## <u>Press release: Foreign Office Minister</u> visits Poland

FCO Minister of State for Asia and the Pacific Mark Field visited Poland on 24-25 January to follow up on the 3rd annual UK-Poland Inter-Governmental Consultations, held in London in December.

The visit also follows the recent COP24 climate conference in Katowice last month, which Minister Field attended, and allowed for an exchange of views on key issues across the Asia-Pacific region, as well as further strengthening of relations between the UK and Poland.

While in Poland Minister Field met key Polish figures including Deputy Foreign Minister Maciej Lang, Deputy Minister for the Environment Slawomir Mazurek and Minister for Strategic Energy Infrastructure Piotr Naimski.

Minister for Asia and the Pacific Mark Field said:

It is evident that relations between the United Kingdom and Poland are as strong as ever, with a huge amount of bilateral work taking place between our two countries. We continued discussions on important joint initiatives such as our clean growth partnership, much of which resulted from the hugely productive Inter-Governmental Consultations, which the Prime Minister hosted in London in December.

Ours is a very fruitful partnership, and that is why it is important for me to be back in Poland so soon after my last visit in December for COP24 in Katowice. The UK and Poland have a long shared history and we continue to work closely together on some of the most pressing issues facing our two countries, including through NATO and the UN Security Council.

The Minister also met representatives of UK and Polish businesses working in green technology and energy.

## Further information