

## Izba Bawełny w Gdyni

## **Gdynia Cotton Association**

1935 - 2025

## Dear Sir or Madam,

The year 2025 brings a very important event in the life of the Gdynia Cotton Association as it marks 90 years since 26 March 1935, when the founding meeting of the new organization launched the activities of the Gdynia Cotton Association.

The Gdynia Cotton Association is one of the oldest professional self-governing organizations in Poland. Its history is closely connected to the development of the domestic textile industry in the interwar years, but also to the thriving commercial port in Gdynia, built to support the reviving economy of the Republic of Poland in 1920s and 1930s.

Over 90 years of its activity, the Gdynia Cotton Association has achieved a high position in the global cotton trade system, as

- one of the best training centers for cotton classers,
- the institution promoting principles of the sanctity of contracts and good trading practices in the trade of raw cotton, yarns, fabrics and knits,
- the organization promoting the advantages of cotton as an a friendly, environmentally safe and renewable natural raw material.

The great importance for consolidation of this position was the establishment in 1938 – just three years after the founding of the Association - the first Polish Court of Arbitration, protecting the interests of its members in the international and domestic cotton trade.

On the occasion of the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Gdynia Cotton Association - on behalf of the Board of Directors of our Association, I would like to extend to all our Members and Supporters my best wishes of prosperity and success of our joint activities in the coming years. I also invite you to participate in the festive celebrations, which we have planned for 5 June 2025, in Gdynia.

Yours sincerely,



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