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83rd IFLA General Conference and Assembly**

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Greetings from NC Poland

We invite you

On behalf of the National Committee we are pleased to invite you to the 83rd World Library and Information Congress in Wrocław, Poland, which will take place from 19-25 August 2017.

“Libraries. Solidarity. Society.” A straightforward yet powerful message that resonates with a singular truth in a country where the most powerful union movement of the past century was born and went on to change the face of history. A message from a robust library community that managed not only to survive the challenges of the transformation, but excelled and flourished in the new social and political reality. And now the network of our country’s information providers is ready to bring you the most exciting and exceptional congress experience.

Poland hosted the IFLA World Congress only twice in its history: in 1936 and 1959, both times in the nation’s capital, Warsaw. Since then, the progress made in Polish science, information technology and librarianship, especially this past 27 years, has been nothing short of revolutionary. Over half a century later, the Congress in Wrocław has a feeling of starting over: new, fresh, full of ideas and ready for the challenges of the modern world.

While Wrocław is graciously inviting librarians from all over the world to come together and share their ideas in this unique city, we all know that organizing WLIC is a task that challenges the nation’s entire librarian community. A task this community is ready to take on, seeing it as an opportunity to present their achievements and engage with fellow librarians from all over the world. You are therefore cordially invited to visit libraries not only in Wrocław, but also in Lower Silesia, Katowice, Kraków, and many other cities. Wrocław is a town filled with vibrant and varied libraries, from the libraries of academic institutions to a rich offering represented by public libraries. Only in the past several years the University Library, the Wrocław University of Technology, and the Wrocław University of Economics have acquired new state of the art facilities equipped with the best technology, which IFLA Congress participants will have an opportunity to visit. Together with the unique special collections of the Ossoliński National Institute as well as those of Wrocław’s public libraries, such as Mediateka, they represent a very special offering to library professionals, while the tourist attractions of the city, with its colorful Market Square, the atmospheric Cathedral Island, and dozens of bridges linking Wrocław’s 12 islands, are a sight and experience not to be missed.

Greetings from NC Poland

In 2016 Wrocław had the double honor of being named European Capital of Culture as well as World Book Capital, a title bestowed by UNESCO in recognition of the quality of its programs to promote books and reading and the strength and dedication of the book industry. What better way to top it off than by sharing our experiences and ideas with over 4,000 librarians from all over the world? Poland, with its 1,000 years of history and a network of over 32,000 libraries providing access to information and technology, has much to offer to the international community of librarians and book lovers, and so we are proud and honored to be hosting the 83rd World Library and Information Congress in Wrocław.



Dr. Tomasz Makowski
Director General
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Polish Librarians' Association

The Mayor of Wrocław invites you

Dear Delegates,

In 2017 the City of Wrocław will have the honour of being the host of the IFLA World Library and Information Congress. We are very proud of this fact since Poland was the host country for the IFLA congress only twice - in 1936 and 1959. Therefore, Wrocław will have a great opportunity to present the changes which have taken place in the Polish library science over the past years. On 19-25 August 2017 Wrocław will put at your disposal all its scientific back-up, cultural richness, and a wide range of opportunities to spend your free time.

Over the past few years Wrocław has significantly developed the library infrastructure. The University of Wrocław has a new modern building of the University Library. There is also a new library of the Wrocław University of Technology, a modern venue established with the application of the IT infrastructure and innovative technologies. One of the most excellent libraries in Wrocław is the National Ossoliński Institute which was built in 1817 and is one of the most important Polish cultural centres with its outstanding library stocks. The dynamic development of municipal libraries in Wrocław is also worth emphasizing. The cooperation with librarians contributes to their prestige connected to the fact that in 2016/2017 Wrocław holds the World Book Capital title.

Wrocław is full of positive energy. The dynamic economic development, innovativeness, rich history and cultural diversity make Wrocław a place where every participant of the congress will find something of interest for them.

I would like to kindly invite you to visit Wrocław and to take part in the Congress which is an extremely important event, both for Wrocław and for Poland, due to the fact that the Congress will bring together so many exceptional worldwide experts. The Congress will take place in an amazing setting: the Centennial Hall which is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site due to its being of special cultural significance. Wrocław eagerly awaits your arrival!

Sincerely,
Rafał Dutkiewicz



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Important Dates to Remember

Start of Online Registration

1 October 2016

Start of Accommodation Booking

9 January 2017

Early Registration Fee Deadline

15 May 2017

Standard Registration Fee Deadline

17 August 2017

Onsite Registration

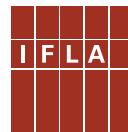
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Congress Dates

19-25 August 2017

About IFLA

IFLA is the international organisation for library and information associations, institutions and librarians in the user communities they serve throughout the world. It is the trusted global voice of the library and information community, and drives equitable access to information and knowledge for all.



To advance the interest of its members, IFLA:

- furthers accessibility, protection, and preservation of documentary cultural heritage;
- supports a library and information profession which anticipates and responds to the needs of communities worldwide;
- drives high standards in library and information services and professional practices;
- encourages widespread understanding of the value and importance of high quality library and information services in the public, private and voluntary sectors;
- promotes libraries as vital institutions that enhance people's lives through equitable access to knowledge and information.

IFLA does this by creating strategic alliances; enhancing professional education; developing professional standards; disseminating best practice and advancing relevant scientific and professional knowledge. It is committed to enabling all members of the Federation to engage in, and benefit from, its activities without regard to citizenship, disability, ethnic origin, gender, geographical location, language, political philosophy, race or religion.

IFLA embraces the principles of freedom of access to information, ideas and works of imagination and freedom of expression embodied in Article 19 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and that people, communities and organisations need universal and equitable access to these for their social, educational, cultural, democratic and economic well-being.

The Royal Library, the national library of the Netherlands, in The Hague, generously hosts our headquarters.

Congress Information

Congress Venue

Centennial Hall (Jahrhunderthalle), is generally considered to be one of the most significant works of 20th century architecture. Designed by an eminent architect Max Berg, it was constructed in 1913 on the occasion of the international exhibition organized on the 100th anniversary of the manifesto „To My People“ issued by Prussian King Frederick - Wilhelm III that called for a broad, common struggle against Napoleon. Nowadays, it is a venue where conferences, congresses, concerts, great operatic performances, trade-fairs and prestigious sporting events are held.

The Centennial Hall was added to the UNESCO World Heritage List in 2006. This crucial, internationally important architectural project was valued for improving and evolving the use of ferroconcrete in architecture. When completed, the Centennial Hall was the biggest European structure of this form and one of the turning points in reinforcing building structure with steel. Undoubtedly it is one of the most important works in 20th century architecture.

The Centennial Hall complex consists of the historical Pergola, the lush Japanese Garden, Poland's largest multimedia fountain and the Discovery Center of Centennial Hall. When making a visit to the Centennial Hall it is also recommended to take a walk through the picturesque landscape of the Szczytnicki Park. The Hall can bring a range of distinctive

and exceptional emotions. As an historic monument and taciturn witness of the past the Hall welcomes novelty, youth and technology. Become a witness of exceptional events at this magnificent historical structure.

Core Congress Dates

19-25 August 2017

The Opening Ceremony and the Exhibition Reception will take place at the Centennial Hall on Sunday, 20 August 2017.

Exhibition

IFLA will also hold a trade exhibition at the Centennial Hall in conjunction with the World Library and Information Congress. Attendees are invited to visit the exhibition which will be open from the afternoon of Sunday, 20 August 2017 until Wednesday, 23 August 2017. Final opening hours will be included in the Congress Programme.

Sponsorship

IFLA offers a range of commercial sponsorship opportunities for IFLA WLIC 2017. These can be booked online via the Exhibition and Sponsorship Ordering System (ESOS®). For further information regarding sponsorship and exhibition opportunities, please contact the Congress Secretariat:

wlic2017-sponsorship@kit-group.org.

Congress Information

Congress Material

Congress material will be available for collection onsite at the Congress Material Desk in the registration area.

IFLA Congress Communication

IFLA will communicate news items through several channels before and during the Congress, such as the IFLA Mailing List, a Pre-Congress Newsletter and social media. During the Congress Facebook will be the main channel for Congress news:

www.facebook.com/IFLAWLIC2017/

Please be aware that you do not need a Facebook account to be able to read the posts.

IFLA WLIC 2017 Website

Information regarding the Congress will be frequently updated on the IFLA website. We recommend visiting the IFLA website regularly to keep up-to-date with the latest news and information regarding IFLA WLIC 2017.

<http://2017.ifla.org/>

Congress Secretariat

K.I.T. Group GmbH Association & Conference Management has been appointed as the Congress Secretariat for the IFLA World Library and Information Congress 2017.

Congress Tours

A selected company will offer tours during and after the Congress, where guests have the chance to meet Wrocław and Poland. To learn more about the tours, have a look at:

<http://2017.ifla.org/>

Hotel Reservations

Reservations

All room reservations have to be made directly with the hotel by sending the official hotel booking form with the booking code “IFLA 2017” and full credit card details directly to the hotel. Without the credit card details the booking cannot be processed. Please take note that your hotel reservation is not complete if you do not return the completed and signed form to the hotel of your choice. Please find the hotel overview and more information on the Congress website. Telephone reservations will not be accepted. If you have any changes, please contact the hotel directly. If you do not have the contract details with you, we will be happy to help you at the registration counters.

