

Velostradas and Industrial Monuments Route in GZM

System of fast cycling routes which helps to promote cycling tourism





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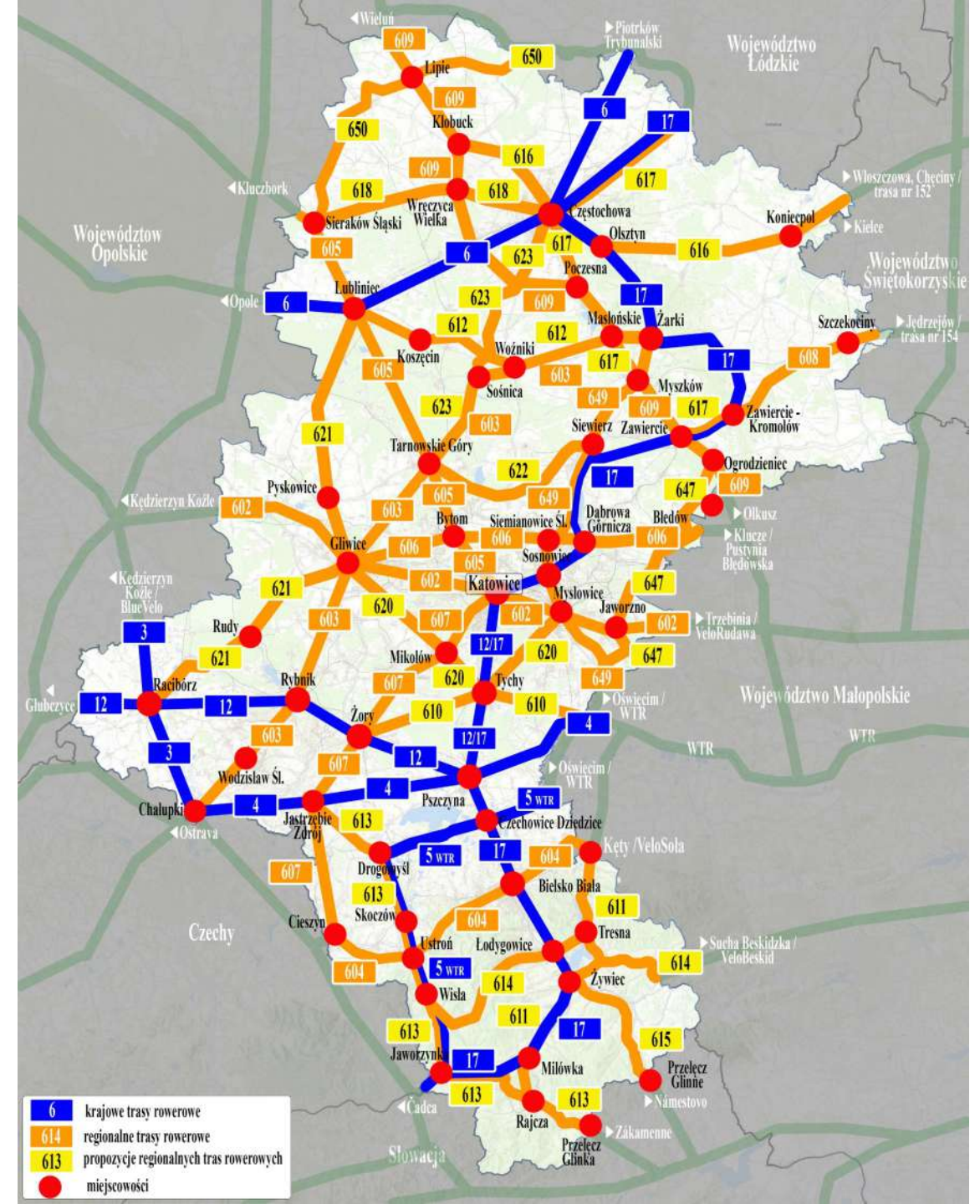


