

Fourth Warsaw Seminar on the Concepts of General Domestic Remedy and the Simplified Procedure for Amending the Convention in the post-Interlaken process

Practical information

Warsaw, 9-10 September 2010

Venue:

The seminar will take place in Warsaw in the National School of Public Administration – KSAP (Wawelska Str. 56, Warsaw, Poland; bus station: Stadium Skra). For a map, please consult below.

In line with the historical and legal background, the National School of Public Administration is tasked by the Polish state, and in particular the Prime Minister of the day as School patron, to train and prepare for their public duties the members of Poland's Civil Service Corps in particular, and the cadre of higher-ranking officials in the country's administration in general. The aim is that these should be politically neutral, competent and accountable for the matters conferred upon them.

This mission is served through:

- intensive postgraduate training of the National School's own students,
- continuing training of those already employed in the administration,
- the devising of programmes for, and provision of all kinds of training to, the public administration,
- cooperation with the administration, with higher education establishments and other institutions, and with organisations of relevant profile at home and abroad.

In the sphere of public administration, the new Polish state decided to aim for a clear distinction being drawn between politicians on the one hand and civil servants on the other (with the worlds of business, the judiciary, etc. being yet other distinct entities). At the same time, Poland also opted for the approach pioneered post-War by France's renowned École Nationale d'Administration – here in each case were states wishing to make a break with their past through the establishment of institutions of impeccable reputation that could train a cadre of high-level, politically-neutral, competent and accountable administrators fully reflecting the makeup – and meeting the needs – of a new state and its people. And so it was that – as early as in May 1990 (but still, alas, 45 years later than its French counterpart) – the government of Tadeusz Mazowiecki took the decision to establish Krajowa Szkoła Administracji Publicznej (the National School of Public Administration) in Warsaw. It was nevertheless the first institution of its kind in any of the old Eastern Bloc countries.

The decision was followed by a flurry of activity. To provide a firm legal basis for all of KSAP's work, the National School of Public Administration Act of June 14th 1991 was passed. A Statute detailing organisation, scope of activity, rights and responsibilities followed in the August, being conferred upon the School under the above Act by Poland's Chairman of the Council of Ministers (i.e. Prime Minister). Everything was thus in place for the opening of the institution on September 2nd 1991, and its work continues to this day in accordance with amended versions of the Act and Statute, as well as further Regulations of the Chairman of the Council of Ministers.

Arrival and accommodation (list of proposals):

The venue of the Seminar is close to the centre of Warsaw, at Wawelska 56, in Warsaw's Ochota district, at the crossroads of Żwirki i Wigury and Wawelska Street, around 10-15 minutes' easy drive from Warsaw's Frederic Chopin International Airport to the north, and from the city centre to the south. It's near the bus stop of line connecting the Airport and the Centre of the City (bus number 175).

A taxi from the airport to the indicated hotels costs approximately 30 PLN. A single bus ticket, available in every kiosk, 2.80 PLN.

We suggest four hotels located in a walking distance from the venue of the Seminar (ca. 7 minutes) but at the same time on the line of the bus number 175 (bus stop: Plac Zawiszy): Hotel Jan III Sobieski, Hotel Kyriad Prestige, Hotel Campanille and Hotel Premiere Classe.

	hotel	category	single room	address
1	Jan III Sobieski Hotel	****	from 105 € (incl. breakfast)	Plac Artura Zawiszy 1, Warsaw Tel.: +48 22 579 10 25-27 Fax: +48 22 659 88 28 email: rezerwacja@sobieski.com.pl www.sobieski.com.pl
2	Kyriad Prestige	***	399 PLN (+ 45 PLN breakfast)	ul. Towarowa 2, Warsaw, Tel: +48 (022) 582 75 00 Fax: +48 (022) 582 75 01 email: warszawa@kyriadprestige.com.pl www.campanile.com.pl
3	Campanille	**	299 PLN (+ 32 PLN breakfast)	ul. Towarowa 2, Warsaw Tel: +48 (022) 582 72 00 Fax: +48 (022) 582 72 01 email: warszawa@campanile.com.pl www.campanile.com.pl
4	Premiere Classe	*	199 PLN (+ 20 PLN breakfast)	Towarowa 2, Warsaw Tel: +48 (022) 624 08 00 Fax: +48 (022) 620 26 29 email: warszawa@premiereclasse.com.pl www.campanile.com.pl