Changes and Cancellations

All changes and cancellations must be sent in writing (fax or email) to the hotel directly. For the exact cancellation dates please have a look at the relevant hotel booking form. After this date, the full value of the reservation

Hotel Reservations

indicated on the hotel reservation form will be charged under all circumstances. For a reduction in the length of stay or in the case of a no-show, no refunds will be made. No-shows will be released at 09:00 the following day, and the accommodation will not be refunded.

Confirmation and Invoice

The confirmation and the invoice of the hotel booking will be sent out by the hotel or given to you upon check-out.

Payment

All charges for accommodation and extra costs must be settled by each guest upon departure directly at the hotel. If you would like to pay in advance by bank transfer, please contact the hotel directly.

Alternative Accommodation

Delegates are welcome to book their own accommodation other than the accommodation service offered by the Congress Secretariat. A list of alternative hotels will be available from the conference website.

Hotel List

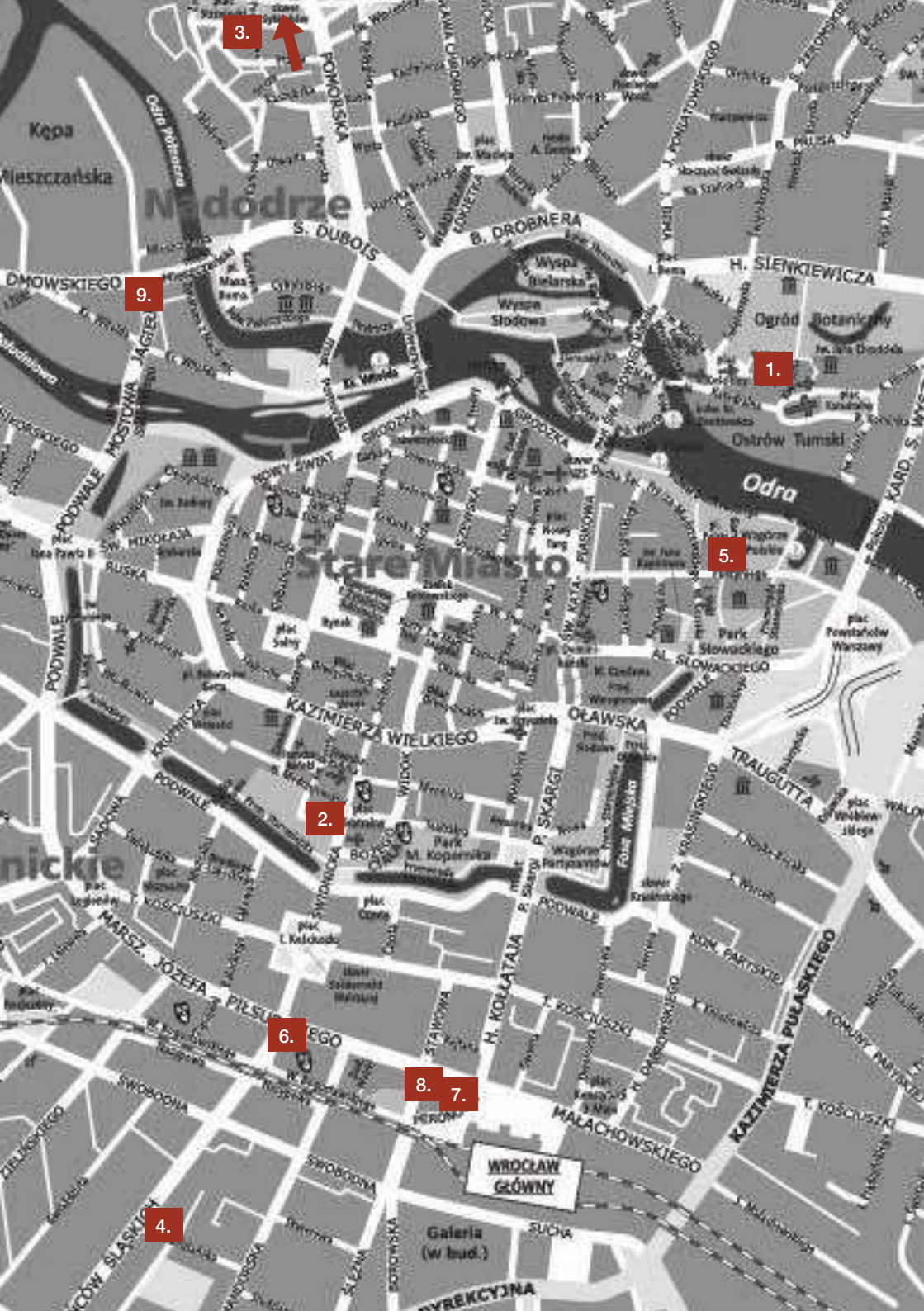
No.	Hotel	Category	Rate SGL use (in Euro)	Rate DBL use (in Euro)	Distance to Convention Center	Public Transport to Centennial Hall
1	Hotel Jana Pawła II	4*	70	87	2.6 km	Take tram 2 or 10 from "Katedra" towards Biskupin. Get off at "Hala Stulecia" 15 min.
2	Hotel Monopol	5*	130	145	3.7 km	Take tram 4 or 10 from "Świdnicka" towards Biskupin. Get off at "Hala Stulecia" 20 min.
3	Haston City Hotel	4*	93	104	9.5 km	Take tram 1 from "Marino" towards Hala Stulecia. Get off at "Hala Stulecia" 40 min.
4	Best Western Q	4*	85	95	4.8 km	Take tram 2 from "Hotel Wrocław" towards Biskupin. Get off at "Hala Stulecia" 25 min.
5	Radisson Blu	5*	165	180	2.6 km	Take tram 2, 4 or 10 from "Urząd Wojewódzki" towards Biskupin. Get off at "Hala Stulecia" 20 min.
6	Hotel Polonia	3*	56	62	4.2 km	Take tram 2 from "Arkady" towards Biskupin. Get off at "Hala Stulecia" 25 min.
7	Hotel Piast	2*	64	70	4.1 km	Take tram 2 from "Arkady" towards Biskupin. Get off at "Hala Stulecia" 25 min.

All rates are indicative and may be subject to change.

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No.	Hotel	Category	Rate SGL use (in Euro)	Rate DBL use (in Euro)	Distance to Convention Center	Public Transport to Centennial Hall
8	Hotel Europejski	3*	70	78	4.1 km	Take tram 2 from “Arkady” towards Biskupin. Get off at “Hala Stulecia” 25 min.
9	Campanile Wrocław Old Town	3*	58	60	4.3 km	Take tram 10 from „Jana Pawła II” towards Biskupin. Get off at “Hala Stulecia” 25 min.

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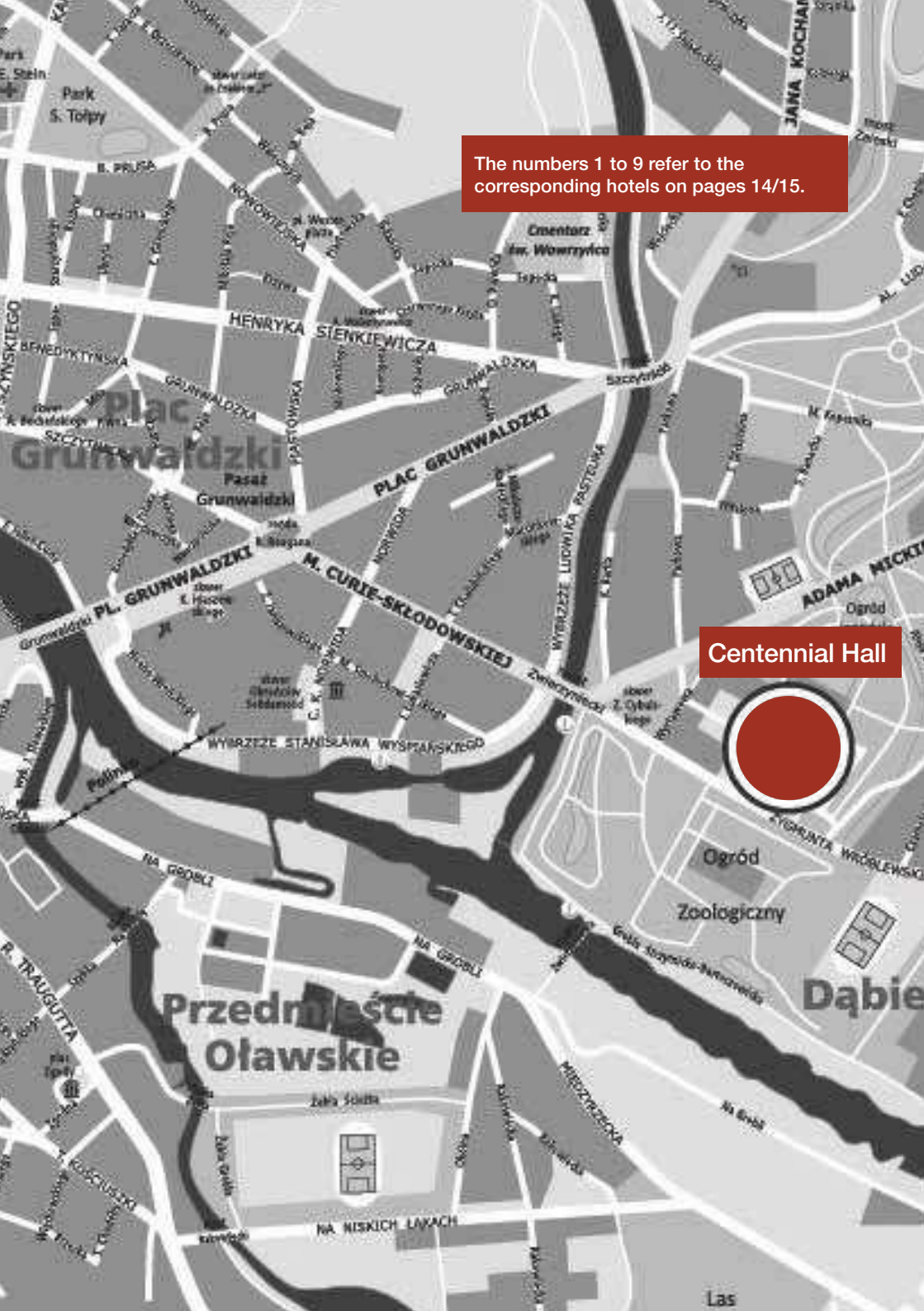
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Centennial Hall



