



RoBy staff training in Kraków InfoPack

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From the airport to the city centre

There are three ways of reaching the city centre from the airport (it's 17 km from the city).

1. <u>Taxi.</u> We recommend only the airport taxi (the taxis from the city are horribly expensive). When you go out the airport, go left and there will be a taxi parking. You will pay **90 zł**.

https://www.krakowairport.pl/pl/pasazer/transport/dojazd/z-do-krakow-airport/krakow-airport-taxi

- 2. You can always take Bolt or Uber prices from 50 zł.
- 3. There is also a <u>train</u>. You can reach the main station (**Kraków Główny**) in Kraków city centre which is very close to the hotels on our list.

The cost: 12 zł

Where to buy the tickets?

- ticket machine in passenger terminal, level 0 (cash payment or payment with credit/debit card)
- ticket machine at train station (cash payment or payment with credit/debit card)
- train conductor on board (cash payment only).

The schedule:

https://malopolskiekoleje.pl/images/rozklady-jazdy/2021-12-12/SKA 1-ZRJ12XII2021-12III2022.pdf

4. Public transport

Krakow Airport is served by three regular bus lines: 208 and 209 and 252 and one night line: 902.

You must know where you want to go, then see what line choose (probably you will have to do min. one change to get to your hotel). This App can be helpful (you write the start point and the destination point - street/hotel/bus stop - and the application shows you the possible connections): https://jakdojade.pl/krakow/trasa/ (for English language - click the cog in the upper right corner).

The schedule:

http://rozklady.mpk.krakow.pl/?akcja=index&rozklad=20211213&lang=EN

Ticketes:

4 zł/ 20 min (multiple buses and trams)

6 zł/ 60 min (multiple buses and trams)

8 zł/ 90 min (multiple buses and trams)

Tickets can be purchased from:

- the ticket machine at the passenger terminal, arrivals hall, level 0
- the ticket machine at the bus stop (payment in cash or with credit/debit card)
- the authorized ticket machines found on 252 and 208 line buses (payment by the credit/debit card)

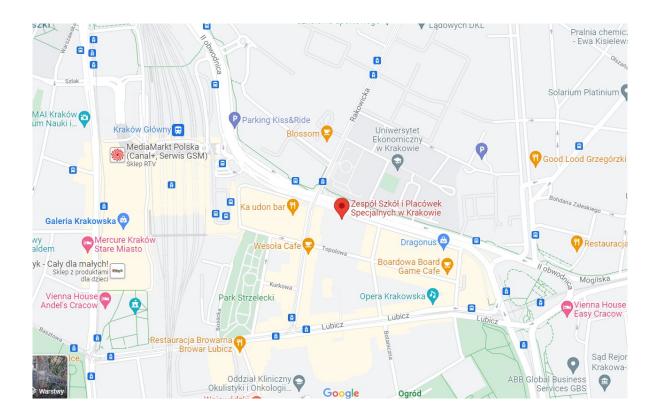
Note: The ticket must be validated when getting on the bus.

Training location

Our training will take place in **Zespół Szkół i Placówek Specjalnych, ul. Lubomirskiego 21**, very close from the train station (<u>Kraków Główny</u>).

On the map:

https://goo.gl/maps/VAXwd2rnTv95ss1B8



There will be lunch at school everyday. And coffee break, of course $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{G}}$

Hotels in the city centre

There are a lot of hotels in the centre. We prepared a list of the hotels close to the school where the training will take place.

Matejko Hotel

Plac Matejki 8 (15 min. on foot to the school, 5 min. to the main square) http://www.matejkohotel.pl/

Vienna House Easy Cracow

ul. Przy Rondzie 2 (10 min. to the school, 20 min. to the main square) https://www.viennahouse.com/en/easy-cracow/the-hotel/overview.html

Apart Hotel Rakowicka Residence

ul. Rakowicka 6 (5 min. to the school, 15 min. to the main square) https://www.rakowickaresidence.pl/#aboutus (I am not sure if they have breakfast)

Hotel Alexander II

ul. Ludwika Zamenhofa 14 (15 min. to the school, 5 min. to the main square)

https://www.alexhotel.pl/

Vienna House Andel's Cracow

ul. Pawia 3 (10 min to school, 5 to the main square) https://www.viennahouse.com/en/andels-cracow/the-hotel/overview.html

Currency, weather, covid

Currency

The currency in Poland is ZŁOTY (PLN). In most places you can pay by card. There are also a lot of currency exchanges in the old city where you can easily exchange Euros for Złote.

If you want to use exchange office, ALWAYS check the rate "We buy" – not "We sell". Pay attention on that point. The rate should be between 4,5-4,6 PLN/EUR.

Weather

Don't hope for a warm weather. IT WILL BE COLD. January and February in Poland are the coldest months. It may be rain or snow, or both;) Of course, it may be also sunny but then it will be probably very cold because the clouds will not stop the heat.

CONCLUSION: be ready for the cold days, take long coats, sweaters, warm socks, etc.

But winter in Poland is very beautiful. This is the view from my flat:



And the main square:



Covid

To enter the country you must have the **vaccination certificate** or a **test**. You should also fill in a PLF: https://aplikacje.gov.pl/app/klp/#/home

You should wear a mask inside the buildings/trains/buses and in crowded areas.

What to see?

Kraków is a historical city and has a lot of historic places to see.

Our **main square** is one of the biggest in Europe ($200 \times 200 \text{ m}$). In the middle of the main square you can see Sukiennice (the Cloth Hall), where you can buy souvenirs. Upstairs you can visit the artb gallery with the great collection of very important Polish paintings – it's beautiful!

It is worth visiting **Kościół Mariacki** (St. Mary's Church) – there are a lot of sculptures and polychromes made by famous artists. The first church in this place was built in 1222 what was before the location of the city Kraków and this is why the church is situated obliquely to the main square.

Don't forget to visit **Wawel Castle**! From the main square you can reach it walking Grodzka Street – the street was called "king's road" for centuries because it connects the castle with the St. Mary's Church. You can visit the castle inside or just have a walk outside, see the courtyard (beautiful cloisters) and look at Wisła (Vistula River) from upstairs. You can also go inside the **cathedral** next to the castle (it has the golden dome so it is easy to find it). There are the tombs of kings and famous Polish people. And the cathedral itself is just beautiful! Wawel Castle with the cathedral have been one of the most important places for Polish people for ages.

Restaurants? They are everywhere! On the main square and the streets leading from it you can find anything you want.