Metropolis GZM – first Polish metropolis

- 41 cities
- Area of 2,5 tys. km sqr.
- 2,1 mln inhabitants,
- circa 8 % of Polish Gross Domestic Product

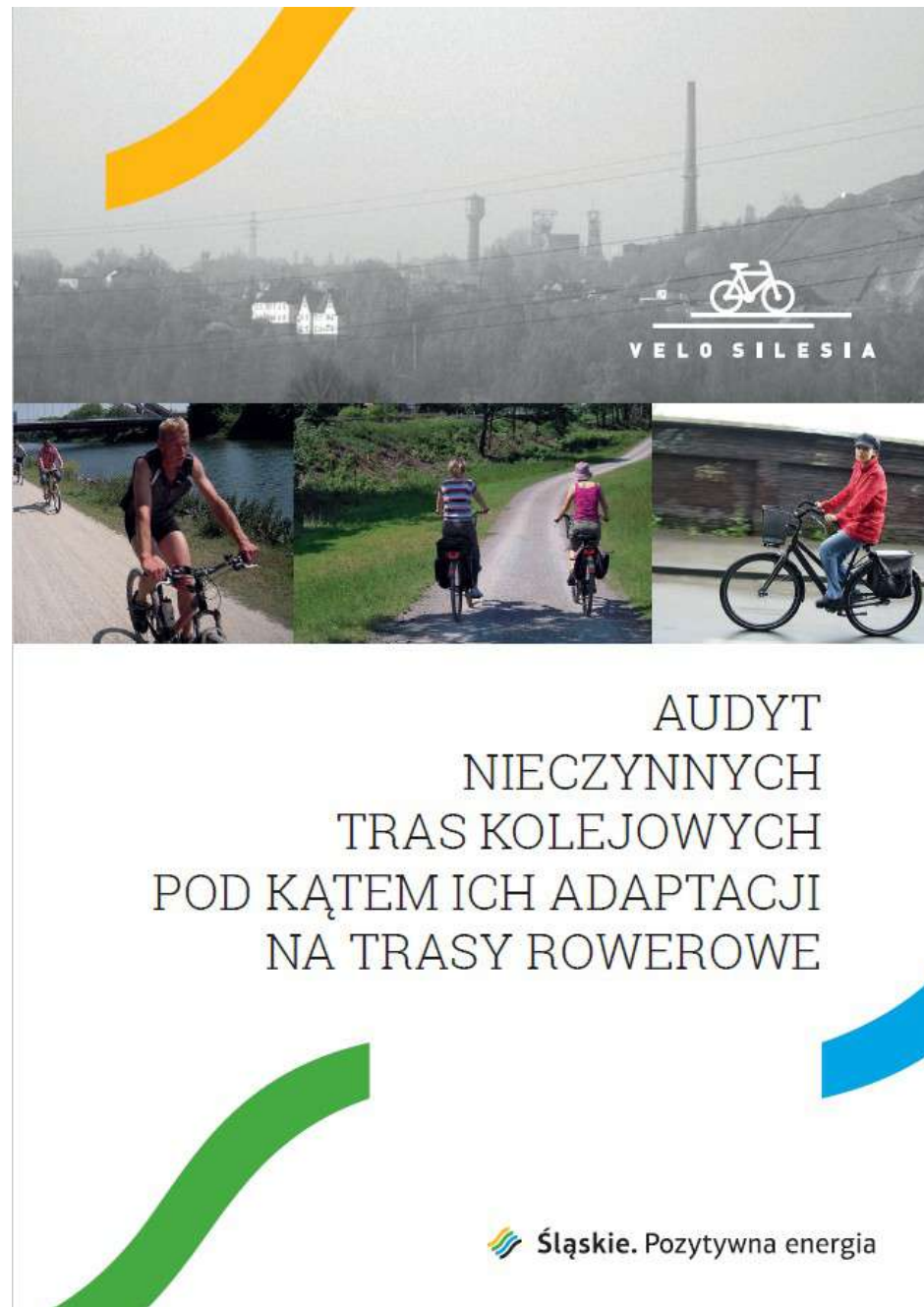
Silesian Regional Cycling Routes

- 4 subregions
- 30 cycling routes
- 6 national routes
- Eurovelo 4 „Central Europe Route”
- Approximately: 2409 km



