1.1. SOURCE AND SCOPE OF DATA

TOURIST ACCOMMODATION FACILITIES

Information regarding state and occupation of tourist accommodation facilities comes from regular statistical surveys conducted by the Central Statistical Office on forms "Report on occupation of a tourist accommodation facility" marked by symbols KT-1 (monthly report, excluding July) and KT-1a (report for July).

MUSEUMS

Information regarding museums comes from regular, annual survey conducted by the Central Statistical Office on a form K-02 ("Report on the activity of museum and paramuseum institution").

NON-STATISTICAL SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Data regarding the border traffic are compiled on the basis of a registration kept by the Border Guard. It is a continual record of persons and means of transport checked-in on all border crossings. Statistical data are compiled in monthly periods for each border check-point by name.

Statistics of border crossings cover a period from 1 January till 20 December 2007; in connection with accession of Poland to the Schengen zone, border controls on the internal borders of the European Union have been liquidated (of which on the border of the Małopolskie voivodship and Slovakia) — since 21 December 2007 border traffic has not been surveyed.

Statistics of border crossings at the airport in Balice cover a period of the whole year.

Data on tourism in national parks were compiled on the basis of information of the Ministry of Environment.

We used information provided directly by institutions such as:

- the Polish Tourist Country-Lovers' Society,
- the Volunteer Mountain Rescue Service,
- the Volunteer Tatra-Mountain Rescue Service,
- the Volunteer Water Rescue Service,
- the Polish Association of Pieniny Rafts-men on the Dunajec river in Sromowce Niżne,
- P.P.H.U "Centrum" Ltd. in Nowy Sącz,
- "Eurogiełda Czchów-Jurków" Ltd.

Moreover, we used publications, websites as well as legal regulations on: Pieniny National Park as well as rafting along "Pieniny Ravine" — described in detail in footnotes.