time of these works should not exceed 10 minutes. All participants must chose works from group A and B - minimum one from each group.

A/ from the series Polish Dances op. 9:

No. 3 Mazurka in A major

No. 4 Mazurka in B major

from the series Album de Mai op.10:

No. 1 Au Soir

No. 2 Chant d'amour

from the series Miscellanea op.16:

No. 1 Legend

No. 2 Melody

No. 3 Thėme variė A-dur

No. 4 Nocturne

No. 6 Un moment Musical

B/ from the series Polish Dances op. 9:

No. 9 Polonaise in H major

from the series Album de Mai op. 10:

No. 3 Scherzino

No. 5 Caprice Valse

from the series Humoresques de Concert op. 14:

No. 1 Menuet

No. 3 Caprice /genre Scarlatti/

No. 4 Burlesque

No. 5 Intermezzo polacco

No. 6 Cracovienne fantastique

2. The choice of the remaining works of the I Stage repertoire is up to the performer.

II STAGE - free choice repertoire, 40 - 45 minutes.

FINAL

The participants of the Final stage will perform one of the following piano Concertos with the I. J. Paderewski Pomeranian Philharmonic Orchestra:

I.J. Paderewski - Concerto in A minor op. 17

- Polish Fantasy op. 19

W.A. Mozart - Concerto No. 20 in D minor, KV 466

- Concerto No. 24 in C minor, KV 491

L.van Beethoven - Concerto No. 3 in C minor op. 27

- Concerto No. 4 in C major op. 58

- Concerto No. 5 in E flat major op. 73

F. Chopin - Concerto No. 1 in E minor op. 11

- Concerto No. 2 in F minor op. 21

R. Schumann - Concerto in A minor op. 54

J. Brahms - Concerto No. 1 in D minor op. 15

- Concerto No. 2 in B major op. 83

C. Saint-Saëns - Concerto No. 2 in C minor op. 22

P. Tchaikovsky - Concerto No. 1 in B-flat minor op. 23

S. Rachmaninow - Concerto No. 2 in C minor op.18

- Concerto No. 3 in D minor op. 30

- Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini op. 43

B. Bartok - Concerto No. 2

S. Prokofiew - Concerto No. 2 in G minor op. 16

- Concerto No. 3 in C major op. 26

XIV.

1. The Jury of the Competition will consist of the eminent Polish and foreign musicians.

2. The Chairman and the Members of the Jury are appointed by the Organizer of the Competition.

3.

The Jury will judge all performances of the Competition on the basis of the Jury Regulations laid down separately.

XV.

THE PRIZES:

I prize	€ 20,000
II prize	€ 12,000
III prize	€ 8,000
IV prize	€ 5,000
V prize	€ 4,000
VI prize	€ 3,000

The Finalists will also be awarded the title of the Laureate of the International Paderewski Piano Competition in Bydgoszcz.

THE SPECIAL PRIZES:

- a) $\,\in\,500\,$ for the best performance of the two obligatory I. J. Paderewski's works performed in the I stage.
- b) € 1,500 for the best performance of I.J. Paderewski's Sonata in E flat minor op. 21 or Variations and Fugue in E flat minor op. 23 in any of the solo stages
- c) € 2,000 for the best performance of the piano concertos: I. J. Paderewski's
 Concerto in A minor op. 17 or Polish Fantasy op. 19 in the Final Stage
- d) € 1,000 for the best Semi-final recital
- e) € 1,000 for the best Polish participant classified to the Semi-final or Final

XVI.

The pianists classified to the Semi-final will receive Diplomas.

XVII.

- The Jury has the right to change the structure and number of prizes provided that
 the total sum defined is not changed, and the particular prizes and awards are not
 lower than defined in the Regulations.
- 2. The Jury reserves the right not to give the special awards or to decide about another awards division.
- 3. The decisions of the Jury are final.

XVIII.

- The Presentation of the Awards will take place on November 18th, 2007 followed by the Prize Winners Gala Concert.
- 2. All Laureates are obliged to take part in the prize-winners concert without any financial gratification.
- **3**. The laureates are obliged to perform the programme according to the agreements with the Jury.

XIX.

The Competition Office should be notified of all financial and material awards funded by persons or institutions by September 15th, 2007. These awards will have the nature of non-regulation awards and will be given during the prize-winners concert. Financial prizes will be paid in deposited currency.

XX.

In case of any disputes the only reliable source is the Polish version of the Regulations.

THE VII INTERNATIONAL

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IN BYDGOSZCZ, NOVEMBER $4^{th} - 18^{th}$ 2007

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June 15th, 2006	the announcement of the Competition Regulation
March 31st, 2007	the final deadline of sending the written applications
by April 15th, 2007	the candidates are informed about the acceptance of their application or about the invitation to take part in the Preliminary Audition
April and May, 2007	the Preliminary auditions
May 31st, 2007	the deadline of sending the recordings of the repertoire on the VHS (PAL or NTSC) or DVD (accepted only in particularly important cases: see V # 2)
July 15th, 2007	the announcement of the final list of the candidates invited to take part in the Competition
August 15th, 2007	the deadline for the invited pianists to send the entrance fee to the Music Association account number
September 15th, 2007	after this day, any changes of the repertoire will not be accepted

====== COMPETITION - SCHEDULE OF EVENTS ========

November 3rd, 2007 the Competition participants arrival to Bydgoszcz the Orientation Meeting and the performances order drawing November 4th, 2007 the Inaugural Concert November 5th, 2007 the beginning of the I stage auditions November 8th, 2007 the announcement of the I stage results November 9th, 2007 the beginning of the II stage auditions November 11th, 2007 the announcement of the II stage results day off November 12th, 200 November 13th, 2007 the beginning of the Semi-final auditions November 14th, 2007 the announcement of the Semi-final results November 15th, 2007 day off November 16th-17th, 2007 the Final of the Competition the announcement of the Prize winners November 18th, 2007 the Closing Ceremony Presentation of the Awards and the Prize Winners Concert