

Weather forecast for Krakow

Light showers possible on Thursday, Friday till Sunday should be sunny. Maximum temperatures: day 18-21°C, night 6-12 °C.

The route from Krakow Airport to the course venue Hotel Chopin

For your trip from the airport to the hotel, you might need some sum in local money – Polish Zlotys (PLN, *zł*). The exchange rate is roughly 4 PLN for 1 €. The exchange offices at the airport offer worse rates than in the downtown, so it is not advisable to change larger sums of money here. Here, you will probably need up to 100 PLN for the taxi, and up to 15 PLN for public transportation (note: ticket machines accept only coins, you also can buy train tickets from the train attendant on board, and tram tickets at kiosks and newsstands).

By taxi

You can get straight from the airport to the Hotel Chopin on a taxi. Taxi cabs are located at the front of the international and domestic terminals. The fare from the airport to the hotel will cost approximately 50-100 PLN (13-25 €). You can pay by cash, most cabs are also equipped with credit card terminals.

By public transportation

This is possibly the faster route, as trains and trams avoid traffic jams. You will need to go by train to the Main Railway Station (KRAKOW GLOWNY), where you switch to the underground tram (one stop to Hotel Chopin). Alternatively, you can walk from the Railway Station to the hotel (around 20 minutes).

From the Airport to the Main Railway Station by train

The train service is the fastest link between the Krakow Balice Airport and the centre of Krakow. The trains departure every 30 minutes. The trip lasts 16 minutes.



The **airport train station** is located 200 m from the T1 international terminal. You may buy your train ticket in the terminal or pay your fare on the train. There is a **free shuttle bus** circulating between the terminals and the train station. The shuttle bus stops at the front of the terminal.

Train tickets can be purchased from:

- ticket machine in terminal T1 near main exit (price: 7 PLN, you will need coins)
- ticket machine on the train (price: 7 PLN, you will need coins)
- train attendant (price : 8 PLN)

From Krakow Main Railway Station to the Hotel Chopin by underground tram

Once you arrive in the Krakow Main Railway Station (KRAKOW GLOWNY), take off the train and go back around 30 metres along the platform, where you will see the entrance to the GALERIA KRAKOWSKA:

Go down the stairs, turn right, and then, after 5-10 metres, turn left (before the entrance to the GALERIA KRAKOWSKA).

Take the second pair of the escalators (directions: WZGÓRZA KRZESŁAWICKIE, KURDWANÓW and BIEŻANÓW NOWY) and go down again.



Now you are approaching the underground tram stop.

From the tram underground stop, take either:

line 5 (direction: WZGÓRZA

KRZEŚŁAWICKIE),

line 50 (direction: KURDWANÓW PĘTLA), or

line 51 (direction: BIEZANÓW NOWY).

But first: Have you got your tram ticket?



Remember that before you get on the tram, you need to buy a ticket.

You can buy the tickets from the ticket machine, which is located on the platform.

The machine accepts only cash – no card payments.

You may select **English interface** in the ticket machine.

Select single fare, price 2.5 PLN.

If your **luggage** exceeds dimensions 60 cm x 40 cm x 20 cm, you will need to purchase another ticket at the same price.

Also, please remember, that after you buy the ticket, you need to validate it in the stamp machine inside the tram.



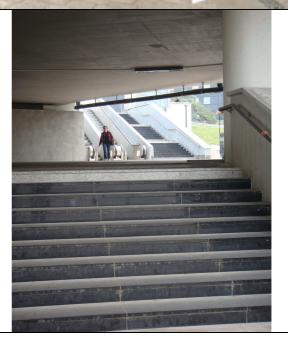
Take off at the next stop (RONDO MOGILSKIE).



The tram stop is located very close to the Hotel Chopin (the course venue). After you take off, go a few steps back to the nearest pedestrian crossing. After crossing the street, go straight to the stairs.



Follow the stairs, and soon you will see the Hotel Chopin.



After going up the stairs/escalators, go along the street around 50-100 meters and turn right to the PRZY RONDZIE Street, leading to the hotel's main entrance.

Registration desk will be just in front of the hotel's main entrance, so you can't miss it.

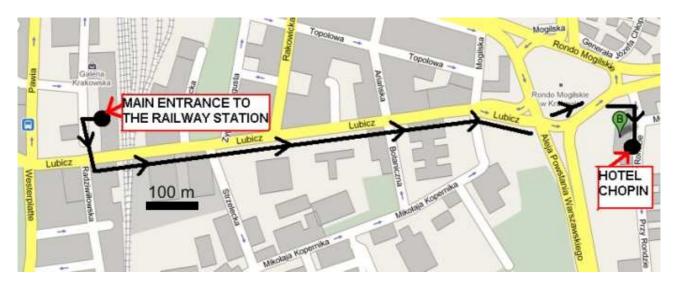
Registration begins on Friday, 18 September 2009, at 11:00 hrs and ends at the beginning of the Photoallergy Meeting (Friday, 15:00 hrs).

More details are given below.



An alternate route from Main Railway Station to the Hotel Chopin on foot

This will be a 20 min walk. The route begins at the main gate of the Railway Station. Follow the **Lubicz street**, at RONDO MOGILSKIE go to the underground passage.



Please wear your badge all the time during the educational programme and during the gettogether dinner (Friday, the Restaurant of the hotel Chopin, next to the lecture halls). You will have to register in order to receive your badge and conference bag with course syllabus, tourist information, etc The registration desk will be at the main entrance of the hotel Chopin, just in front of the lecture hall. Registration begins on Friday, 18 September 2009, at 11:00 hrs and ends at the beginning of the Photoallergy Meeting (Friday, 15:00 hrs). However, our team will be present on-site from 9:00 till end of the Course (Saturday, 15:00 hrs). So, if you are an early or late comer, please don't hesitate to speak to any person with the conference badge with "organizer" (blue strip), and we will be pleased to help you. If you know that you will arrive late, please let us know – knowing with advance help us to better help you on-site.

SIGHTSEEING: GETTING FROM HOTEL CHOPIN TO THE OLD TOWN:

To go to the old town or the main square, you can take the following trams from the stop **RONDO MOGILSKIE:**

- number 4 (direction: BRONOWICE),
- number 10 (direction: ŁAGIEWNIKI),
- number 14 (direction: **BRONOWICE**),
- number 15 (direction: CICHY KACIK),

and take off at the second (DWORZEC GŁÓWNY) or the third stop (BASZTOWA LOT).