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### Call for Papers

This is the call for papers for BachoTeX 2008, the XVI Polish TeX Users Group Conference April 30–May 4, 2008, Bachotek (Brodnica Lake District), Poland. The conference title is

### “T<sub>E</sub>X contra T<sub>E</sub>X”

We now have several T<sub>E</sub>X engines, from frozen and even obsolete through those being in use and actively maintained up to ones to be yet released. To mention some: Aleph, e-T<sub>E</sub>X, ExT<sub>E</sub>X, LuaT<sub>E</sub>X, Omega, pdfT<sub>E</sub>X, X<sub>Y</sub>T<sub>E</sub>X and – of course – T<sub>E</sub>X itself. Add to this a number of macro packages, again actively developed or frozen and unmaintained:  $\mathcal{A}\mathcal{M}\mathcal{S}$ -T<sub>E</sub>X, ConT<sub>E</sub>Xt, LAMS-T<sub>E</sub>X, Lambda, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X and of course plain T<sub>E</sub>X, either or not suitable to be used with those engines. All were developed with different aims and under different conditions and therefore have various strengths and weaknesses. Some are still being developed.

The knowledge about these developments is not widespread. We want to compare and contrast them for the benefit of all, thus the word “contra” in the title should not be taken literally – it is not to be a fight but a confrontation with differences, merits and faults carefully scrutinized. The central day of the conference will be devoted to this theme. We especially invite authors, developers and experts of these engines. And what about companion programs like METAFONT and METAPOST? Is METAFONT still used? What is happening with METAPOST? Come and let us know!

The full text of the announcement is available at  
<http://www.gust.org.pl/BachoTeX/2008>