Congress Outline

Friday, 18 August	Saturday, 19 August	Sunday, 20 August	Monday, 21 August	
PC Meeting 08:30 – 11:00	Officers Conference Brief 08:00 – 09:30	Leadership Forums 08:30 – 10:00	Plenary Session 08:30 – 09:15	Exhibition 09:30 – 17:30 Poster Session 09:30 – 17:30
	SC Meetings 09:45 – 12:15	Newcomers Session 08:30 – 10:00	Sessions 09:30 – 11:30	
GB Meeting 11:30 – 17:00	SC Meetings 12:30 – 15:00	Opening Session 10:30 – 12:00	Sessions 11:45 – 12:45	
	SC Meetings 15:15 – 17:45	President's Lunch (invited) 12:15 – 14:00 IFLA Market 12:15 – 13:30	Lunch Break & Exhibition Visits 12:45 – 13:45	
	Caucus Meetings 17:30 – 18:30	Sessions 13:45 – 15:45	Sessions 13:45 – 15:45	
	Caucus Meetings 18:30 – 19:30	Exhibition & Opening Party 16:00 – 18:00	Sessions 16:00 – 18:00	
		Officers Reception (by invitation only)		

PC = Professional Committee

GB = Governing Board

SC = Standing Committee

Congress Outline

Tuesday, 22 August		Wednesday, 23 August		Thursday, 24 August		Friday, 25 August	
Plenary Session 08:30 – 09:15	Exhibition 09:30 – 17:30 Poster Sessions 09:30 – 17:30	Plenary Session 08:30 – 09:15	Exhibition 09:30 – 14:30	Sessions 08:30 – 10:30	PC Meeting 08:30 – 10:00	Library Visits Full day & Half day	
Sessions 09:30 – 11:30		Sessions 09:30 – 11:30		Sessions 10:45 – 12:45			
Sessions 11:45 – 12:45		Sessions 11:45 – 12:45					
Lunch Break & Exhibition Visits 12:45 – 13:45		Lunch Break & Exhibition Visits 12:45 – 13:45		Lunch Break 12:45 – 13:45			
Sessions 13:45 – 15:45		Sessions 13:45 – 15:45		Sessions 13:45 – 15:45			
Sessions 16:00 – 18:00		General Assembly 16:15 – 18:00		Closing Session 16:15 – 17:30			
Cultural Evening							

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Satellite Meetings

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| 1 | Sponsor & “Theme” | <i>Academic and Research Libraries Section</i> |
| | | Digital Humanities - Cooperation of Cultural Heritage Institutions and Research |
| | Date | 15–17 August 2017 |
| | Location | Humboldt University Berlin and The Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities Berlin |
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| 2 | Sponsor & “Theme” | <i>Africa Section</i> |
| | | Theme to be confirmed |
| | Date | 16–17 August 2017 |
| | Location | The Polish Sejm |
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| 3 | Sponsor & “Theme” | <i>Genealogy and Local History</i> |
| | | The Challenge of Multiple Identities. Multiethnicity in Genealogy, Local History and Regional Memory. Connections and Challenges for Libraries and other Memory Institutions |
| | Date | 15–16 August 2017 |
| | Location | National Library of Lithuania and Library and Information Institute, Vilnius |
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| 4 | Sponsor & “Theme” | <i>Knowledge Management</i> |
| | | New Directions in Knowledge Management |
| | Date | 17–18 August 2017 |
| | Location | Warsaw or Gdansk |
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| 5 | Sponsor & “Theme” | <i>Libraries and Research Services for Parliaments</i> |
| | | Information as the Foundation for Social Solidarity: The Role of Parliamentary Libraries and Research Services |
| | Date | 16–18 August 2017 |
| | Location | Parliament of the Republic of Poland |

Satellite Meetings

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- 6** Sponsor & “Theme” *Library Theory and Research*
Data Curator’s Roles and Responsibilities
Date 16–17 August 2017
Location Warsaw University, Warsaw
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- 7** Sponsor & “Theme” *Management and Marketing & Public Libraries Sections*
Managing Change: Library Transitions - Moving into the Future
Date 16–17 August 2017
Location Hordaland County Library and Bergen Public Library, Bergen/Norway
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- 8** Sponsor & “Theme” *Preservation and Conversation*
Theme to be confirmed
Date 15–17 August 2017
Location HES - SO Valais - Wallis, Sierre - Sion (Switzerland)
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- 9** Sponsor & “Theme” *Rare Books and Special Collections*
History of Book Collections - What happens when Collections cross Borders?
Date 16–17 August 2017
Location University Library, Warsaw
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- 10** Sponsor & “Theme” *Reference & Information Services & Information Technology*
Innovation and the User Experience: Evaluating and Implementing Discovery Systems
Date 16–17 August 2017
Location University Library, Warsaw

Satellite Meetings

11	Sponsor & “Theme”	<i>School Libraries</i>
	Date	Advocacy of School Libraries 16 August 2017
	Location	Lower Silesia Pedagogic Library, Wrocław
12	Sponsor & “Theme”	<i>Science and Technology Section</i>
	Date	Training and Development for Science, Engineering & Medical Librarians, including the Hiring and Retention of such Personnel 17–18 August 2017
	Location	Center for Scientific & Technical Information, Wrocław University of Science and Technology
13	Sponsor & “Theme”	<i>Serials and Other Continuing Resources</i>
	Date	Scholarly Communication Issues in Relation to Serials and Other Continuing Resources Pre-Conference
	Location	to be confirmed
14	Sponsor & “Theme”	<i>ENSULIB, Environmental Sustainability and Libraries SIG</i>
	Date	Collaboratives Strategies for Successful Green Libraries - Buildings, Management and Services 16–17 August 2017
	Location	Free University of Berlin, Philological Library
15	Sponsor & “Theme”	<i>Women, Information and Libraries SIG</i>
	Date	Librarians’ Support to Women in Situations of Conflict Pre-Conference
	Location	Bratislava University Library, Bratislava

Registration Information

Definitions

K.I.T. Group GmbH Association & Conference Management is the Professional Conference Organiser appointed by IFLA for the IFLA World Library and Information Congress, 19–25 August 2017 in Wrocław, Poland. The organiser leads the Congress Secretariat and is responsible for registration services, hotel accommodation, sponsorship opportunities, exhibition management and the logistics for social events.

General Terms and Conditions for Registration

These General Terms and Conditions are valid for each attendee registered for the IFLA World Library and Information Congress, 19–25 August 2017 in Wrocław, Poland (hereafter referred to as the "Congress"). Any person, delegate, accompanying person, student, media representative, speaker, or exhibitor is considered an attendee.

Congress Registration

The registration deadlines are as follows:

Early Registration Deadline:

15 May 2017, 24:00 CET

Standard Registration Deadline:

17 August 2017, 18:00 CET

Onsite Registration:

from 18 August 2017

Only fully completed registrations will be accepted. The registration fee is based on the date of the receipt of the registration and the payment in full in accordance with the deadlines mentioned above. Should one deadline be missed, the next applicable fee will be charged automatically. The registration will only be confirmed upon receipt of payment in full.

Each participant will receive electronic confirmation of their registration. If the maximum attendee capacity is reached, the organisers reserve the right to refuse any registration.

To be eligible to register for the Congress, attendees must be at least 18 years old. Attendees may be asked to present an official identity card stating their age.

Registration Fees

The registration fee for regular delegates include:

- Admission to the Congress, the sessions, the poster area and the exhibition
- Congress material
- Opening / Closing Session, social and cultural events
- One local half-day library visit (based on availability)

Registration Information

The registration fee for accompanying persons include:

- Admission to the poster area and the exhibition
- Opening / Closing Session, Social and Cultural Events
- Half day sightseeing tours
- One local half-day library visit (based on availability)

No access to the sessions apart from the Opening and Closing Session. Only one accompanying person can be registered per delegate.

The registration fee for One Day registrations include:

- Admission to the Congress, the sessions, the poster area and the exhibition on the day of registration
- Day Bag / Congress material
- Opening / Closing Session, Social and Cultural Events on the day of the registration
- One local half-day library visit (based on availability)

All IFLA members are entitled to register at published member rates – just be sure to include your IFLA membership code on the registration form. If you don't know your membership code, please contact membership@ifla.org. However, if you are member of a national association which is a member of IFLA, please

contact your national association for the correct membership number. This number should be entered on the registration form.

To be able to register as a student, you must present a proof of fulltime enrolment at a recognised university or college for both the time of registration and during the Congress.

To register as a media representative, please contact K.I.T. Group at wlic2017-registration@kit-group.org in order to receive a media registration form. There is no registration fee for accredited media representatives. However, to register as a media representative, you must submit a copy of your official press card.

