“Is a mountain only a huge stone? Is a planet an enormous mountain?”
— Stanisław Lem, Solaris
Why Katowice for IGF?

• Symbol of transformation from the coal mining and industrial city to technological hub and centre of new technologies.

• Already actively involved in cooperation with the UN family:
  ➢ Hosted the COP24 in December 2018 and will host the WUF11 in 2022;
  ➢ Is part of the UNESCO’s Creative Cities Network as the City of Music.

• It is a vibrant, lively, festive and eco-friendly city with many cultural and touristic attractions to offer.

Source: www.katowice.eu

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Katowice – getting there

Perfect location near the intersection of major highways

The proximity of three international airports:
- Katowice Pyrzowice (30 km)
- Kraków-Balice (70 km)
- Ostrava (135 km)

Railway connections:
- 2,5 h from Warsaw
- 4,5 h from Vienna
- 5 h from Prague
- 7,5 h from Berlin

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**Conference venue:**
International Congress Centre (ICC) in Katowice

Source: [www.mckkatowice.pl](http://www.mckkatowice.pl)

- **Logistics:**
  - Ongoing tender to choose the logistics operator
  - Selected hotel operator – Mazurkas
  - Tender for the info-promo – TBA
  - Cooperation with local entities (including Silesian Voivodeship Office, Katowice City Hall, Polish National Radio Symphony Orchestra, Silesian Museum)

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Location of the Hotels
- 5 minutes from the International Congress Centre (ICC) and the Spodek Arena

We have signed the agreement with hotel operator (Mazurkas Travel) – link to the accommodation page at: https://www.gov.pl/web/igf2021-en/getting-to-the-2021-igf2
International Congress Centre (ICC)

practical information / equipment / utilities / services
Conference rooms

- 26 conference rooms
- room area 38-144 m²
- movable walls (marked on red)

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Windy towarowe
/Goods lift

Strefa Restauracyjna
/Restaurant Zone
(dowiedz się więcej)
/click for more

Toalety
/Toilets

Foyer Sal Balowych
/Ballroom Foyer

Hol Dolny
/Lower Lobby
(dowiedz się więcej)
/click for more

Hol Dolny
/Lower Lobby
(dowiedz się więcej)
/click for more

Bistro Emcek

Wyjście Ewakuacyjne
/Emergency Exit

Nawierzchnia Bitumiczna
/Bitumen surface
(Zakaz poruszania się samochodami
/No driving cars)

Level 0

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WORKSHOP ROOMS

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# International Congress Centre – division of rooms

1 plenary/main meeting room, 12 workshop rooms, 10 bilaterals, 1 foodcourt, 1 IGF Village + info

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Safety first – „Blue zone” around the ICC
Why IGF 2021 headline „Internet United”? 

• Internet being a free, undivided and open to all users gathering platform – „virtual agora” is something we are striving for.

• There are many challenges to achieve this goal and no simple answers here.

• The UN SG’s Roadmap for Digital Cooperation puts forward important questions and presents key areas of interest concerning the future of Internet governance.

• 15 years after the first IGF, in the midst of a generation, we set the clock for the next years to come. Poland declares its openness and readiness to bring all communities and interested parties together to jointly find the best way forward.

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Bringing in new communities:
• Youth track,
• Gamers and software developers (hackathon).

Continuing good practices:
• High-level track,
• Parliamentarians.
IGF 2021 youth involvement

- YOUTH IGF Track

- YIGF Summit (in cooperation with NASK),
- Preparations online (YIGF PL),
- Road to IGF 2021: thematic webinars.

Shape the Internet

- International competition „My Internet of the Future” – TBA

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