### **COMING TO POLAND**

#### Climate:

The average temperature in the middle of September in Warsaw varies from 9°C in the morning to 19°C in the afternoon. Precipitation tends to be moderate, rainy days are not very frequent. The exact weather in September however is quite unpredictable, so it would be advisable to check the weather a few days before the trip. You can check the current weather in Warsaw here: <a href="https://www.accuweather.com/en/pl/warsaw/274663/weather-forecast/274663">https://www.accuweather.com/en/pl/warsaw/274663/weather-forecast/274663</a>

#### Local time:

The local time in September is Central European Summer Time: CEST/GMT+2 hours.

## **Electricity:**

The standard voltage of the electricity in Poland is 230V and the frequency is 50 Hz.

You can use your electric appliances in Poland if the voltage in your country is between 220-240V. The power plug sockets are of type E – this socket also works with plug C and plug F if it has an additional pinhole. You can check if you need to bring a voltage converter or a power plug adapter here: <a href="https://www.power-plugs-sockets.com/poland/">https://www.power-plugs-sockets.com/poland/</a>

### **Currency and payments:**

The local currency in Poland is the *Polish Zloty (PLN)*. It is important to know that except hotels and few tourist-oriented businesses, you cannot use Euros in Poland. You will have no problem using debit or credit cards, including cash withdrawals from the ATMs.

## ARRIVING TO WARSAW

### By plane:

There are two main airports in Warsaw:

Warsaw Chopin Airport – operating all major airlines, located near the city centre

https://www.lotnisko-chopina.pl/en/index.html

It takes about 20-25 minutes to get from the airport to the city centre taking a taxi. We strongly advise you to use licensed taxi services offered at Chopin Airport. Taxi tariffs should be clearly displayed in the car window. The taxi fare from the airport to the city centre is approx. 40 PLN (daytime). The Airport recommendation is Ele taxi. The taxi stand can be found at the arrivals level.



Uber is also an option. You should choose "Uber Airport" option and there is a dedicated Uber pick-up point is also at the arrivals level.

If you decide to use public transportation, you can take a bus (it takes about 30-40 minutes to get from the airport to the city centre). There are a few options: A 175 line will take you to the Warsaw Central Railway Station (stop Dworzec Centralny), 188 and 331 lines will take you to the metro station (stop Metro Politechnika and Metro Wilanowska respectively). If you plan to arrive at night, the nightly bus N32 (runs daily between 23:15-04:50) will take you to the Warsaw Central Railway Station.

#### Modlin Airport – serving for Ryanair

#### https://en.modlinairport.pl/

The airport is further away from the city and transport options are scarce. It takes about 1 hour to get from the airport to the city centre taking a taxi. If you decide to take a bus from the airport, it takes up to 1.5 hrs and there are no direct buses to the city centre. The only options are: a bus to the Warsaw West Bus Station (10 mins by train or 20 mins by bus from the city centre) and a bus to the metro station (Metro Młociny; 20 mins from the city centre). Train ride to the Warsaw Central Railway Station takes about 1.5 hrs and requires taking multiple trains.

### By train:

There are suitable connections to Warsaw from major cities – e. g. Berlin, Vienna, Prague. Information about the connections can be found at the PKP (Polish Railways) website: <a href="https://rozklad.pkp.pl/en">https://rozklad.pkp.pl/en</a> as well as your national railway websites.

If you choose to travel by train, Warsaw Central Railway Station (Warszawa Centralna) should be your destination. It is however important to note that due to the ongoing modernisation of the Warsaw Railway Junction, some trains may omit Warsaw Central – next best option is choosing Warszawa Gdańska station as your destination. This train station is located right next to the metro station (stop Dworzec Gdański) and it takes no more than 10 mins to get to the city centre this way.

## **HOTELS**

Warsaw offers plenty of hotels of various standards and pricing levels. The following hotels are located conveniently with respect to the conference venue and were used for previous SGH events. However you may find numerous other attractive places (hotels or apartments) e.g., using <a href="https://www.booking.com">www.booking.com</a> portal.

MDM Hotel \*\*\* (2.5km walk to the conference venue, easy tram or bus connection)

Konstytucji Square 100-647 Warsaw +48 22 31 82 888, +48 22 33 91 600 hotel.mdm@syrena.com.pl

https://www.hotelmdm.com.pl/

MDM Hotel prepared a special offer for our conference.

For more information, check the <u>reservation form</u>. The special rates are valid till 28.08.2023.

**Novotel** \*\*\*\* (central location, 3.3km walk to the conference venue, easy tram connection)

Marszałkowska 94/98 00-510 Warsaw +48 22 596 00 00 H3383@accor.com https://all.accor.com/hotel/3383/index.en.shtml

**Reytan** \*\*\* (1km walk to the conference venue)

Rejtana 6 02-516 Warsaw +48 22 201 64 00, +48 22 201 64 44 recepcja@hotelreytan.pl https://www.reytan.pl/en/

**Karat** \*\*\* (1.5km walk to the conference venue)

Słoneczna 37 00-789 Warsaw +48 22 601 06 20, +48 504 315 825 karat@cul.com.pl https://karat.cul.com.pl/pl/

### PUBLIC TRANSPORT

The conference venue is easily accessible by public transport. Bus, tram and metro tickets can be purchased at the Newsagent's, ticket machines, metro stations, and most trams and buses. The ticket should be validated as you start your journey in the bus/tram or at the entrance gate to the metro station (https://www.ztm.waw.pl/en/).

There is a useful website that can help you find best connections (beside Google Maps): <a href="https://jakdojade.pl/warszawa/trasa?locale=en">https://jakdojade.pl/warszawa/trasa?locale=en</a>. It is also available as a free app – if you choose this option, you can easily buy tickets suggested by the app given the duration of your journey. Important note: tickets purchased this way need to be validated by scanning the QR code available inside the bus/tram or at the gate to the metro station.

#### Ticket tariff:

Single-fare tickets:		
20-minute	Entitles to an unlimited number of journeys for up to 20 mins	3,40 PLN
ticket	from its validation	
Single-fare 75-	Entitles to an unlimited number of journeys for up to 75 mins	4,40 PLN
minute ticket	from its validation or a single journey to the last stop/station on	
	the route	
Short-term tickets:		
One-day ticket	Entitles to unlimited number of journeys for 24 hrs from its	15 PLN (zone 1)
(24h)	validation	
3-day ticket	Entitles to unlimited number of journeys for 72 hrs from its	36 PLN (zone 1)
(72h)	validation	

Note: some tickets offered may be available in 2 options: zone 1 or zone 1+2. Remember to choose zone 1 when buying short-term tickets unless you choose to stay outside of Warsaw.

# **CONFERENCE VENUE**

The conference will take place at SGH Warsaw School of Economics (Szkoła Główna Handlowa w Warszawie), in the building C, Aula I.

Address of the venue: al. Niepodległości 128, 02-554 Warszawa



### **Building C can be reached:**

- By metro (M1) station Pole Mokotowskie or Racławicka (7 min walk from both)
- By tram lines no. 4, 17,33; stop: Metro Pole Mokotowskie (7 min walk to the venue)
- By bus lines no. 119, 138, 168, 174, 200; stop: Madalińskiego (right in front of the building)

Helpful maps can be found below!





G – SGH Warsaw School of Economics Main Building

C – conference venue – SGH Warsaw School of Economics Building C