



Wroclaw announced as host city for XV Congress of the European Association of Thermology, 1st - 4th September 2021

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The European Association of Thermology is delighted to announce that the XV Congress of the EAT will take place 1st - 4th September 2021 in the beautiful city of Wroclaw in Poland. This sees the EAT Congress return to eastern Europe after our recent very successful visits to Portugal (2012), Spain (2015) and London (2018).

Our venue will be the Faculty of Biology and Animal Science at the prestigious Wroclaw University of Environmental and Life Sciences, where longstanding EAT member Dr. Maria Soroko is a Research Associate and Lecturer.

About the city

Wroclaw lies on the banks of the River Oder in western Poland, and is the capital of the Lower Silesian Vovoideship. It was the European Capital of Culture in 2016, and won the "European Best Destination" title in 2018.

Notable landmarks include the 10th century Cathedral, the Centennial Hall from 1913 (registered as a UNESCO World Heritage Site), and the distinctive architecture of the Town Hall and Market Square. Wroclaw is also host to the Raclawice Panorama, a 114m-long cycloramic painting from 1894, commemorating the 100th anniversary of the Battle of Raclawice.

In recent years Wroclaw has also become well-known for its "little people" or "dwarves": small figurines scattered across the city streets which were first conceived as part of the city's anti-communist movement in 2005. These now



number more than 350, and can be located with the help of a dedicated tourist map.



Wrocław Zoo, close to our congress venue, is the oldest zoo in Poland, and the third largest zoological gardens in the world in terms of the number of species on display.

In summertime, large numbers of visitors are attracted at night to Wrocław's "Multimedia Fountain" close to the Centennial Hall. This is one of the largest operating fountains in Europe, and stages dramatic light shows set to music. We will have the opportunity to visit this spectacle as part of the congress social programme.

Wrocław has excellent road and rail transport connections, and is served by Copernicus Airport, situated just 10km from the city centre.

About the congress venue

Wrocław University of Environmental and Life Sciences has its origins in the University of Breslau Institute of Agriculture, which opened on Mattiaplatz in 1881. The Institute moved to Hansastrasse in 1923, which remains the main building of the university to this day. Higher education in Wrocław was entirely restructured in 1945 to form the State University and Polytechnic. After 1951, the School of Agriculture was separated from these establishments to become a distinct university, finally adopting its current title in 2006. The university is currently the place of education for around 13,000 students.

Our congress venue is the Faculty of Biology and Animal Science on Chelmonskiego in the eastern suburbs of Wrocław. The Faculty building boasts excellent conference facilities including a large lecture theatre, ample lobby space for networking and poster presentations, and a spacious restaurant for lunch breaks. This is the perfect environment for delegates to present their thermological research at Europe's flagship biomedical temperature congress.

A formal "first announcement" with further information will be distributed in January 2020. The congress "Call for Abstracts" will be published in July, with abstract submission closing on 31st December 2020.

It will be our pleasure to welcome you to the XV Congress of the EAT and Poland's best-kept secret: historic Wrocław! Save the date - and see you all in September 2021!

