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Zbigniew Pelczynski OBE, notable political philosopher and Hegel scholar is a founding member of the Hegel Society and of the *Hegel Bulletin*. Born in Poland in

1925, he fought in the Warsaw Uprising and was captured by the Germans. After the war he studied Politics and became a Fellow of Pembroke College, Oxford, where his students included Bill Clinton. Pelczynski also taught at Harvard, Yale and McGill. His scheme to enable Polish scholars to study in Oxford evolved into a programme of scholarships for other Soviet bloc countries. The School for Leaders he founded in Warsaw plays an important role in Polish politics and society.