

Annual Conference of the IGU Urban Commission

URBAN CHALLENGES IN A COMPLEX WORLD

Poznań, 11 - 14 August 2014

Useful information

How to get?

To city centre from airport:

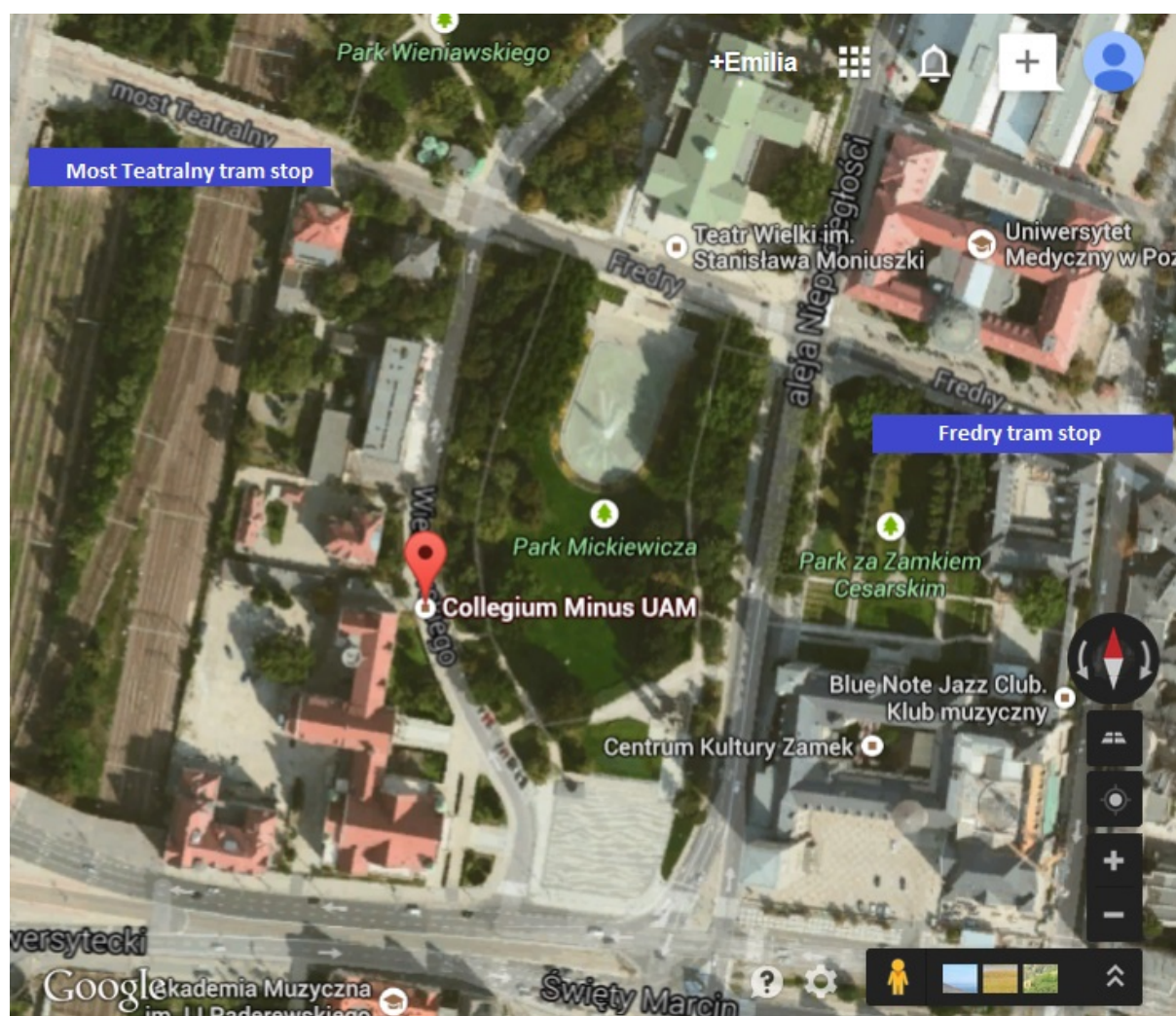
Bus „L” – to Dworzec Główny (Central Station) – stop Rondo Kaponiera
(twice per hour)

To hotels from airport:

TAXI – (radio taxi only): 40 – 50 zł (10 - 12 Euro), depends on localization of hotel, day (cheaper in working days) and time (cheaper between 6.00 – 22.00).