Group Registration

Group registrations will be accepted for a minimum of 10 participants. Please contact K.I.T. Group for further information: wlic2017-registration@kit-group.org

Accessibility and assistance

Delegates who require special assistance related to accessibility are welcome to contact the Congress Secretariat to discuss the possibilities: wlic2017-registration@kit-group.org

Registration Information

Congress Registration	EARLY Fee	STANDARD Fee	ONSITE Fee
	until 15 May 2017	until 17 August 2017	from 18 August 2017
	EUR	EUR	EUR
Full Rate - IFLA Member*	490	585	695
Full Rate - Non Member	665	780	915
IFLA Non-salaried Affiliate*	240	280	305
IFLA New Graduate Affiliate*	240	280	305
Student**	240	280	305
Accompanying Person	320	395	465
Day Ticket	175	200	230

All prices, categories and dates are indicative and subject to change.

* IFLA membership number requested

** Student ID or official letter of University must be provided

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Congress Material

If the registration form and full payment are received no later than the early registration deadline (15 May 2017), a Congress Bag is included in the registration fee for full delegates, students, speakers and media representatives. If the registration form and/or full payment are received after the early registration deadline, the Congress Secretariat cannot guarantee that a Congress bag will be available. Day delegates receive a Day Bag. All Congress materials will be handed out onsite at the Congress Bag counter.

Accepted Methods of Payment

All registration fees should be paid in advance in EUR and made out to K.I.T. Group GmbH, mentioning WLIC 2017. Please do not forget to indicate your first and last name on the payment.

Payments can be made by:

1. Credit Card:

Visa, AMEX or MasterCard are accepted. Credit cards are debited in EUR.

2. Bank Transfer

Please make sure all bank fees are covered by the submitting account and that the payment is free of charge for the receiver account. Please mention your first and last name and "WLIC 2017" on the bank transfer.

Payment by bank transfer is only possible until 1st August 2017. Only credit card payments will be accepted after that date.

Letter of Confirmation / Payment Receipt

A letter of confirmation / payment receipt will be sent by email once the Congress Secretariat has received the fully completed registration form and the related payment.

Please bring this confirmation to the Congress venue and go directly to the Self Printing Terminals. The barcode on this document will allow you to print your Congress name badge.

General Information

In addition to the payment receipt, general city and Congress information will be sent to all delegates by email approximately six weeks prior to the Congress in addition to being available on the Congress website. This will provide information and advice helping you to prepare for your visit to Wrocław, Poland and attendance at IFLA WLIC 2017. Please be certain to submit your email address when registering.

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Letter of Invitation

Individuals requiring an official Letter of Invitation can request one through the Congress website. The Letter of Invitation does not financially obligate the Congress organisers in any way. All expenses incurred in relation to the Congress are the sole responsibility of the attendee.

Visa Requirements

It is the sole responsibility of the attendee to take care of his / her visa requirements. Attendees who require an entry visa must allow sufficient time for the application procedure. Attendees should contact the nearest embassy or consulate to determine the appropriate timing of their visa applications. It is recommended to apply for a visa at least 3 months in advance of the Congress. When the registration has already been paid, the registration fee minus a handling fee of 50 EUR will be refunded after the Congress if the visa was applied for in time, and proof of this, together with an official notice from the embassy confirming that a visa could not be granted, is forwarded to the Congress Secretariat. For more information, see also page 36.

Certificate of Attendance

The certificate of attendance will be sent by email after the Congress.

Registration Cancellation Policy

Notification of cancellation must be made in writing and sent to the Congress Secretariat Registration Department by email or fax. If the written notification of cancellation is received before 15 May 2017, the paid registration fee less an administration fee of 50 EUR will be refunded.

No refunds will be made for cancellations received after this date. Credit will not be given for unattended events or early termination of attendance.

Registration Name Change

A handling fee of 50 EUR will be charged for every name change to an existing Congress registration. A new registration form for the substitute attendee should be submitted, as well as a proof for the reduced fee if applicable. Name changes will only be accepted until the standard registration deadline indicating clearly the new and old name. After the standard registration deadline (17 August 2017), all name changes must be carried out onsite.

Lost Name Badge

The name badge must be worn at all times during the Congress. Access to the Congress facilities will not be granted without a proper name badge. If an attendee loses, misplaces or

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forgets the name badge, a handling fee of 50 EUR will be charged for a new name badge. Upon handing out a new name badge, the lost badge will become invalid.

Modification of the Congress Programme

The Congress Secretariat and the Congress Organiser reserve the right to modify the programme, which is published as an indication only.

Cancellation of the Congress

In the event that the Congress cannot be held or is postponed due to events beyond the control of the Congress Organisers (Force Majeure) or due to events which are not attributable to wrongful intent or gross negligence of the Congress Organisers, the Congress Organisers cannot be held liable by attendees for any damages, costs, or losses incurred, such as transportation costs, accommodation costs, financial losses, etc.

Under these circumstances, the Congress Organisers reserve the right to either retain the entire registration fee and to use it for a future congress, or to reimburse the attendee after deducting costs already incurred for the organisation of the Congress and which could not be recovered from third parties.

General Terms and Conditions for Library Visits

Library Visits, local and non-local

All Library Visits require pre-registration and are based on a minimum number of 10 attendees. Should the minimum number of attendees not be reached, the Congress Secretariat reserves the right to cancel the tour. All departures for Library Visits start at the Centennial Hall. Notification of cancellation must be made in writing and sent to the Congress Secretariat by email or fax.

All buses for Full-day Library Visits, Regional Areas, start and end at the Centennial Hall.

Destination

Wrocław, Poland

Wrocław, the capital city of Lower Silesia, the fourth biggest city in Poland, is not only a dynamic economic centre, but also one of the most beautiful cities in Poland. Its cultural offerings can compete with that of other European metropolises. The city is one of the largest and most modern cities in Poland and at the same time one of the major tourist centres in the country. Over one thousand years of the city's history is represented through numerous architectural monuments, and the city itself, located by the Odra River and its canals, is considered the most beautiful city in Poland.

For years Wrocław has also been a major cultural center that hosted many artistic and sports events of international character. The city today is building on a long tradition as a venue for congresses, exhibitions and historically significant events. These large gatherings have sparked international interest in the city. They also spurred vast urban renewal projects that changed the city's skyline and enriched its cultural and congress infrastructure. Wrocław is a vibrant centre of entertainment and culture. Multicultural heritage of the region combined with numerous unique natural and historic landmarks make for engaging and inspiring backdrops for a wide range of professional gatherings.

Wrocław is also a historic, lively centre where the past meets the present. The amazing Old Town, the heart of the city, is a place that barely ever goes to sleep. Stroll around the narrow streets to get a glimpse of the city's spirit. Walk into one of the numerous restaurants, bars or cafes to taste our delicious cuisine. Want to do some shopping? Not a problem, you can find a shopping mall in almost every part of the city. All you have to do is enjoy your trip to Wrocław.

For more information please visit:

www.wroclaw.pl

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Airport

Wrocław Copernicus Airport (IATA: WRO), with its modern terminal opened in 2012, is located ten kilometers from the historical city centre. Wrocław Airport connects the city with major European transfer hubs (Frankfurt, Munich, Warsaw, Copenhagen) and with many other places in Europe.

For more information please visit:

www.airport.wroclaw.pl

Airport Transfer

By Bus

Bus No.106 goes to/from the Central Railway/ Bus Station everyday, every 20 minutes. The entire journey takes approximately 30 minutes (depending on the traffic).

Night bus line No. 249, goes from the city centre through the airport to Jarnołtów district, three times during the night.

A one-way ticket from the airport to the city centre costs 3 PLN.

See the detailed timetable: www.wroclaw.pl.

By Taxi

The easiest way to get from the airport to the city centre is by taxi. The distance from the airport to the city centre is approximately 10 km and takes about 20–30 minutes (depending on the traffic).

Approximate charges*

Airport – City Centre – 45-70 PLN, Airport – Main Railway Station – 50-60 PLN.

It is advised to always ask the driver in advance about the price.

* *Day rate. Prices may slightly vary depending on traffic difficulties (jams, detours, etc.). Night rate according to taximeter.*

Car Rental

It is possible to rent a car at the airport. Car rental desks are in the arrival hall, free access area. The companies are: Avis, Europcar, Hertz, Sixt, Budget, Enterprise, Awos, Panek, Express.

Banks and Exchange Office

You may change your money in various locations throughout the city. You can also find the exchange office at the airport, in the arrival hall. Most of the banks and hotels usually provide exchange services, but there are a lot of exchange offices in the city centre, and it is hard to miss them. Banks and exchange offices are usually open from 08:00 to at least 17:00, but in most tourist places the exchange offices operate until late hours. Please remember that an ATM is also a good solution to get some Polish Złoty (PLN).

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Climate

Wrocław is the warmest city in Poland. The average temperature in August is around 19 degrees Celsius, usually with sunny daytime, but nevertheless some rainy days may be expected. August is the middle of the Polish summer, so some hot days may be expected as well.

Culture and Entertainment

The city of Wrocław, which in 2016 was the host of the European Capital of Culture, is one of the most interesting cultural spots in Central Europe. With numerous venues and a variety of events, the city offers attractions for representatives of every generation.

The best proof of a thriving cultural climate is the honor to be the host of the 2016 European Capital of Culture, which is one of the most important events in the post-war history of the city. The cultural offer of Wrocław includes around 70 festivals — music festivals, film festivals, theatre festivals and festivals combining different kinds of art. Enthusiasts of the fine arts may be interested in exquisite interiors of numerous museums and galleries. One of the most unique exhibitions is Panorama Raławicka — a huge battle painting for which a special rotunda building was erected.

