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The Luxembourg-Poland Business Club hosted the first edition of its Summer Business Ball with a line-up of entertainment that saw politicians and the business community let loose on the dance floor.

Artur Sosna, LPBC president, opened the evening by introducing the event sponsors and the team behind the organisation of the gala, which was announced late last year. "We decided back then to be even more international than we are now and invited Paul Schonenberg, chairman of the American Chamber of Commerce, to join us."

Schonenberg then said: "Luxembourg is a little like a *Harry Potter* movie; you have the muggles and the wizards. Ladies and gentlemen, we are the wizards and we help to make Luxembourg the best place in Europe to set up in business and have economic success."

Sosna took great pleasure in announcing the "Business Ambassador of the Year" award, which went to Poland's ambassador to Luxembourg, Bartosz Jałowiecki, for his continued support over the last three and a half years of the club's existence. "I really wasn't expecting this; if I was, my wife would be here," joked Jałowiecki. The ambassador noted that the ball was taking place on the 27th anniversary of the first free elections in Poland under Communist rule.

Jasiek Mela, president of the charity Poza Horyzonty (Beyond the Horizons), explained how he had overcome seemingly insurmountable obstacles, including the loss of two limbs, to rack up a phenomenal list of achievements.

More than 180 people attended the ball, which took place under the patronage of the deputy prime minister and minister of the economy Étienne Schneider, the Polish embassy in Luxembourg and the Luxembourg embassy in Poland. <



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SUMMER GALA
A. Ania and Christian Muller, Bartosz Jałowiecki, the Polish ambassador to Luxembourg, and Agnieszka Tymofiejewicz, attending the Summer Business Ball, organised by the Luxembourg-Poland Business Club (www.lpbc.lu) and partner associations, and held at the Cercle Cité in June
B. Nathalie Reuter, the RTL presenter and journalist, served as master of ceremonies
C. Georges Faber, Luxembourg ambassador to Poland
D. Artur Sosna, president of the LPBC
E. Arkadiusz Hojny, Jochen Richter, Iwona Komor and Paulina Hojny
F. Jasiek Mela and Agnieszka Dziekan of Poza Horyzonty, a charity supported by the ball
G. Paul Schonenberg, Mathilde Hildenfeldt and Bakhtiyar Mammadov