Audit of unused railway tracks in GZM

- Done in 2016.
- 16 railway tracks inspected
- EuroVelo 15 – Rhine Cycle Route was an inspiration: *Cycling along EuroVelo 15 is a great way to discover the region's rich industrial heritage, from iconic steelworks to historical factories transformed into museums.*
- Industrial Monuments Route should be part of it!



Traveling in Metropolis GZM

Well-organized public transport is the basis for the functioning of Metropolis GZM, which is inhabited by 2.1 million people.

- more than 1,700 public transport vehicles, with approximately 7000 stops
- each year at least 100 million kilometres, which means they could circle the equator 2,500 times!
- free travel for children up to 16 years of age
- four metropolitan airport routes since 2018 (same ticket as for the city – unique approach)
- launch of the METROTICKET (June 2019) - a joint offer integrating all means of public transport: buses, trams, trolleybuses and local trains

Metrobike -traveling on bici in the Metropolis GZM

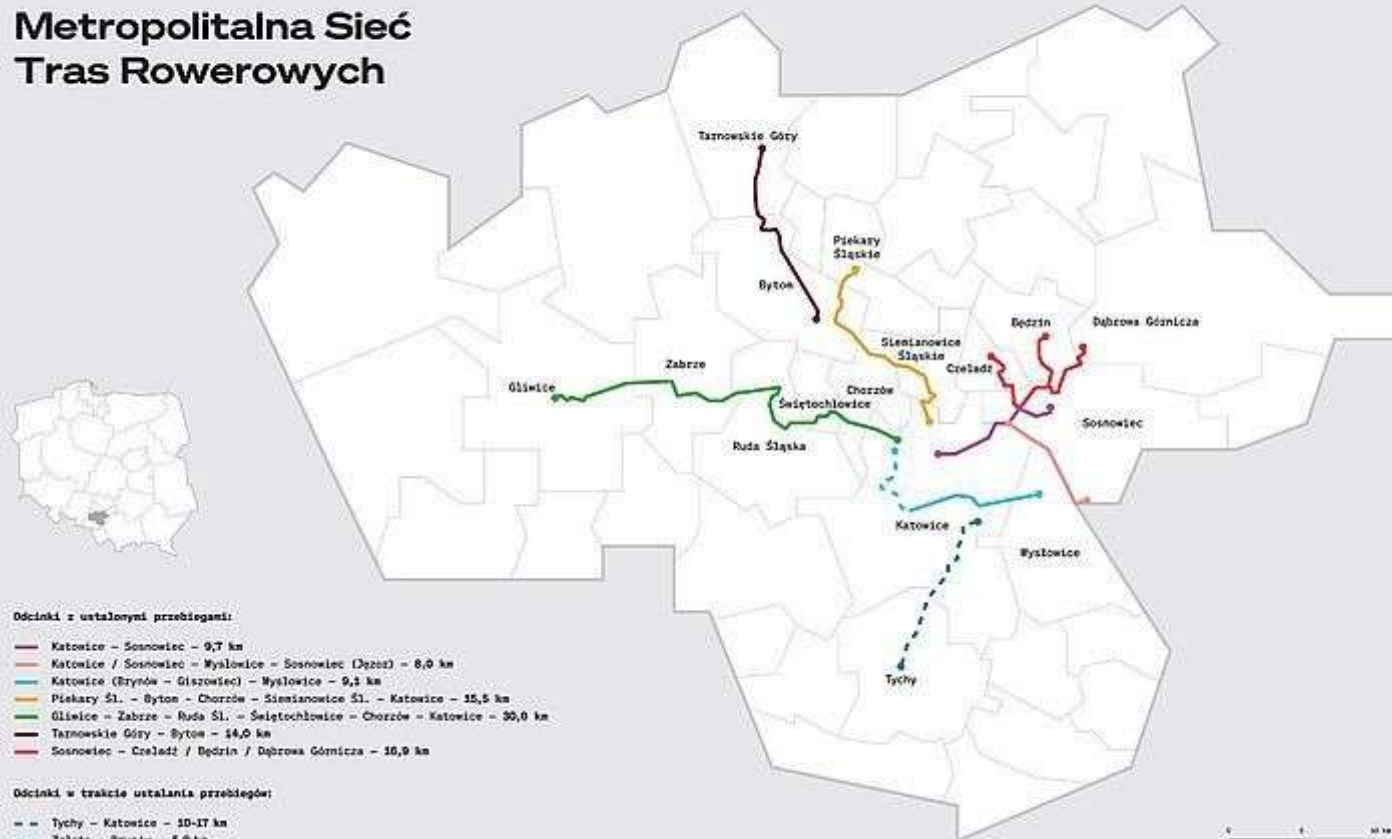
- System combines of 7000 urban bikes and 924 parking stations
- 1,2 mln rentals in 2025 - the largest system in Poland (bikewise)
- In 2024 Metropolis GZM introduced „The Metrobike” - an electric bike rental service for urban travel - 250 bikes available for monthly rental. Prices starts at €25/month