The Market Square

The Market Square is the heart of the city that throbs with life at any time of day or night. It is one of the biggest urban-planning undertakings of this type in Europe. The Town Hall, located in the middle of the Market Square, is a unique monument of gothic and renaissance architecture. Inside the Town Hall, the former seat of the city authorities, Museum of Townspeople's Art is located. Before dusk falls and we succumb to the charms of the city's night-life, which is extremely varied on the Market Square, you should see other museums located around the city centre.

Ostrów Tumski (Cathedral Island)

The oldest part of Wrocław. Surrounded by waters of the Odra River, the former stronghold, which fathered the city, is composed of beautiful architectural monuments. The most grandiose amongst them are gothic St. John the Baptist's Cathedral and Holy Cross Church that were restored after the War. There is also the Archdiocesan Museum, the oldest museum in Wrocław to have maintained continuity – it has been gathering sacral art's relics that, withdrawn from cult use, have great historical and artistic value.

The Quarter of Four Denominations

The Quarter of Four Denominations is part of the historic Old Town. Its unique character is decided by the magnificent monuments of

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sacral architecture. Within a distance of only 300 metres, there are: Orthodox Cathedral of the Birth of the Most Holy Mother of God, St. Anthony of Padua Church – Roman Catholic temple, the White Stork Synagogue and the Protestant-Augsbourg Divine Providence Church. In 2005, the temples were joined with a cultural path, and the area in which they are situated was included in the regional development plan.

The National Forum of Music

The National Forum of Music is a state-of-the-art multifunctional concert venue located in the historic centre of Wrocław. It hosts world-famous orchestras and concerts, providing splendid experiences for both eyes and ears. Have a look at their schedule for 2017 at:

www.nfm.wroclaw.pl

ZOO Wrocław

The Zoological Garden in Wrocław opened its gates to visitors for the very first time on 10 July 1865. The tragic history of the town was shared by the history of this zoo, which needed to be temporarily closed twice due to damage sustained during world wars. As the oldest zoo in Poland, it is a unique site to see the 19th century zoo buildings (i.e., Bear Castle dating from 1864) and very old tree stands. The recently opened Afrykarium is a world scale unique facility presenting African water ecosystems and is the main attraction of the zoo, while

equally new “Odrarium” presents the fauna of our river. Wrocław Zoo now houses more than 8,000 animals representing over 1,080 species. For more information, please visit:

www.zoo.wroclaw.pl

Currency

The currency of Poland: Polish Złoty (zł, PLN)
Currency subunit: Grosz 1/100 (100 groszy = 1 PLN)

Approximate exchange rates:

1 EUR = 4.30 PLN

1 USD = 3.86 PLN

1 CHF = 3.90 PLN

1 GBP = 5.50 PLN

ATM's are available 24/7 at most banks. Your bank must be part of a worldwide ATM network (ie. Plus, Cirrus, Exchange, Accel) to be able to withdraw money. The ATM fees assessed will be correlated to your respective bank policy on foreign exchange and cash advances based upon your bank card agreement. Some bank policies allow reimbursement of ATM fees, so it is best to consult your agreement for fee details.

Electricity

The voltage in Poland is 220-240 Volts. Primary socket type: Europlug, Schuko.

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Emergency Numbers and Medical Information

In order to report information regarding an incident, it is necessary to:

- speak English (if possible),
- give your name and surname,
- shortly describe the situation and indicate a place of the incident.

The most important alarm telephone numbers:

- 112 – General Alarm
- 999 – Ambulance Service
- 997 – Police
- 998 – Fire Service
- 986 – the Municipal Police

Food and Drink

Wrocław is one of the most attractive cities in Poland when talking about dining. A variety of restaurants offering Polish and European cuisine will satisfy the most demanding critics. You will easily find them in the Old Town area where majority of hotels are located. However, all other districts have got a number of restaurants from which to choose. Have a walk around the Market Square and surrounding streets and you will find something suitable for yourself at reasonable prices. Please have a look at the TripAdvisor restaurants section about Wrocław to get some tips.

Health and Medicare

Wrocław has a fine public health system with a number of hospitals located within the city. There is also plenty of pharmacies where delegates can buy medicines which do not require a prescription. Please note that visitors should have their own medical insurance in order to avoid high medical bills after visiting a hospital.

Wrocław's tap water is safe to drink, however, most restaurants serve bottled water. All of the catering services, pubs and restaurants are regularly checked by local authorities in order to meet worldwide safety standards.

Insurance

The registration fee does not include the provision of insurance of participants against personal accidents, illness, cancellation, theft, property loss or damage. Participants are advised to have adequate personal travel insurance. No responsibility will be accepted by the Congress Organizers.

Internet

Most of the restaurants, hotels and tourist centres have free Wi-Fi for their guests. In the most popular places such as the Market Square, free City Internet is available. Please remember that you might need an adaptor in order to charge your phone or laptop. And of course there is free wi-fi in the entire Congress venue.

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Language

The official language is Polish. In main tourist attractions you will find English and German signage and guides. Most of the people speak English, so you should not experience too many communication problems. If any interpretation will be needed, please contact Convention Bureau – Wrocław for advice:

www.convention.wroclaw.pl

Lunches and Refreshments

There are plenty of restaurants within walking distance from the venue, especially around pl. Grunwaldzki (Grunwaldzki Square) which is one of the most vibrant academic and business centres of the city, and is only 5 minutes away from the Congress Centre. Please ask our Congress volunteers for directions.

Passports, Visas and Letters of Invitation

Poland is part of the Schengen Area.

The unified Schengen visa (C-type visa valid in Schengen states) entitles the holder to stay in the territory of all Schengen states.

The Schengen visa with limited territorial validity (C-type visa valid only in Poland or with validity excluded for a specified Schengen state/states) only entitles the holder to stay in the territory of the state/states for which it is valid.

What documents do you need when submitting a C-type Schengen visa application?

1. Travel document:
 - valid at least three months after your planned departure from Poland/Schengen territory;
 - with at least 2 blank pages;
 - issued within the last ten years.
2. Completed and signed visa application form.
3. Biometric photo.
4. Visa fee.
5. Health insurance of at least EUR 30,000, valid in the entire Schengen territory.
6. Supplementary documents, confirming:
 - the purpose of the visit,
 - possession of accommodation;
 - possession of sufficient funds to cover the cost of entry, stay and departure from the Schengen territory or Poland;
 - willingness to leave Schengen territory after expiry of the visa.

The types and number of supplementary documents may differ depending on the consular office. Thus we advise you to contact the relevant consulate to obtain full information concerning the documents needed when submitting a visa application.

The consul of which Schengen state is competent to process your Schengen visa application?

The consul of the Schengen state which is the main destination of your visit is always the consul competent to process your visa application.

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If you are not planning to visit Poland at all, you cannot submit your Schengen visa application to a Polish consular office.

If you are going to visit several Schengen states, a Polish consul will be competent to process your application only if Poland is the main destination of your entry into Schengen territory or if Poland is the state in which you intend to spend most of your time.

If you intend to stay in the territory of Poland and/or any other Schengen states (during one or more visits) for a total of up to 90 days within a half-year period calculated from the date of first entry, or if you plan to pass through Schengen territory (by train, car or plane), you need to apply for a Schengen C-type visa.

For more information visit our MFAs website:

http://www.msz.gov.pl/en/travel_to_poland/visa/.

Shopping and Opening Hours

The opening hours of Wrocław stores are generally 09:00 - 20:00 on weekdays and 09:00 - 15:00 on Saturday. The big shopping centres are open from 09:00 - 21:00 from Monday to Saturday and from 09:00 - 20:00 on Sunday.

Taxis

There are plenty of taxi companies within the city, so you will have a variety to choose from.

You can either catch a taxi from the street, go to a taxi stop or order one by the telephone. If assistance is needed, please ask our volunteers to help you.

Telephone and Postal Service

The country code for Poland is 0048 or just +48 and then the number. You can choose from a variety of phone cards which will allow you to make international phone calls at a reasonable rate. It is possible to buy a pre-paid sim card in almost every kiosk or a petrol station (sometimes you might need a valid ID or passport to do that). Please note that the GSM frequency in Poland and Europe is 900/1800. Most of the post offices operate daily from 08:00 to 20:00 (Monday to Friday) and are closed at the weekends. One of the main post offices is located just in the Market Square (address: Rynek 28), so it will be easy for you to find it. The main postal services provider is Poczta Polska.

Tipping

Tipping is not mandatory in Poland so the service fee is barely ever part of the bill. However, it is impolite not to give any tip if you have been satisfied with the service. The usual tipping rate is 10% of the bill in restaurants and bars. As to the hotels – it is a matter of your choice.

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Tourist Information Office

The Meeting Point Centre

open daily from 09:00 until 20:00.

Rynek 14

50-101 Wrocław

Tel.: +48 71 344 31 11

Fax: +48 71 344 29 62

Email: info@itwroclaw.pl

Periodic on all lines

30 min: 3 PLN

60 min: 4.40 PLN

90 min: 6 PLN

24 h: 11 PLN

48 h: 20 PLN

72 h: 26 PLN

To plan your transport please visit:

www.wroclaw.pl

Transportation

Wrocław offers various means of public transportation. The city is well-connected by buses, trams and trains. There is no need to travel around the city using taxis, since our public transport is fast and reliable. On business days, day buses and trams usually go between 05:00 – 23:00, and on free days between 06:00 – 22:00.

