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## Practical Information

### From Gdansk Airport to Gdynia

The nearest airport is Gdansk Lech Walesa Airport:  
<http://www.airport.gdansk.pl/>.

The easiest way to get to Gdynia is by taxi. (NEPTUN TAXI has prepared preferential rates for ISOCARP Congress Participants. Password: ISOCARP). It costs about PLN 100-150.

Bus 4A ([http://www2.zkmgdynia.pl/index\\_rozkłady.php?linia=4A](http://www2.zkmgdynia.pl/index_rozkłady.php?linia=4A)) shuttles to Gdynia almost every two hours.

### Public transportation

To conveniently travel between those 3 cities one should take the Rapid Urban Railway SKM. Trains run more or less every 10-15 minutes between 5 am and 7 pm through the Tri-City and less frequently outside these hours. <https://www.skm.pkp.pl/>.

Trolleybuses and regular buses (ZKM) are the most popular means of transport in Gdynia.

Tickets can be bought from the driver in each bus and trolleybus.

Ticket prices and timetables can be found here: <http://www.zkmgdynia.pl>.

The Main Railway Station in Gdynia, with national and international connections, is located in the city centre.

### Language

The Polish language is a part of the western branch of Slavic languages and is spoken by about 50 million people.

### Useful expressions

#### Time in Poland

GMT+1 in the winter, and GMT+2 in the summer

#### Climate

The temperature and precipitation in the North of Poland are very often affected by the maritime climate and wind blowing in from the Baltic Sea. Average temperature in September in Tri-City is about 14°C (57°F).

#### Currency

The Polish currency is the zloty (PLN) divided into 100 groszy. Coins in circulation: 1, 2, 5 zloty and 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50 groszy. Banknotes: 10, 20, 50, 100, 200 zloty.

Foreign currency can be exchanged at exchange offices. Credit cards are widely accepted.

PLN 100 = approx. EUR 24.

#### Shopping

In Poland most of shopping centres and malls are open from early morning to late evening seven days a week: Mon.-Sat. 9 am – 9 pm, Sun. 10 am – 8 pm. In Gdynia one can visit several shopping centers.

#### Wi-Fi

Most hotels, cafes, restaurants, shopping malls, Gdynia Glowna Railway Station as well as parks and walking paths in the city centre provide free Wireless Internet access.

**SIM Cards**

These can be purchased at any newsagents, supermarkets and phone stores. Major mobile service providers in Poland are: Orange, Play, Plus T-mobile.

**Insurance**

It is suggested that all participants contact insurance company in order to ensure coverage. Neither ISOCARP nor the organisers will be responsible for injuries, loss of luggage and/or personal belongings.

**Electricity**

The power voltage in Poland is 230 V.

**Important Telephone Numbers**

999 Ambulance

998 Fire Brigade

997 Police

112 Mobile Phones Holders Assistance

**Useful websites**

More practical information and some interesting facts about Poland and Gdynia in particular can be found at:

<http://www.poland-convention.pl/en/>

<http://gdyniaturystyczna.pl/en/>