Velostradas in GZM Metropolis

Velostrady GZM

Metropolitalna Sieć Tras Rowerowych



- 9 cycling routes
- At least 120 km in planning and soon in development (finish 2029)
- Budget around 20 million euro
- 4,5 km done in Katowice (capitol of the Silesia Region)
- More then 200K riders who passed velostrada in Katowice in one year!
- „Gamechanger” for the city!

Velostrada in Katowice



Source: <https://www.katowice.eu/>



<https://katowice.wyborcza.pl/>

Industrial Monuments Route



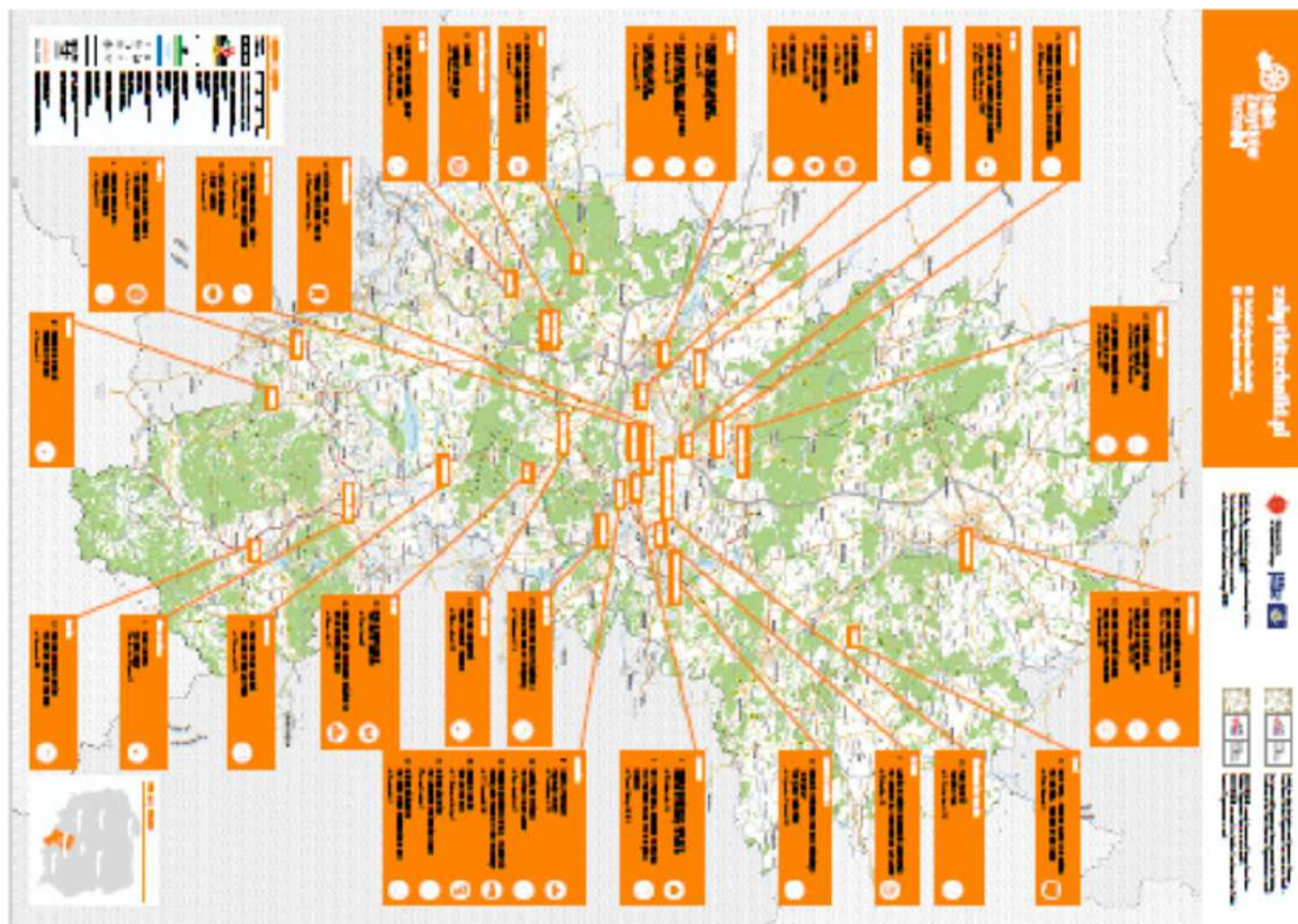
Member

European Route
of Industrial Heritage

- The Industrial Monuments Route is a member of the European Route of Industrial Heritage (ERIH).
- More than 40 places
- **Industriada** – The Festival of Industrial Monuments Route

Industriada is the biggest Industrial Heritage Festival in Central and Eastern Europe since 2010. More details can be found on www.industriada.pl

Visiting Industrial Monuments Route



Silver Mine and Black Trout Adit (Tarnowskie Góry)



- It is the only site in the Metropolis GZM and one of only seventeen in Poland to be included on the **UNESCO World Heritage List**.

