TRAVEL possibilities for participants of CBSE 2019 in Gdańsk

Gdańsk is a Polish city on the Baltic coast. It is the capital of the Pomeranian Voivodeship and the capital of Kashubia, Poland's principal seaport and the centre of the country's fourth-largest metropolitan area. The city lies on the southern edge of Gdańsk Bay (of the Baltic Sea), in a conurbation with the city of Gdynia, spa town of Sopot, and suburban communities, which together form a metropolitan area called the Tricity (*Trójmiasto*), with a population approaching 1.4 million, making it the largest city in the Pomerania region of northern Poland.

Tricity is very well communicated with other Polish and European cities being the most important transport hub of northern Poland.

AIRPORT

Gdańsk Lech Wałęsa Airport is the 3rd largest airport in Poland in terms of passenger traffic (4.6 million passangers in 2017). It is located 12km from the city center of Gdańsk.

How to get Gdańsk city center from the Airport?

RAIL

Pomorska Kolej Metropolitalna (PKM, *Pomeranian Metropolitan Railway*) connects Gdańsk Lech Wałęsa Airport with Gdańsk Wrzeszcz Railway Station. It connects to the Szybka Kolej Miejska (SKM, *Fast Urban Railway*) which provides further connections to the Gdańsk Main Railway Station by frequent trains. For more information about schedule please <u>click here.</u> When selecting direction please mark - From: Gdańsk Port Lotniczy to: Gdańsk Główny.

Tickets for the train to and from Gdańsk Lech Wałęsa Airport can be purchased in ticket machines located at stations throughout the city. Tickets are also sold in the trains by the conductors and they should be in this case purchased immediately after getting on the train. Regular tickets to and from Gdańsk (City ticket) cost 3,80 PLN one way.

BUS

The following city bus lines connect the airport: to Gdańsk city centre - Route 210 via Gdańsk-Morena, Gdańsk Main Railway Station, old city; to Gdańsk Wrzeszcz Railway Station - Route 110; night bus - Route N3 to Gdańsk Wrzeszcz Railway Station and Gdańsk Main Railway Station. For more information about schedule please <u>click here</u>. Regular tickets for one single journey cost 3,20 PLN (day) and 4,20 PLN (night).

For a **combined system of travel information** check <u>https://jakdojade.pl/trojmiasto/trasa/</u>. It will show options for travel by any means of public transport in the city. The homepage is available both in Polish and English (there is a smartphone app, too). It is quite efficient and reliable, and the public transport rather inexpensive, so wherever you stay, you will find your way.

TAXI

There are many taxi companies to choose from in Gdańsk. Approved taxis with metered fares always bear number plates. Credit cards are readily accepted. Taxi prices are not regulated in Poland; they may vary greatly. It is the customer's responsibility to check prices beforehand. Check the price on the label, which is usually on the rear door window, before entering the vehicle. The price indicated on the taximeter is in PLN. For trips to and from Gdańsk Lech Wałęsa Airport the major taxi companies have fixed prices of between 80-120 PLN. Always ask the driver beforehand.

Recommended taxi companies: <u>Neptun Taxi</u> <u>Halo Taxi</u>