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EDITORIAL REMARK

This volume of the *Przegląd Socjologiczny* builds on the Final Activity Report delivered by the PROFIT project consortium to the European Commission. Articles presented below are based on the results produced by an international research team involved in conducting the project called PROFIT (*Policy Responses Overcoming Factors in the Intergenerational Transmission of Inequalities*) financed by the European Commission within the 6th Framework Programme (CIT2-CT-2004-506245).

Realization of the project was a common endeavor of researchers from universities and research centres in eight European countries: Bulgaria, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Italy, Lithuania, Poland and the United Kingdom. Institute of Sociology of the University of Łódź served as the project coordinating institution. The project was policy oriented and its aim was producing knowledge to support policy-makers and policy-executives in their obligation to reach Lisbon strategy objectives focused on alleviating of poverty and social exclusion and, thus, counteracting inequality/poverty inheritance.

Particular parts and paragraphs of the Volume are composed in a way enabling a Reader to be acquainted with theoretical foundation, objectives, methodology and results of the project. Main findings are presented in both comparative and national perspectives. While paragraphs providing comparisons have been written mainly by scholars working for the University of Łódź, serving as the project coordinating institutions, summaries of research results obtained in particular countries were elaborated by national research teams.

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