

Ninth International Symposium on Hazards, Prevention and Mitigation of Industrial Explosions

**(IX ISHPMIE)
Cracow, 22-27 July 2012**

1. General information.

You are invited to the Royal City of Cracow (in Polish: *Krakow*) for the 9th International Symposium of Hazards, Prevention and Mitigation of Industrial Explosions (9th ISHPMIE) between 22 and 27 July 2012. Roots of the Symposium reach far into the past. ISHPMIE was founded in 1996 as a joined meeting of Dust Explosion Colloquia (Baranow 1984, Jadwisin 1986, Szczyrk 1988, Porąbka – Kozubnik 1990, Pułtusk 1993, Shenyang 1994) and Specialists Meeting on Fuel-Air Explosions (Montreal, 1981). The first ISHPMIE was organized in 1996 in Bergen, then it was followed by meetings in Schaumburg (1998), Tsukuba (2000), Bourges (2002), Cracow (2004), Halifax (2006), St. Petersburg (2008), Yokohama (2010). Now the Symposium is coming back to Cracow.

Why the same city for a second time? First of all, Cracow is an exceptional city. It is the second largest and one of the oldest cities in Poland. Situated on the Vistula River (Polish: *Wisła*), the city dates back to the 7th century

Second, Cracow has traditionally been one of the leading centers of Polish academic, cultural, and artistic life and is one of Poland's most important economic centers. It was the capital of Poland from 1038 to 1596. Cracow was never destroyed, still has an original medieval center. Cracow is full of tourists the whole year long. The venue for the ISHPMIE will be Collegium Novum, the 18th century building of the Jagiellonian University (see link Venue).

2. Scope of the Conference.

The scope of the conference problems is as follows:

- ignition;
- flame propagation;
- gases, dust, vapors explosiveness;
- deflagrations and DDT;
- detonations of gases, dusts, vapors;
- kinetics of chemicals reactions;
- formation of explosive mixtures in industrial conditions;
- blast waves;
- explosion prevention techniques and means;
- explosion mitigation /protection techniques and means;
- explosion risk assessment methods;
- explosion/ consequences analysis;
- case studies;
- standards and regulations;
- hydrogen safety.

Local Organizing Committee:

Chairman: Assoc. Prof. Krzysztof Cybulski
Prof. Kazimierz Lebecki
Zdzisław Dyduch, Ph.D.
Stefan Targos
Małgorzata Zielińska
Mariusz Borek
Magda Rajkowska

4. Registration and conference fee.

Please register your participation up till 15th June 2012 via registration form available at the Conference website: http://www.ishpmie.gig.eu/eng/a865/General_Information.html

Conference fee: **800 USD / 600 euro**

For Students and accompanying persons: **400 USD / 300 euro**

Conference fee should be paid by bank transfer to:

Account holder: Główny Instytut Górnictwa
Plac Gwarków 1, 40-166 Katowice
Poland

Bank: ING Bank Śląski SA
Oddział Katowice
ul. Mickiewicza 3, 40-092 Katowice
Poland

SWIFT: BREXPLPWKAT
IBAN: PL69105012141000002279724682
account no.: 69 1050 1214 1000 0022 7972 4682

Please put down the information “Conference fee – IX ISHPMIE (name and surname of the participant, name of the organisation)”

Conference fee **DOES NOT INCLUDE** accommodation costs.

5. Submission of the papers.

Abstracts of the papers not longer than one A4 page should be sent up till 15th February 2012.

Papers should be submitted up till 15th May 2012 to:
kazimierz.lebecki@gmail.com

6. Conference trips.

During the conference facultative trip will be organized on 25th July 2012. We are going to take you to Pieniny Mountains for rafting on Dunajec river. Here you can learn more about the river, its surroundings and rafting: <http://flisacy.com.pl/>

If you are interested in this trip, please let us know by checking right place at the registration form.

7. Accomodation

As far as accomodation is concerned, you can choose among uncountable number of hotels in Cracow. We can recommend you few of them:

- Sheraton – nearby Wawel Castle and Vistula River

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

- Radisson Blu – very close to the venue of the conference

www.radissonblu.com/hotel-cracow

- Ostoya Palace

www.ostoyapalace.pl

- Fortuna Hotel

www.hotel-fortuna.com.pl

8. Travel and climate information

a) Visa

Poland is a member of the European Union. Visa is required for citizens of countries that do not have visa-exempt agreements with Poland. Please contact the nearest Polish Embassy or Consulate for visa requirements.

Click here to find a list of the countries which do not require a visa to Poland: <http://www.msz.gov.pl/Countries,which,citizens,are,not,required,to,have,a,visa,when,entering,Poland,2347.html>

b) Travel

Cracow is very well communicated with many airports in the world. It is also within a short travel distance by train or by car.

c) Climate

The Conference takes place in the middle of summer. You can expect hot weather during the day (up to 30°C) and warm nights, but cold, rain and storm can also occur.

9. Contact.

All the questions, hesitations and remarks please direct to:

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