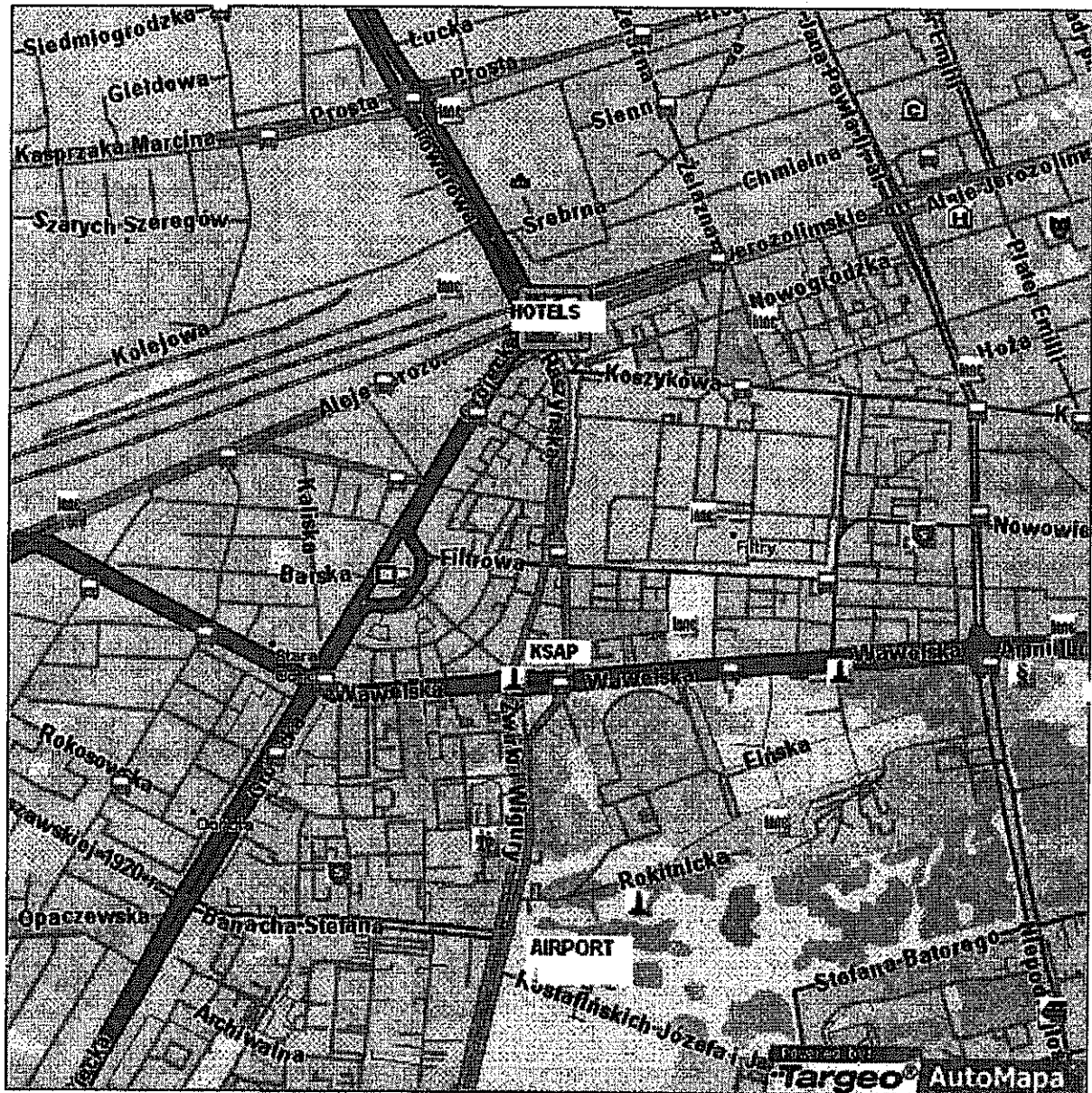
All prices quoted are per day, including taxes

Hotel Jan III Sobieski

Belonging to the Vienna International Hotels & Resorts Chain.

Hotel Complex Kyriad Prestige, Campanille, Premiere Classe

Belonging to the Louvre Hotels Chain.



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Cafeteria:

Lunch is not provided but will be available in the School cafeteria which offers wide selection of dishes at reasonable prices.

Prices : 15 – 20 PLN (ca. 4 – 5 EUR – price is based on the average cost of a two-course dinner)

Hours: 07:30 AM - 16:00 PM Daily

Payment Options: cash only (Polish currency)

Currency rates:

1 Euro = 4,1 PLN (Polish zloty)