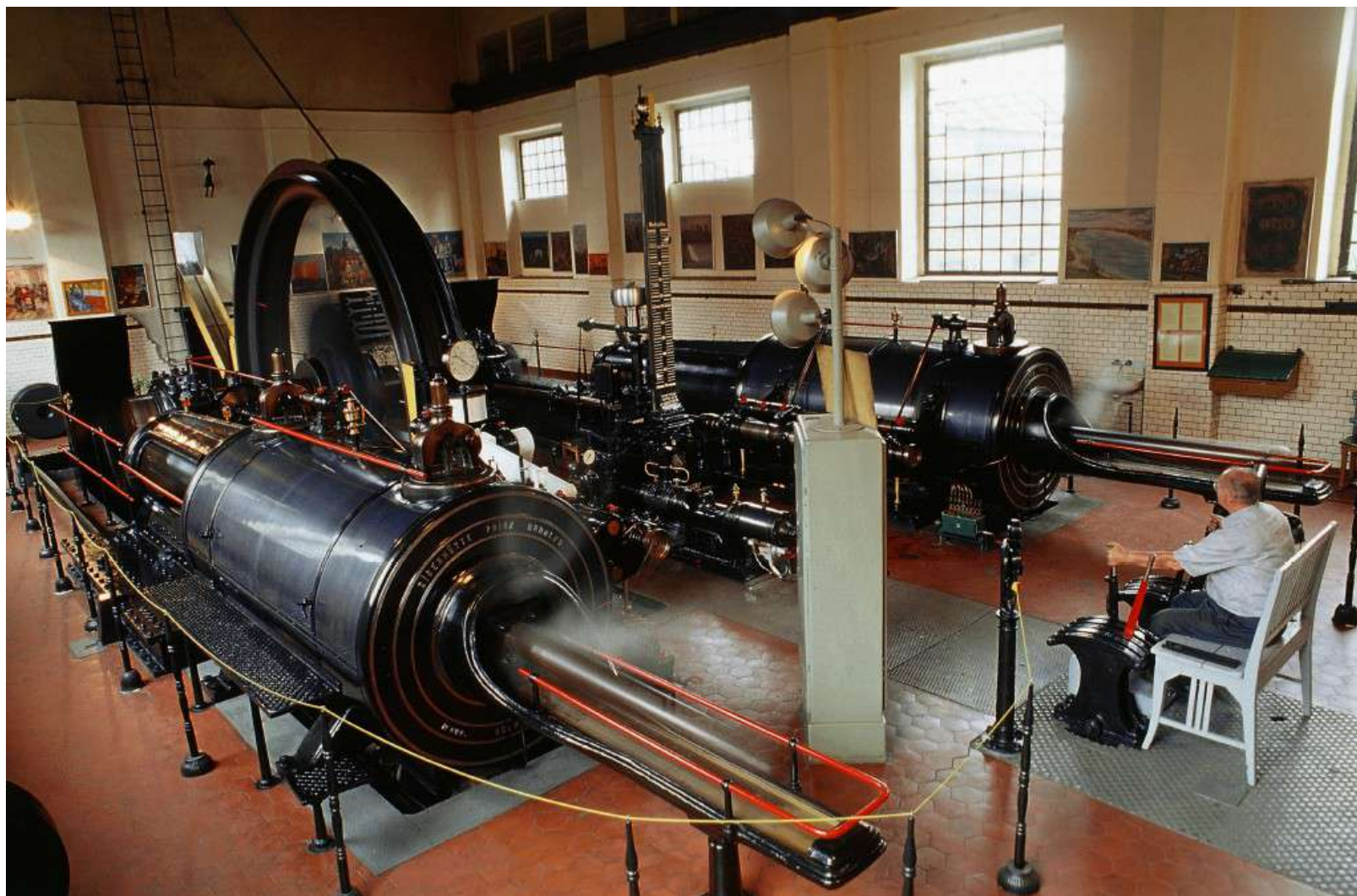
Source: <https://metropoliagzm.pl/>

„Guido” coal mine (Zabrze)



Source: <https://www.mojekonferencje.pl/zabrze/kopalnia-guido-w-zabrze>

Steam machine in „Guido” coal mine (Zabrze)



Nikiszowiec district (Katowice)



Source: <https://www.katowice.eu/>

Radiostation (Gliwice)

