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Prof., Małgorzata GRODZIŃSKA-JURCZAK is a researcher, an academic lecturer and a consultant. Since her *Post-doc* (1994) she has focused on environmental education followed by her *habilitation* (2005) and *professorship* (2014) research interests: social aspects of nature conservation (human dimension of natural resources, human-nature conflicts management, e.g. around Natura 2000, public participation in decision making on environmental issues). She widely publishes in Polish and internationally recognized journals, speaks at conferences and because of an applicable character of her study, tries to transfer its achievements into practice.

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