Exemplary prices of tickets binding in public transport in Wrocław:

One-way

Normal and suburban lines: 3 PLN

Express and night lines: 3.20 PLN

Luggage or animal transport: 1.50 PLN

Library Visits, 25 August 2017

There will be a number of local and non-local library visits on Friday, 25 August 2017. Updated details and descriptions will be available in the website <http://2017.ifla.org/programme/library-visits>. A comprehensive list of libraries that you can visit on your own, will also be available online.

Full Day Local Library Visits

Two tours will be offered from 09:00 – 17:00. There might be a small charge for transportation for some of the Library Visits, full information will be available on the Congress website in due course. All buses will depart from Centennial Hall at 09:00 and return around 17:00. Refreshments will be provided free of charge during the tour.

- 1** **Tour Name:** *Wrocław's Academic and Scientific Libraries Tour*
- Description:** There are about 1,087 scientific libraries in Poland. The largest group among scientific libraries are libraries of higher education institutions (871), mainly universities (375) and technical schools (203) as well as medical schools (41), schools of physical education (8), theological schools (6), schools of the arts (24), pedagogical schools (21), economic schools (18), agricultural schools (12), schools of the Ministry of National Defence (4), schools of the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Administration (2), naval schools (2) and other higher education institutions (155). Wrocław boasts several Academic and Scientific libraries, among them the libraries of the University of Wrocław, Wrocław University of Technology, Wrocław University of Environmental and Life Sciences, Wrocław University School of Physical Education, Pontifical Faculty of Theology, and the Lower Silesian Pedagogical Library in Wrocław and Lower-Silesian Library Resource.
- Library Name:** Center for Scientific and Technical Information
- Description:** This modern library supports teaching and research at the Wrocław University of Technology. It functions both as a scientific and technical information centre and as a public scientific library. There are also branch libraries at the faculties, institutes, and other organisational units, which

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together with the Traditional Library and the Electronic Library form an integrated information and library system of the University.

Library Name: The Ossolineum Library

Description: The Ossolineum (founded in 1817) is one of the largest scientific libraries in Poland and one of the most important cultural institutions, second to none as far as the collections in the field of the humanities are concerned. The acquisitions profile has been defined as humanities with special emphasis on Polish and Slavonic history, culture and literature. In this respect, the Ossolineum collections are unique not only in Poland but also worldwide. The Ossolineum, home to a magnificent collection of historical archival materials and a large and valuable library, was moved from Lviv to Wrocław in 1947, where it was soon ensconced in the former St. Matthew's Gymnasium (secondary school), a splendid Baroque edifice on the riverbank, in the old university quarter. The tour of the Ossolineum will include the Aula, the three Halls Under the Dome, the Refectory, and two beautiful period courtyards.

Library Name: Wrocław University Library

Description: Wrocław University Library is a University-wide institution whose mission is to serve the teaching and research needs of the University community as well as to promote science and culture amongst the general public. Major efforts are made to keep the Library at the highest professional level to support University of Wrocław research and educational processes and meet the needs of all other users.

The tour includes visits in two of the three Library buildings:

- 1.) The Special Collections Department located at 3/4 Św. Jadwigi St. and
- 2.) The new Library building located at 12 Fryderyka Joliot-Curie St.

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Library Name: Library of Wrocław University of Economics

Description: The Main Library of Wrocław University of Economics offers employees, students, and all interested persons full access to the library collections, electronic resources, and wireless Internet as well as complex scientific and business information. In the Open Access Area and in the Lending Room registered readers can browse collections on the spot or borrow them either through self-service lending machines. Books may be returned 24/7 by means of a book drop located outside the main entrance to the Library. The Open Access Area and reading rooms are fully accessible for people with disabilities. The Economic Information Centre EIC provides online assistance in: searching for economic information, preparing statistical summaries, searching for subject-related literature, and drawing up bibliographic lists. The European Reading Room offers over 1000 books and journals selected from the Library's collection, European Union publications, and other EU documents.

2 **Tour Name:** *Wrocław's Public Libraries*

Description: There are 611 libraries and branch libraries operating in the territory of the Lower Silesian Voivodship. They form the largest organized network of cultural institutions in the voivodship, which is adapted to the structure of its settlement and to its administrative divisions. Its potential is reflected in both its resources (9.5 million books, 0.5 million special collections) and the number of its users (over 812 thousand), who represent different age groups, professions and social backgrounds.

Library Name: Tadeusz Mikulski Lower Silesia Public Library

Description: This is Wrocław's main public library, supervising the libraries in the Lower Silesian Voivodship. Apart from a rich collection of books and magazines, the library has a varied cultural offering aimed at adults and children as well as several divisions for foreign languages: Goethe Institute, American Corner, Alliance Française, Children's Library - Library of Seven Continents. The library strongly emphasizes the presence of modern technology: readers have access to over

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140 computers, a number of reprographic equipment of the latest generation, an automated library system (ALEPH), and a rich collection of e-books, as well as a particularly interesting database of materials concerning Lower Silesia (Digital Lower Silesia).

Library Name:

Branches of City Public Library in Wrocław

Description:

Branch No. 5 is an example of a library opened in cooperation with public benefit organizations. The Library “Graphite” is situated in the Wrocław Business Centre with areas designed for children, youths and seniors, and two rooms for quiet work or meetings in small groups. In the building there is the Wrocław Genealogical Society office.

Branch No. 58, the Mediateka, is the most famous public library in Wrocław, located in the city centre, with an interesting and rich programme.

Branch No. 29 also carries out the tasks of a school library, including the promotion of a project called “Parent Club”.

Branch No. 44, with MultiCentrum, also acts as a school library; additionally, it carries out interesting projects using new technologies in the area of aesthetic and musical education.

Branch No. 11, the Library at the Wrocław Main Railway Station (planned opening in 2016), is close to the gallery of modern art (also at the Main Station).

Half Day Local Library Visits – No charge to participants

All buses will depart from Centennial Hall at 09:00 and return by 13:00. Refreshments will be provided free of charge during the tour.

- 1** **Tour Name:** *Wrocław’s Special Collections Tour*
- Description:** Wrocław is home to one of the most important scientific libraries in Poland, the Ossoliński National Institute, second to none as far as the collections in the fields of humanities are concerned, while Wrocław University Library is a University-wide institution whose mission is to serve the teaching and research needs of the University

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community and to promote science and culture amongst the general public. Major efforts are made to keep the Library at the highest professional level to support University of Wrocław research and educational processes and to meet the needs of all other users.

Library:**The Ossolineum Library****Description:**

The Ossolineum's (founded in 1817) acquisitions profile has been defined as humanities with a special emphasis on Polish and Slavonic history, culture and literature. In this respect, the Ossolineum collections are unique not only in Poland but also worldwide. The Ossolineum, home to a magnificent collection of historical archival materials and a large and valuable library, was moved from Lviv to Wrocław in 1947, where it was soon ensconced in the former St. Matthew's Gymnasium (secondary school), a splendid Baroque edifice on the riverbank, in the old university quarter. The tour of the Ossolineum will include the Aula, the three Halls Under the Dome, the Refectory, and two beautiful, period courtyards.

Library:**Wrocław University Library****Description:**

Participants will visit the Special Collections Department located at 3/4 Św. Jadwigi Street. Within the Department are stored manuscripts collections that had survived the war from former University and City Libraries, as well as items acquired after 1945 (so called accession). The collection is thematically very varied and consists of theological, juridical, philosophical, and medical writings, works of classical Greek and Latin authors, letters of scientists and writers, as well as albums and oriental manuscripts. What makes this collection so special and unique are chronicles of Silesian cities, calendars, historical dissertations, genealogical materials and other valuable sources for Silesian history, as well as the largest collection of medieval manuscripts in Poland.

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- 2** **Tour Name:** *Wrocław's Public Libraries Tour*
- Description:** Wrocław is home to 38 public libraries that serve the needs of every age group. In most libraries there are special areas for the youngest readers as well as spaces for meetings with authors, promotion of readership and media events. In 2015, Wrocław's public libraries served 119,727 registered users, had 2,077,136 books borrowed and over 3,000 of books delivered by librarians and volunteers to the homes of sick and handicapped users. In 2015, the city of Wrocław, with a population of over 635,000, boasted 1,345,972 visits to its public libraries.
- Library:** **Tadeusz Mikulski Lower Silesia Public Library**
- Description:** Wrocław's main public library oversees the libraries in the Lower Silesian Voivodeship. Apart from a rich collection of books and magazines, the library has a varied cultural offering aimed at adults and children, as well as several divisions for foreign languages: Goethe Institute, American Corner, Alliance Francaise, Children's Library - Library of Seven Continents. The library strongly emphasizes the presence of modern technology: readers have access to over 140 computers, a number of reprographic devices of the latest generation, an automated library system (ALEPH), and a rich collection of e-books, as well as a particularly interesting database of materials concerning Lower Silesia (Digital Lower Silesia).
- Library:** **Mediateka**
- Description:** This is the most famous public library in Wrocław, located in the city center, with interesting and rich programme.
- Library:** **FAMA**
- Description:** The FAMA Library will be located in the newly built Centre of Culture. Both cultural institutions will be able to cooperate in activities in which books will be an inspiration. Planned opening in the fall of 2016.