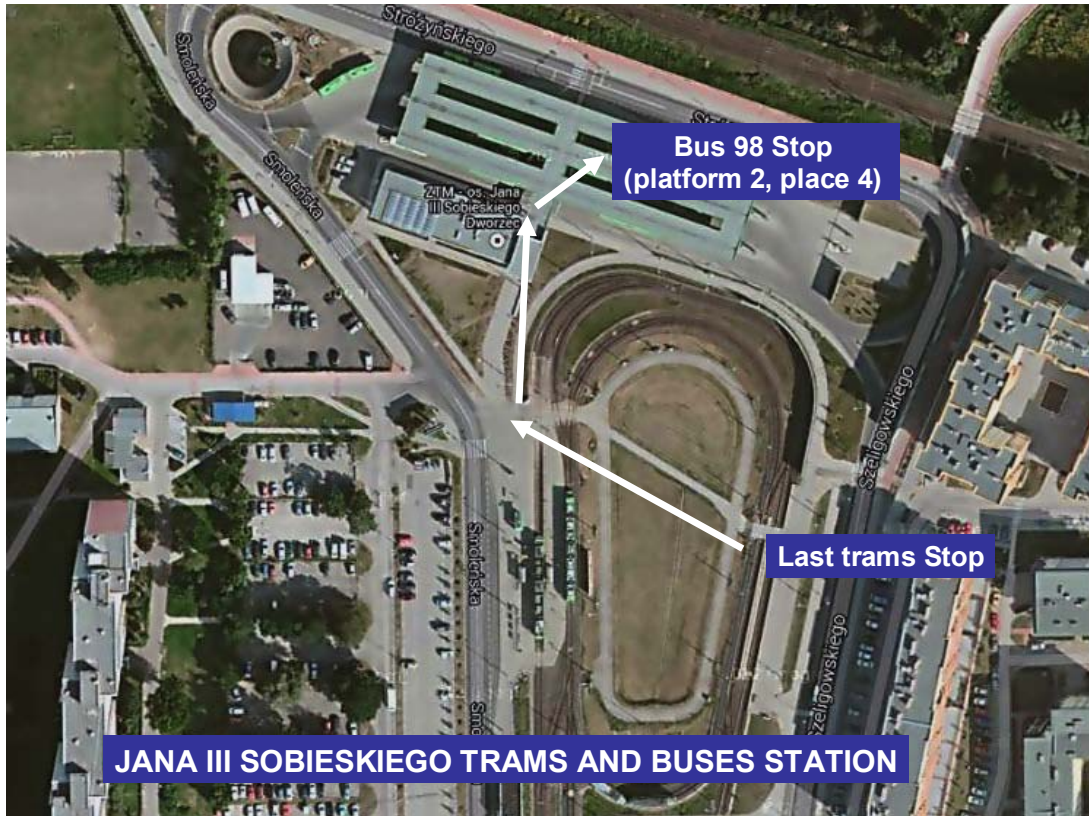
To AMU Collegium Minus (conference venue 11 August & 12 August):

Collegium Minus is located in the city center, it is within walking distance from most of hotels. You can also reach it from tram stops Fredry or Most Teatralny.

