

Oireachtas & RTME Feis Cracow 2013

Travel & Accommodation Info

Airports and Flights

Cracow has one city airport – Krakow-Balice (KRK) which is served by a number of budget and standard airlines. To check your flight options please visit:

<http://www.flynatic.com>

<http://www.skyscanner.net>

<http://www.krakowairport.pl/en>

Fast train connects the airport with the Krakow Główny station in the city centre. The journey lasts 19 minutes and the ticket is 12PLN (3 Euro) one way/20PLN (5 euro) return. Please check the airport's website for train schedule. The train station is located 200m from the airport and is served by a free shuttle bus departing from outside the main airport building.

Another option is the Katowice–Pyrzowice (KTW) airport, also served with a number of budget airlines. Katowice airport is located 80 km north – west from Cracow, the journey to the city centre takes 90 minutes by bus and costs 88 PLN (20 euro) for return ticket.

<http://www.katowice-airport.com/en>

The Venue

ISTA Feis takes place in Nowohuckie Centrum Kultury (Nowa Huta Culture Centre) in Cracow. You can get there by tram, bus or you can take a taxi. Taxi from the city centre is about 30-40PLN (8-10 Euro)

Address:

Nowohuckie Centrum Kultury (Nowa Huta Culture Centre)

Al. Jana Pawła II 232 near Plac Centralny

31-913 Cracow, Poland

From the city centre take tram no 4 or 15 to Plac Centralny stop (ca. 20 minutes), then walk across the park to the venue.

Accommodation

As the Feis venue is located on the opposite side of the city from the airport, we recommend staying in the centrally located historical city centre and commuting to the venue.

Official Oireachtas hotel

Our official Oireachtas hotel is:

Hotel Ibis Krakow Centrum

ul. Syrokomli 2

30-102 Krakow

Poland

<http://www.ibis.com/gb/hotel-3710-ibis-krakow-centrum/index.shtml>

The Hotel Ibis Kraków Centrum is situated, on the bank of Vistula and overlooks Wawel Royal Castle and Vistula Boulevards. Located in the city center, 14 km from the Balice airport, 1,5 km from the main train station the hotel is within 10-minutes walk from the Old Square and Kazimierz district. The hotel has 175 spacious and modern rooms with air-conditioning and free WIFI. There is an on-site secure car park.

For all Oireachtas and Feis participants, teachers, families and friends hotel prepared a special rate:

243PLN(57 Euro) for double/twin room including breakfast.

To get the special Oireachtas price you need to enter the password "Irish dance" during the booking process. The discounted price is available until Friday, 20th September.

Also the Ibis & Ibis Budget Krakow Stare Miasto (both located in the city centre, next to the train station) prepared special offer for all Oireachtas & Feis participants. The special price is available for "Irish dance" password.

Other options:

Cracow offers a huge choice of hotels or hostels located in the Main Square area or nearby, allowing visitors to combine their feis activities with sightseeing and shopping. For hotel and hostel reviews please visit:

www.hostelworld.com

over 120 hostels in Cracow, prices starts from 5 Euro per night

www.booking.com

over 400 hotels in Cracow, from budget to five star hotels, good prices available.

Budget Accommodation

For our budget conscious competitors we have also prepared a number of basic accommodation places at the venue itself (sleeping on the floor, your own sleeping bags and mats). These places can be booked by teachers in September. Please watch the website for announcements.

Travel Links

Cracow - the official website

<http://www.krakow.pl/en/>

Cracow in Wikipedia

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cracow>

Cracow Airport- the official website

http://www.lotnisko-balice.pl/strona_en.html

Cracow Airport - how to get there by train, bus or taxi

<http://www.krakowairport.pl/en/60/4/176/Access-to-the-airport>

Katowice Airport – the official website

<http://www.katowice-airport.com/en>

Katowice Airport - how to get there by train, bus or taxi

<http://www.katowice-airport.com/en/passengers/access>

PKP - Polish railways

<http://www.pkp.pl>

MPK Kraków - public transport system (in Polish)

<http://www.mpk.krakow.pl/>

MPT Radio Taxi (+48 12 9663) – rent a cab or a bus

<http://radiotaximpt.krakow.pl/>

In Your Pocket - Cracow guides and reviews

<http://www.inyourpocket.com/poland/city/krakow.html>

Wieliczka - the famous salt mines

http://www.kopalnia.pl/home.php?action=&id_language=2&

XE – Currency Exchange. Polish currency is Polish zloty (PLN)

<http://www.xe.com>