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3**Tour Name:***Wrocław's Pedagogical and School Libraries***Description:**

School libraries data:

- total number of school libraries in Poland: 20,363 in schools for children and youths, schools for adults, and schools for the arts
- total number of schools: 34,270
- number of books in school libraries: 153,138,659 volumes
- number of students in schools with their own library and schools with library access: 4,689,182
- number of acting teacher-librarians: 22,397
- average number of books per school library: 7,520

Library:**Lower Silesia Pedagogical Library****Description:**

Poland has around 318 pedagogical libraries. Pedagogical libraries conduct operations responding in particular to the needs of education and teaching, including training and advancing teachers, supporting students preparing for the teaching profession and students of teachers' development centres. Pedagogical libraries carry out these responsibilities through services and library activities, providing assistance and subject matter training to school libraries, and collaborating in the area of teachers' development with higher education institutions and other libraries, as well as with education and training institutions for teachers. The readers of pedagogical libraries include: teachers and tutors from schools and educational institutions; school administration staff; researchers and academic teachers; and students of higher education institutions, postgraduate schools, and secondary schools. Many pedagogical libraries state that the library materials are available in the reading rooms to "all who are interested", regardless of their place of residence or education. The collections of pedagogical libraries include more than 14.3 million volumes of books and bound periodicals and more than 353 thousand stock units of special collections, making a total of almost 14.7 million.

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Visits are planned in three school libraries in Wrocław:

Zespół Szkół nr 16 ul. Hutnicza 45

Zespół Szkół nr 14 ul. Brücknera 10

Zespół Szkół nr 1 – ul. Stubicka 29/33

Full Day Non-Local Library Visits – Transportation costs for participants unless otherwise noted

- Tour Name:** *Oława and Oleśnica Public Libraries (Lower Silesia A)*

Time: Departure from the Centennial Hall in Wrocław at 09:00, return around 17:00

Library Name: City Public Library in Oława

Description: This library is located in the City Hall. The design project is based on an exceptional historic and cultural facility in combination with modern decor and furnishings. In the library there is the Museum of the Oława region. The library is named “Lace”. It refers to the lacemaking tradition of Oława. Lace was an expression of the wealth of the townspeople. Elements of lace became the main decorative component in the library interior (walls, blinds, picture frames, shelves sides, etc.). In a room used before the war as a bank vault, the library has created a space reminiscent of fantasy or of a wonderland. There are places for children to work and spend leisure time as well as for listening to music and audiobooks.

Library Name: Public Library in Oleśnica

Description: The Public Library in Oleśnica is the main institution promoting books and reading in the city and in Oleśnica region. The library is located in a large historic building from the early twentieth century located in the city centre. In 2014 the library was completely renovated and modernized from the funds of Programme Culture+, Priority “Library+Infrastructure Libraries”. The building is fully accessible for people with disabilities (ramp, elevator). The interiors have been originally

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furnished and equipped with attention to aesthetics and functionality. The library consists of a few parts: the main reading room, acquisition and cataloguing department, lending library for adults, library for children and youths “At the Owl”, branch library “at the Pegasus” and the museum of Oleśnica. In 2016 the library will be connected with the cultural centre.

2 **Tour Name:** *Świdnica, Czarny Bór, Bielawa Libraries (Lower Silesia B)*
Time: Departure from the Centennial Hall in Wrocław at 09:00, return around 18:00

Library Name: City Public Library in Świdnica
Description: The City Public Library in Świdnica is located in a historic building: City Palace, the residence of the Cistercian abbots of Krzeszów. The building was built in the baroque style and is one of the oldest baroque buildings in Świdnica. To this day the building preserves baroque design elements and stucco decorations on the ceilings. In the years 2003-2005 the palace was renovated and adapted to the needs of the City Public Library. Also in Świdnica is the Evangelical Holy Trinity Church of Peace, the most precious monument of Protestant sacral art of the Silesia region, regarded as the largest wooden church in Europe. It has been entered into the UNESCO World Cultural and Natural Heritage List. Its origin goes back to the Thirty-Years' War, the main church being erected in 1652-1657.

Library Name: Public Library in Czarny Bór
Description: An interesting example of architecture for a small rural community library. The municipality in Czarny Bór raised outside funds for the library from the Programme Culture+, Priority “Library+ Infrastructure of Libraries” led by the Ministry of Culture and National Heritage. The project for the Library was prepared by the Project Group ISBA from Wrocław.

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Library Name: City Public Library in Bielawa
Description: The library is located in an old building on the former textile factory “Bielbaw”. Thanks to the efforts of the local authorities, the building was transformed into a modern cultural centre with a library, computer lab, conference room and multimedia recording studio. The idea is that the place should not only meet the cultural needs of the inhabitants, but also encourage them to gain in-depth knowledge in the various fields of culture that will enable them to earn money and set up their own businesses.

3 **Tour Name:** *Karpacz and Jelenia Góra (Lower Silesia C)*
Time: Departure from the Centennial Hall in Wrocław at 09:00, return around 18:00

Library Name: Public Library in Jelenia Góra
Description: The Public Library in Jelenia Góra is famous in the region for active cooperation with institutions working in the field of culture in the Czech Republic as well as in Germany. It obtains outside funds also from cross-border programs. Additionally, a visit to nearby Lomnica Palace, which lies in the Hirschberg Valley in the heart of the “Valley of Castles and Gardens” is planned. Visitors will be able to see the Palace museum, the Farm (with linen and other shops) as well as lunch at the local self-service restaurant. Participants must cover museums tickets and lunch costs.

Library Name: City Public Library in Karpacz
Description: Karpacz is located in the Giant Mountains (Karkonosze), at the foot of Śnieżka mountain. It is a famous winter sports and holiday resort, known for its landscape and climate. The city library is located in a two-storey segment with an area of 230 m², in the restored building of the former railway station. There is a space for the youngest readers, a multimedia and computer lab, as well as a reading room with 40 seats for readers.

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Additionally, we propose a visit to a stave church (“Vang Church”) originally built around 1200 in the parish of Vang in Norway, later bought by the Prussian King, transferred and re-erected in 1842 in Brückenberg near Krummhübel in Germany, now Karpacz, in the Karkonosze mountains.

- 4** **Tour Name:** *Polkowice Library and Bolesławiec Live Museum of Pottery (Lower Silesia D)*
- Time:** Departure from the Centennial Hall in Wrocław at 09:00, return around 18:00
- Library Name:** City Public Library in Polkowice
- Description:** This library is very active in the local community. It is a modern and well-equipped library that provides a range of services for the region’s inhabitants, responding to the current cultural and educational needs. The library is well-equipped, has access to national and regional press and large multimedia collections. It acts as an information centre for the sub-region of Polkowice.
- Library Name:** **Bolesławiec Live Museum of Pottery**
- Description:** As early the 13th Century, Bolesławiec (named after its founder, Prince Boleslaw the Tall) has been famous for its exceptionally good ceramic ware. The Bolesławiec manufactory presents all the stages of the manufacturing process, thanks to which visitors can take a close look at how our pottery is produced. Together with the English speaking guide, visitors will be able to see all the stages of manufacturing stoneware vessels, starting from the production of the ceramic clay, through the process of casting the forms, firing, decorating, glazing, up to the final, second firing of the stoneware vessels.
- The tour will include a visit to the Bolesławiec Pottery’s flagship store.
http://ceramiczna-przygoda.pl/en_home/
 Cost: 10 PLN per adult

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- 5** **Tour Name:** *Opole Libraries Tour (Upper Silesia A)*
- Time:** Departure from the Centennial Hall in Wrocław at 09:00, return around 18:00
- Library Name:** Library of Opole University
- Description:** The Main Library of the University of Opole is the biggest library in the region. The Library is a welcoming and friendly place for everyone interested in using its resources. It supports university employees and students in their research and teaching. The Library consists of 11 specialist libraries, and their resources correspond with the educational profiles of the faculties and institutes. The library owns an interesting collection of manuscripts from the 19th and 20th centuries, including official documents from Opole Silesia region, such as: church documents, documents from schools and relating to the history of education, biographies, letters, literary works, and others. Materials such as the Archive of the Union of Poles in Germany “Rodło”, the collection of documents of the Polish immigrants’ organization in London “Independence and Democracy”, as well as books and journal collections of the period 1978-1989 – representing the so-called second circle publishing and donated by the KARTA Foundation Centre, can all be access at the library’s archive.
- Library Name:** City Public Library in Opole
- Description:** Modern and beautiful are the two adjectives that best describe the Public Library in Opole. The building stands on the edge of the Old Town, and close to the Gothic-baroque Franciscan Monastery, Prisoners of War Museum, Młynówka Canal and city park. The library complex consists of two parts – a 19th-century house with a neo-classical facade and a modern, partially glazed structure which blends in beautifully with the surrounding architecture. The ground floor has a press reading room, a foyer, a conference room and a cosy cafe – all operating even outside the opening hours of the library. Above are a children’s library, a fairy-tale room with a

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patio, a mezzanine with an educational showcase, a lending library and reading room for adults and a mediatheque. The building has state-of-the-art media and computer equipment. Readers can use an online catalogue and a self-service system to borrow and return books. The Municipal Library in Opole offers a wide range of events for all age groups. The project received the main award in the 4th contest of “Poland Even More Beautiful – 7 Miracles of EU Funds” in the Revitalization category.

6 **Tour Name:** *The Libraries of Katowice (Upper Silesia B)*
Time: Departure from the Centennial Hall in Wrocław at 09:00, return around 18:00

Library Name: Scientific Information Centre and Academic Library (CINiBA)
Description: The Scientific Information Centre is a shared library of two universities: The University of Economics and the University of Silesia, which makes it a unique institution in Poland. It is located in a new and innovative building. Its purpose is to give a wide audience access to both traditional knowledge contained in books and magazines, as well as all kinds of multimedia and electronic media. The innovative 3-storey centre, topped by a one-storey cube on top, provides functional space with a capacity for 1,000 people and a collection of some 1.8 million volumes, and was designed by the HS99 design team in Katowice. It won the title in the category of “Museums and Libraries”. The centre performs the traditional functions of a scientific library, using modern technologies and information tools. Simultaneously, it is performing new objectives, taking various user groups into account.

