

PhiLang2017 Travel Tips

On the way to Łódź

The most convenient way of traveling to Łódź is by plane. [Łodz Wladyslaw Reymont Airport \(LCJ\)](#) has direct flight connections with Dublin, East Midlands, London Stansted and Munich.

You can also fly to [Warsaw Chopin Airport \(WAW\)](#) and take the train from **Warszawa Zachodnia** to **Łódź Fabryczna**. *Szybka Kolej Miejska – SKM* (Fast Urban Railway) will take you from the airport to **Warszawa Zachodnia** (*Warsaw West*). Then, transfer to a long-distance train to Łódź. Train schedules can be found [here](#).

Another international destination is [Warsaw Modlin Airport \(WMI\)](#), a hub for low-cost flights to and from Poland. Flights to Modlin are available from **most EU countries**. [Modlin Bus](#) provides a direct coach connection to Łódź.

A number of European coach lines provide access to Łódź. Please visit the websites of carriers such as [Sindbad](#), [PolskiBus](#) or [Euro Lines](#) for more details.

While in Łódź

Information on the public transportation system in Łódź can be found at [Łodz Public Transport](#).

If you want to use the public transportation services (buses and trams), you should buy and validate a ticket. Please keep the validated tickets with you, as the ticket inspectors might want to see them. Tickets can be purchased at most newsstands. You will find ticketing machines on board all trams (always in the first car!) and most buses. The only means of buying tickets on board is a credit/debit card. The tickets bought on board must be validated immediately after the purchase.

Most taxi cabs ARE NOT equipped with a credit card terminal, so be prepared to pay in cash.

Getting to the conference venue at Pomorska 171/173

From **Łódź Fabryczna** railway/coach station take the **12A /12B tram** (direction **Radiostacja** or **Stoki**). Get off at the stop **Radiostacja**. The trip takes ca 12 minutes, so you may purchase a 20-minute fare for 2.80 PLN (ca 0.65 EUR).

From Łódź Władysław Reymont airport you may take the **88A bus** to **Łódź Fabryczna** and transfer to the 12A/12B tram (direction **Radiostacja** or **Stoki**). The trip takes 45-50 minutes, you will need to purchase a 60-minute fare for 4.40 PLN (ca 1 EUR). An alternative is a taxi (20 minutes, ca 10 EUR).

Before the trip

Make sure that you have some cash. Polish currency (złoty, abbreviated as PLN) can be purchased in one of many exchange offices (“Kantor”) in the city. Credit/debit cards are accepted in most supermarkets, pharmacies and restaurants. Almost all terminals are capable of handling NFC payments.

Here are some apps that should help you navigate around Łódź. All of them are available in English: if you are planning to arrive in Łódź by train, you may download the Polish Railway travel planner **Bilkom** (available in [Google Play](#), [iTunes](#) and [Windows Store](#)).

It might be a good idea to download offline maps to your mobile phone. Most GPS apps have the offline navigation functionality these days. The one we recommend is **HERE** maps (Google Play, Windows Store, and iTunes), but the choice is yours.