

TransParcNet Meeting 2025

Managing Overtourism: Balancing Conservation and Visitor Pressure in Transboundary Areas

Location: Karkonosze/Krkonose NPs; Jelenia Góra - Sobieszow - Nature and Education Center of the Karkonosze National Park, Poland.

Dates: 9-13 June 2025.

INVITATION TO KARKONOSZE MOUNTAINS

Dear TransParcNet Colleagues,

Dear Guests,

We kindly invite you to the TransParcNet meeting, taking place from June 9th to June 13th, 2025, in the Transboundary Area of the Krkonoše Mountains (Czech Republic) and Karkonosze Mountains (Poland).

This year's theme of the meeting is:

Managing Overtourism: Balancing Conservation and Visitor Pressure in Transboundary Areas.

Managing overtourism requires strategies that balance tourist activities with the preservation of the environment, local culture, and residents' quality of life. Collaborating with stakeholders—such as local governments, tourism businesses, and non-governmental organizations (NGOs)—can lead to a comprehensive approach to sustainable tourism management. Additionally, Transboundary Protected Areas can cooperate to address issues arising from tourism pressure.

The topics mentioned will be explored through plenary sessions and workshops. Additionally, field working sessions will be held in the breathtaking Karkonosze Mountains, including a visit to Mt. Śnieżka, the highest and most popular peak in the Sudetes.

We also hope to discuss in a friendly and informal atmosphere during the evenings. As in previous years, we will host a traditional cultural evening with specialties from your countries or regions. We will enjoy an evening filled with local music as well.

Please find attached a draft of the program along with practical information. Further details will be sent to participants in the upcoming weeks.

We look forward to meeting you all in the Karkonosze Mountains!

DRAFT PROGRAMME

MONDAY, JUNE 9	
16.00	Arrival and registration at Concordia Hotel
19.00	Ice Breaker evening with regional specialties Presentation of KPN and KRAP transboundary cooperation
TUESDAY, JUNE 10	
OPENING AND PLENARY SESSION	
8.00 – 9.00	Conference registration at Nature Education Center - Sobieszów
9.00 – 9.30	Opening session
9.30 – 13.00	Plenary session
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch
14.00 – 17.00	Workshop session
19.00	Dinner at Concordia Hotel Get-together evening with local music
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11	
FIELD WORKSHOPS	
9.00 – 17.00	Group 1: Karkonoska Pass area Group 2: Szrenica Mt. and Jakuszyce area. Lunch and field workshop summary in mountain hut.
19.00	Dinner at Concordia Hotel Sharing experiences and findings from field workshops Get-together evening with local music
THURSDAY, JUNE 12	
FIELD TRIP	
9.00 – 14.00	Śnieżka Mountain Lucni Bouda – TransParcNet Meeting summary and farewell lunch
FRIDAY, JUNE 13	
DEPARTURE DAY	

Registration will begin on **March 5, 2025**, using a dedicated form.

The participation fee is **€370** per person and covers shuttle transport to KPN (**by bus**), **lunches, dinners, and meeting materials.**

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

VENUE

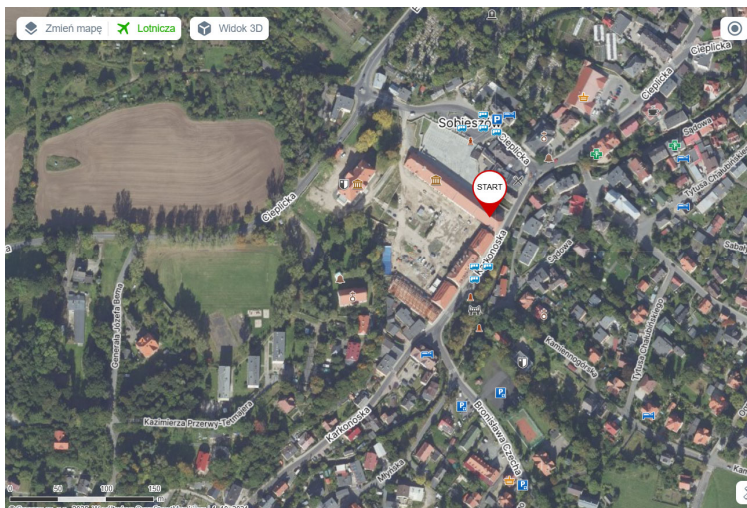
The TransParcNet-Meeting will take place at the *Nature and Education Centre of Karkonosze National Park – Sobieszów Palace.*, Cieplicka 196a, 58-570 Jelenia Góra; <https://kpn.gov.pl/cpe>.

Venue belongs to Karkonosze National Park and is a newly renovated historical manor-palace complex from the 18th/19th century, now being adjusted for educational purposes and organisation of events and expositions.

The venue has:

- conference room for approximately 150 people
- 2 smaller workshop rooms for 34 and 40 people
- parking with the capacity for 36 cars, 5 buses and 2 spots for people with disabilities

Address: Cieplicka 196 / Karkonoska 3/4, 58-570 Jelenia Góra, Polska [Location](#): 50.8461581N, 15.6417125E



ACCOMODATION - CONCORDIA HOTEL IN ZACHEŁMIE

Address: Podgórzyn 58-562, Zachełmie 68 ab

GPS Coordinates: 50.81695292731311, 15.622268728267259 <https://hotelconcordia.pl/>

The Concordia Hotel is 7 km from the Nature and Education Center in Sobieszów. A shuttle bus from the hotel to the meeting venue will be provided

Room Rates Bed & Breakfast:

- for 2/3/4 Person Room: €50 per person/day
- Single Room (limited accessibility): €60 per person/day

Participants are responsible for paying for their hotel rooms. The organizers will assist with the reservation process.

HOW TO ARRIVE

By plane - Participants can fly into Wrocław Airport (<https://airport.wroclaw.pl/>) in Poland or Prague Airport (<https://www.prg.aero/en#/>) in the Czech Republic. Shuttle buses will be provided from both Wrocław and Prague to the Concordia Hotel

For those unable to take the shuttle:

From Wrocław Airport: bus 106 from Wrocław Airport to the Wrocław Main Railway Station, next train or bus to Jelenia Góra Sobieszów;

You can search for buses/trains connections using [this website](#):

By train - train station Jelenia Góra Sobieszów, approx. 2,5 hours from Wrocław Main Railway Station; next 10 minutes walk to Sobieszów Palace. In total around 3 h from Wrocław ([Itinerary](#)).

By Bus - bus from Wrocław Bus Station (ul. Sucha 1/11) to Jelenia Góra Bus Station (ul. Obrońców Pokoju 1B) [Itinerary](#). then from the bus stop Podwale (on the right from Galeria Nowy Rynek) to [Jelenia Góra Sobieszów bus stop](#) ; In Total around 3 h from Wrocław

By car - National road no. 3, turn to Sobieszów in Piechowice - Pakoszów, Palace is 3,6 km from the road. [Itinerary](#):