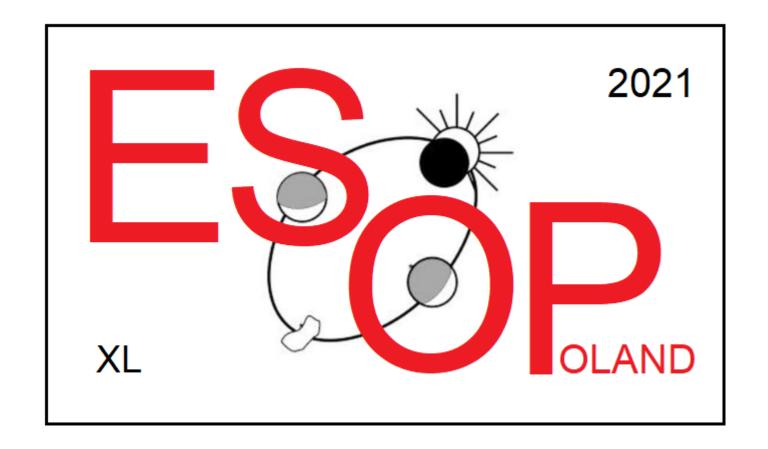
## Announcing XL ESOP in Białystok, Aug 27-31, 2021



#### Which formula?

Please remember that, like this year, the XL ESOP stationary Symposium on 27-31 Aug, 2021 will depend on the current epidemic situation in the world, and in particular on local authority guidelines for meetings and assemblies.



#### **Previous ESOPs in Poland**

V ESOP – Warszawa. Aug 29 – Sep 2, 1986

XIII ESOP - Kraków. Aug 12-17, 1994

XIX ESOP – Łodź. 25-30 Aug, 2000

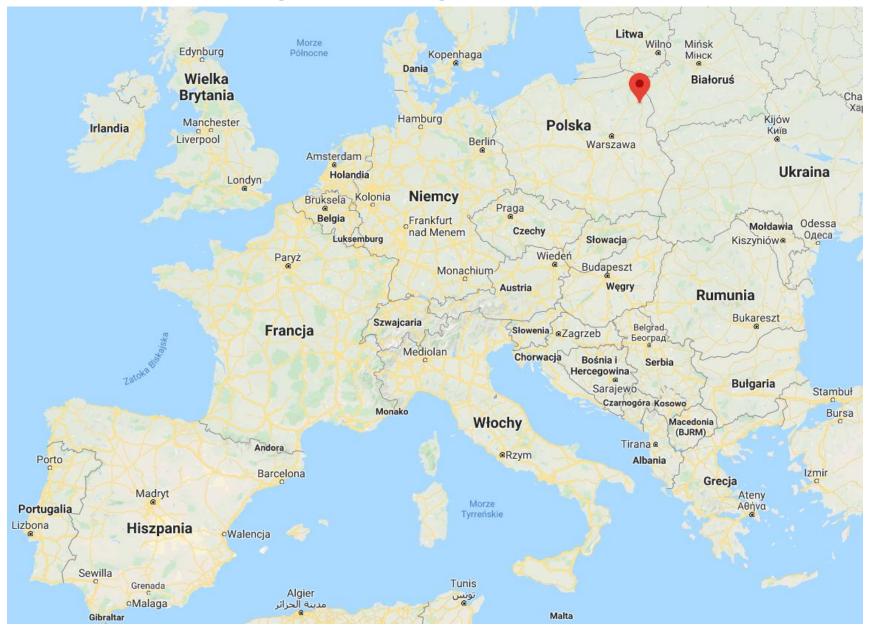
XXVII ESOP - Niepołomice . Aug 28-30, 2009



Niepolomice Royal Castle, 2009

XL ESOP – Extra Large ESOP? – let's try reaching more than 114 people (Aug 29, 20)

### The City of Białystok - location



#### The City of Białystok

"Bialystok with its nearly 300 000 inhabitans, is the biggest city of north-eastern Poland and the capital of Podlasian Province.

It plays a role of administrative, scientific, economic and cultural centre of this part of Poland. Podlasie region is called "The Green Lungs of Poland" – it is ecologically clean and full of tourist attractions.

4 national parks and three landscape parks are located within the city.

Bialystok has been ranked number 1 as the best Polish city to live in!
It specific character has been shaped by the coexistence of many nations, religions, cultures, customs and traditions.

Bialystok is a trans-regional academic and scientific centre. About 40 000 young people are studying at various academic institutions.

The University of Bialystok has the largest student population of 12 000".

#### The City of Białystok

#### **Interesting facts about Bialystok:**

- 32% of the city constitutes the green areas "green city"
- the Branicki's` palace resides in the heart of the city
- Ludwik Zamenhof creator of international language (Esperanto) was born here

#### **Bialystok is located only:**

- 1 hour car ride to Lake District (Augustów)
- 1 hour car ride to Belarus (Grodno)
- 2 hours by IC train to Warsaw (the capital of Poland) -the closest civil int. airport
- 3 hour car ride to Lithuania (Kaunas)
- 5 hour by train to the seaside (Gdańsk)
- 6 hour by train to the mountains (Tatra mountians)

Bialystok is a lovely city with many sightseeing possibilities and a great place for living and studying.

Information about The City of Białystok comes from the University of Bialystok website.

## The City of Białystok – city center



## The City of Białystok – Branickis Palace

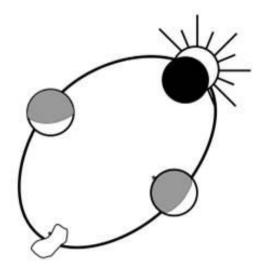


#### **LOC - The Local Organizing Committee**



#### **Polskie Towarzystwo** Miłośników E PUR SI MUOVE Astronomii

**Polish Amateur Astronomers Society** 





**Polish Amateur Astronomers Society** - Białystok Branch

**Occultation Section of PAAS** 

### **Host place - The University of Białystok**

**Physics Faculty of The University of Białystok (on left)** 



#### **Host place - Lecture hall of Physics Faculty**



Capacity: 120 people

(C) Phisics Faculty of the University of Białystok

#### **Host place - The University of Białystok**

The Astronomical Observatory of the University of Białystok



Works still in progress - equipment assembly stage (Aug, 2020), 50-cm telescope soon

## Additional trips? - Białowieża Primeval Forest, bisons ... and much more....



# See you soon in Białystok! ...and Podlaskie Region ©

