Library Name: Silesian Library
Description: The Silesian Library is the main public library of Upper Silesia. The collection contains documents from all scientific disciplines, with particular emphasis on legal science, economics, social sciences

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and humanities as well as regional literature (Silesiaca). The Silesian Library is the oldest library in the Upper Silesia. It was founded around the end of 1922 and the beginning of 1923 as the Library of the Silesian Parliament. Since then it has become one of the most flourishing institutions propagating culture in the region. In 1998 a new library building was opened to the public. The Library has in its possession over 2,300,000 volumes, among them: printed materials (monographs, brochures, periodicals), manuscripts and typescripts, cartographic materials (maps, atlases), iconographic materials (graphic materials, drawings, engravings, photographs, postcards, bookplates), audio-visual materials (analogue records, compact discs, cassette tapes), ephemera, and electronic data carriers (CD's, DVD's).

- 7** **Tour Name:** *Cieszyn Libraries Tour (Upper Silesia C)*
- Time:** Departure from the Centennial Hall in Wrocław at 09:00, return around 18:00
- Library Name:** Książnica Cieszyńska
- Description:** Cieszyn, sometimes called the “City of books”, is the only cultural centre of Upper Silesia in which the resources and library collections of public and private provenance have survived intact for centuries. Collections of the libraries include archival sources, manuscripts, and prints created in the region, as well as literature that since the Middle Ages has inspired the development of the region’s culture and shaped its specific character. Most of these are now included in the Cieszyn Historical Library, the municipal scientific library, the stock of which contains a total of 160 thousand volumes, including among others more than 23 thousand old prints (56 incunabula), and in addition 18 thousand inventory units of manuscripts. One of the biggest attractions is the Library of Leopold Szersznik, dating to 1801, with a unique collection of rare manuscripts that has survived in its original state and is available to visit in the Library’s new building, opened in the year 2000.

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Library Name: City Library in Cieszyn

Description: City Library in Cieszyn had been the most important centre for the development of reading culture in the local community for 70 years. The institution is located in a historic building in this city of 36 thousand inhabitants, which borders on the main commercial artery running from the Castle Hill to the Market. One of the strengths of the institution is the wide range of cultural and educational activities directed towards children, adolescents and adults in the form of cyclical activities, and the organization of cultural events on a larger scale, such as the International Festival of Reading or the National Reading Olza in Cieszyn. In 2014 the Municipal Library undertook the investment project “Library +”, involving the modernization and retrofitting of the historic Municipal Library building in Cieszyn with funds from the Ministry of Culture. The priority task was to adapt the building to the needs of people with disabilities and to provide a new multimedia studio, “YOURmedia”, for the media education of children, youths and seniors. In Cieszyn, IFLA guests can visit both libraries as well as numerous historical and natural attractions.

8 **Tour Name:** *Bielsko-Biala Libraries and Sightseeing Tour (Upper Silesia D)*

Time: Departure from the Centennial Hall in Wrocław at 09:00, return around 18:00

Library Name: Beskidzka Library

Description: Beskidzka library in Bielsko-Biała is a municipal library, serving also as the county library. The library was founded in 1948, and its fate has been intertwined with the history of the city of Bielsko-Biała. The main building was built in the early 1970s and has been gradually modernized to best serve the needs of the modern user. In this building are located the main divisions of the library, as well as the European Information Point, which operates on a consensus basis with the Representation of the European Commission. In addition to the main building, our most precious collections of manuscripts

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are located in the special collections, housed in a historic building in the old town, while a branch on the outskirts of Złote Łany contains the Czech Centre for Information and Education, promoting Czech culture and literature. The Integration Branch on the outskirts of Grunwald carries out various activities aimed at the needs of disabled users. Additionally, the library offers IFLA visitors sightseeing in Bielsko-Biała and a gondola trip to the Szyndzielnia mountaintop.

9 **Tour Name:** *Jaworzno and Tychy Libraries (Upper Silesia E)*
Time: Departure from the Centennial Hall in Wrocław at 09:00, return around 18:00

Library Name: City Public Library in Jaworzno
Description: The Construction of the Main building of the Public Library in Jaworzno was financed from the European Regional Development Fund. An important element of the visit will be the presentation of the Main Library's architectural solutions and technology, which meet the standards of the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions. During the event we will invite participants to visit the Eco- Geological Education Centre GEOsphere, a special and unique theme park of national renown, which is one of the most interesting tourist destinations of Jaworzno.

Library Name: City Public Library in Tychy
Description: City Public Library in Tychy, established in 1956, proposes the following agenda for the IFLA visitors:

- 1.) A visit to the Mediateque and a short multimedia presentation of the activities of the Tychy Library.
- 2.) Visiting selected sites in Tychy which are close together: Paprocany holiday resort, Church Of the Blessed Carolina Kozkowna, Church of the Holy Spirit built at the turn of the 70s and 80s of the twentieth century, with consecration and dedication on 11 September 1982,

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- 3.) Visit to Tychy brewery, dating back to the early seventeenth century. It was created in the area of the manor belonging to the Pless Promnitz family. It was first mentioned in the year 1613.
- 4.) A Beer Feast at the Brewery.

10**Tour Name:***Kraków Academic Libraries (Krakow A)***Time:**

Departure from the Centennial Hall in Wrocław at 09:00, return around 19:00

Library Name:

The Jagiellonian Library

Description:

The Jagiellonian Library is the oldest academic library in Poland. Together the Medical College Library and the departmental and institutional libraries make up the library-information system of the Jagiellonian University. Thanks to its extensive collection of Polish publications, it is known as a national library. Currently, the Library processes and archives all Polish publications printed in Poland and abroad. The Library also collects foreign scholarly literature in fields that relate to the University's areas of research and coursework. Priorities include cultural studies, linguistics, literary studies, art and religious studies. The Jagiellonian Library also offers Internet access to electronic versions of scholarly journals and electronic databases.

Jagiellonian University is the oldest higher education institution in Poland and one of the oldest in Europe. It was founded on 12 May 1364 by the Polish king Casimir the Great. After the king's death, the University ceased to exist. It was re-founded by King Vladislaus Jagiełło on 26 July 1400. Queen Jadwiga, who died in 1399, contributed to the restoration by leaving a considerable portion of her private estate to the University in her last will. The oldest, main college was at first called the Royal Jagiellonian College (Collegium Regium), and then the Greater College (Collegium Maius). The University, located in the then capital of

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the Kingdom of Poland, never again interrupted its educational and scholarly activity. Not only does it constitute a symbol of continuity of the Polish state, but also places Cracow among the most important educational centres in the country.

Library Name: AGH University of Science and Technology Library
Description: The Main Library of the AGH University of Science and Technology is the largest technical library in Kraków and one of the biggest in Poland. The AGH-UST Main Library is a university-wide unit fulfilling service, didactic and scientific tasks. The Library performs the functions of a reference unit, and together with branch libraries it makes up a uniform library information system. As regards the size of the collection, it is the second library in Kraków, after the Jagiellonian Library. Moreover, the Library plays the leading part in the Kraków Library Group.

Time off for visiting the city's main attractions:

Market Square, Sukiennice, St. Mary's, Basilica, Wawel Castle and Cathedral, Jewish quarter (Kazimierz).

11 **Tour Name:** *Kraków Special Collections Libraries (Krakow B)*
Time: Departure from the Centennial Hall in Wrocław at 09:00, return around 20:00

Library Name: The Princes Czartoryski Library
Description: The Czartoryski Library is one of the most interesting historical collections in Poland. It was founded by Prince Adam Kazimierz Czartoryski and Izabela Czartoryski Flemming. The library, located in the Czartoryski Palace in Pulawy, has been enlarged by the Tadeusz Czacki library, which included archives from Stanislaw August Poniatowski, the last Polish king. The Princes Czartoryski Library is owned by the Princes Czartoryski Foundation. In the library collection there are monuments of literature from the tenth to

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the twentieth century concerning the history of art, history, science, military science and literature. The library collections include, among others, over 200,000 early printed books, 200 medieval manuscripts, 80 illuminated manuscripts as well as autographs letters of Nicolaus Copernicus, Ludwig van Beethoven, Martin Luther, Adam Mickiewicz, George Byron, George Washington and others.

Library Name: Jagiellonian Library Special Collections

Description: The Jagiellonian Library is the oldest academic library in Poland. Thanks to its extensive collection of Polish publications, it is known as a national library.

Highlights include:

Manuscripts: The manuscript collection of the Jagiellonian Library has fortunately survived the period of the Nazi occupation. In 1946, the codex of Balthazar Behem was returned to Cracow. After the Second World War, the Library received two extremely valuable manuscripts, namely the autograph of *De revolutionibus* of Nicolaus Copernicus and *Banderia Prutenorum* of Jan Długosz.

Cartographic collection: The most valuable objects stored in the collection of the Section of Graphic and Cartographic Collections include *Liber geographiae* of Claudius Ptolemaeus (Venice, 1511), *Theatrum orbis terrarum* of Abraham Ortelius (Antwerp, 1575), *Delineatio specialis et accurata Ukrainae* of Guillaume le Vasseur de Beauplan (Gdańsk, 1650), and the Topographical Map of the Polish Kingdom published in 1843.

Time off for visiting the city's main attractions:

Market Square, Sukiennice, St. Mary's Basilica or Wawel Castle and Cathedral

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