Source: Obiekty PK



Bike trips

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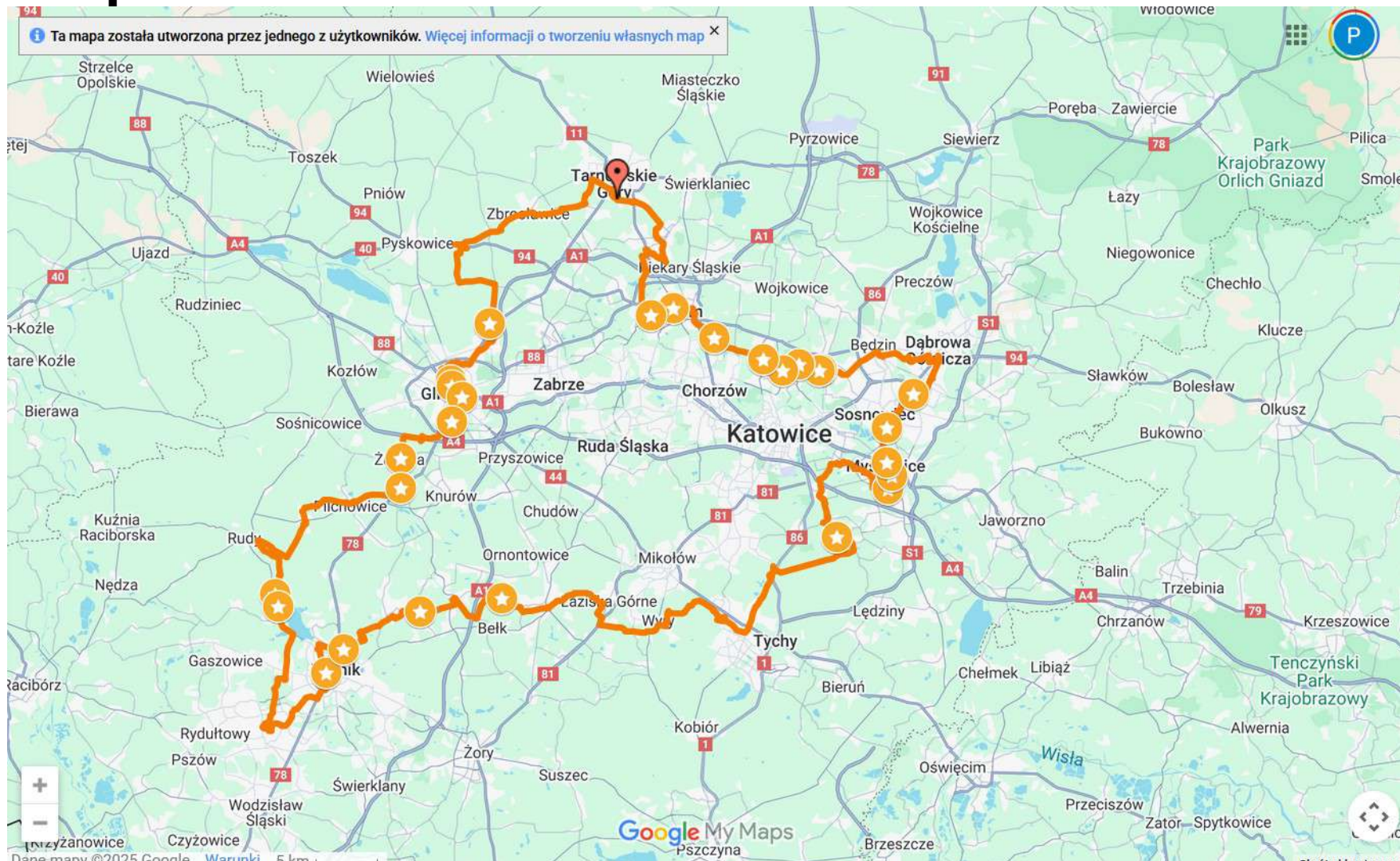
Rowerowy Szlak Zabytków Techniki – mała pętla

Mała pętla rowerowego Szlaku Zabytków Techniki ma 149km i łączy industrialne zabytki Górnośląsko-Zagłębiowskiej Metropolii. Trasa rozpoczyna się w Gliwicach i prowadzi głównie drogami miejskimi, ale także drogami rowerowymi i duktami leśnymi. Ze względu na swoją długość i przebieg przeznaczona jest raczej dla bardziej zaawansowanych rowerzystów. Jednak dzięki zastosowaniu skrótów, z głównej pętli można stworzyć dwie mniejsze, dzięki czemu będzie ona przystępna także dla cyklistów o średnim zaawansowaniu. Trasa wycieczki przebiega przez 16 dużych miast Górnośląsko-Zagłębiowskiej Metropolii obok aż 19 zabytków techniki.

Start i meta: Radiostacja Gliwice
Dystans: 149km

Source: www.roweremposlasku.pl

Bike trips



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Come to the Metropolis GZM and visit our famous **Industrial Monuments Route** on „bici”

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