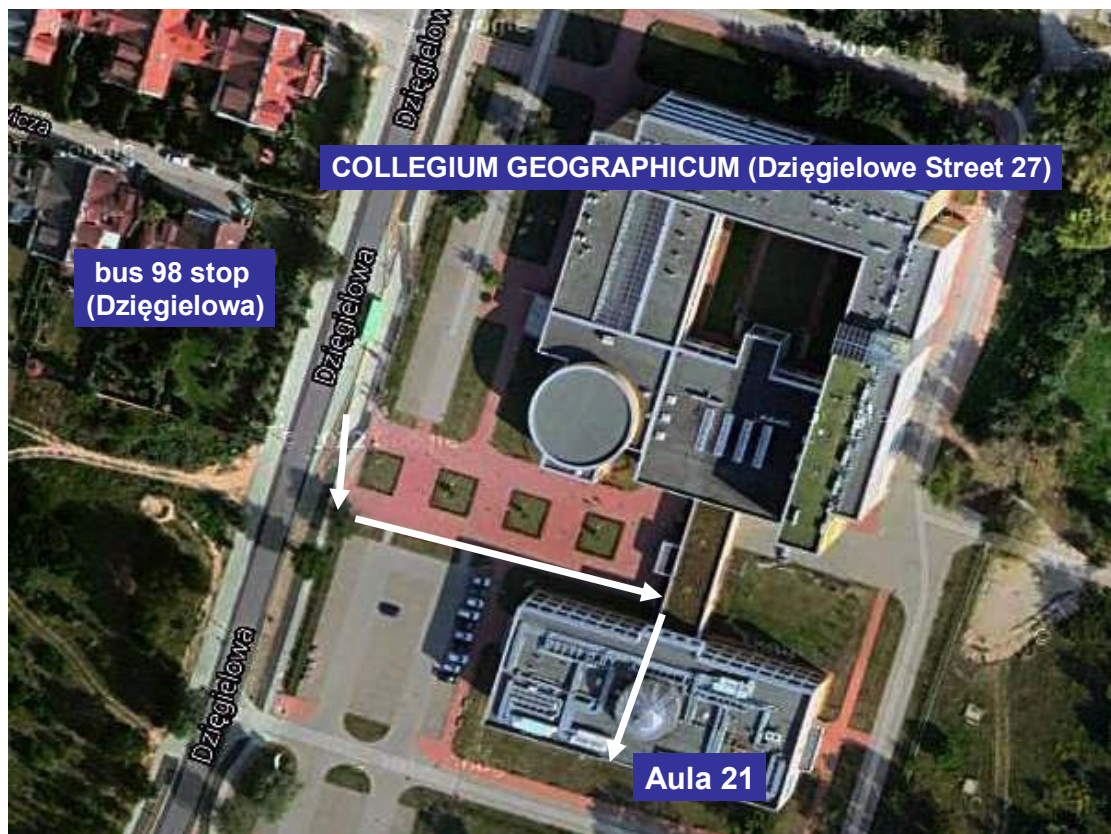


To Collegium Geographicum from city centre (conference venue day 13 August & 14 August):

Trams: 10, 12, 14, 15 and 16 direction Jana III Sobieskiego (to the last stop)



Then Bus 98 (from Jana III Sobieskiego Station) – direction Radojewo or Różany Potok: Stop “Dzięgielowa” (Collegium Geographicum)



For better information see Google maps (also visual presentation of streets and buildings)

Tickets: in vending machines inside bus or tram (not all of them have it!) or in shops with newspapers located on bus or tram stops

PARTICIPANTS WILL GET 72 HOURS TICKET FOR TRANSPORT DURING REGISTRATION!

Moving around the city

Collegium Minus (conference venue for 11 and 12 August), most hotels and city center are available on foot.

When using public transport - there is a brilliant mobile application – jakdojade.pl Please consider downloading it on your mobile to help you moving around the city!

For buses and trams timetables see: <http://www.mpk.poznan.pl/?lng=en>

Credit cards and cash machines

Credit cards are accepted in most places (shops, restaurants etc.). Anyway, we advice to have at least small amount of Polish money to pay in smaller shops. There are plenty of cash machines everywhere.

Weather

August is the warm month with average temperature about 20 degrees. Please keep in mind that weather is changing a lot: there might be 30 degrees and sunny weather, but also 15 degrees and rainy weather. Before your travel please look at the forecast on www.foreca.com.

Electricity

Polish sockets are standard European sockets, with a voltage of 230 V/50Hz. All visitors coming from countries using appliances/plugs that do not work with such sockets/voltages (especially American and British guests) are advised to bring adapters.

Telephones

All European mobiles will work without problems. Polish mobile phone operators use both of the two standard European GSM bands, 1800 and 900 MHz. Visitors coming from the US may need a tri-band ("world") phone.

The international code for Poland is +48; the area code for both Poznań is 61.

Currency

Polish currency is złoty.

You can exchange money (1 Euro = ca 4 zł) at the airport: desk at the Airport Hall or in the city centre (bank or "Kantor"). You can also simply withdraw it from the cash machine.

Coins: Coins were introduced in 1995 (dated from 1990) in denominations of 1, 2, 5 groszy (colloquially called *miedziaki* corresponding to its copper colour or *dziady* as coins with very low value and identified with poor people), 10, 20 and 50 groszy, 1 (colloquially called *złotówka*), 2 (colloquially called *dwójka*) and 5 złotych (colloquially called *piątka*). The 1, 2, and 5 groszy are minted in brass, and the 10, 20 and 50 groszy and 1 złoty in cupro-nickel, whilst the 2 and 5 złotych are bimetallic.

Banknotes: In 1995, notes were introduced in denominations of 10 (colloquially called *dycha*), 20, 50, 100 (colloquially called *stówka* {"stówka"} or *bańka*) and 200 złotych. Since 2006 several commemorative banknotes for collectors have been issued.

Image		Value	Dimensions	Watermark	Description	
Obverse	Reverse				Obverse	Reverse

	10 zł	120 × 60 mm		Mieszko I	Silver denar coin during the reign of Mieszko I
	20 zł	126 × 63 mm		Bolesław the Brave	Silver denar coin during the reign of Bolesław I Chrobry
	50 zł	132 × 66 mm	As portrait	Casimir III the Great	White Eagle from the royal seal of Casimir III the Great and theregalia of Poland: sceptre and <u>globus cruciger</u>
	100 zł	138 × 69 mm		Władysław II Jagiełło	Shield bearing a White Eagle from the tombstone of Władysław II Jagiełło, coat of the Teutonic Knights and the Grunwald Swords
	200 zł	144 × 72 mm		Sigismund I the Old	Eagle intertwined with the letter S in a hexagon, from the Sigismund's Chapel