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**Neue Regelungen über den Grundstücksverkehr in Polen –
Rückkehr
in die Vergangenheit?**

**NEW REGULATIONS
OF THE TRANSACTIONS IN AGRICULTURAL PROPERTY IN POLAND
– A RETURN TO THE PAST?**

Summary

The deliberations presented in this paper lead to an answer to the question of how the regulations included in the Act on the Shaping of the Agricultural System and in the Act on Forests, both amended on 30 April of 2016, correlate with the regulations of the transactions in agricultural property applicable in Poland before 1990. In this context, a few crucial notions been scrutinised in detail such as: ‘an agricultural property’, ‘the purchase of an agricultural property’ or ‘an individual farmer’. The paper refers also to the pre-emption rights and the purchase rights due to the Agricultural Property Agency operating on behalf of the State of Treasury. Indispensable as they were, the paper also explained new regulations referring to the transactions of the sale of forest land and the amendments to the regulations of the sale of state agricultural property.

As a final statement, the author claims that in 2016 the Polish legislator returned to the controlled system of transactions in agricultural and forest property which existed before the systemic transformation of 1989, and has merely modernised it and updated to the current demands.