PREFACE

The Statistical Office in Kraków is pleased to present you the elaboration entitled "Tourism in Małopolskie voivodship in 2007". It is the sixth edition of the title in the present administrative division.

The main goal of this publication is to provide receivers with the major data on tourism in Małopolskie voivodship, collected by public statistics. Prevailing part of the publication consists of tables elaborated on the basis of the CSO survey conducted on forms KT-1 and KT-1a, presenting state, structure and occupation of collective tourist accommodation establishments in 2007. These data have been run by voivodship, subregions, powiats, and selected information by gminas.

The basic subject matter is supplemented by information coming from:

- the CSO statistical survey concerning the activity of museums and paramuseum institutions (a report K-02),
- departmental surveys of following organizations: PTTK (the Polish Tourist Country-Lovers' Society), GOPR (the Volunteer Mountain Rescue Service) and TOPR (the Volunteer Tatra-Mountain Rescue Service),
- surveys of the Border Guard,
- *from non-statistical sources provided by different institutions.*

This publication consists of methodological notes, analytical part and tables. The elaboration includes also an "Annex" presenting data grouped by subregions being in force since 1 January 2008.

Methodological notes include sources, methods of surveys as well as major definitions.

The analytical part describes state, structure, occupation and distribution of collective tourist accommodation establishments. Like the previous editions, the present one includes also information on selected tourist attractions. This time, in connection with the 75th anniversary of establishment of the Pieniny National Park its tourist value is described. Information regarding rafting along "the Dunajec Ravine" and activity of the PTTK (the Polish Tourist Country-Lovers' Society) is also presented.

The tabular part begins with a review table which includes general information regarding collective tourist accommodation establishments in 2000 and from 2005 till 2007. Apart numeric tables describing tourist boarding facilities of Małopolska there are also data concerning the activity of: PTTK (the Polish Tourist Country-Lovers' Society), GOPR (the Volunteer Mountain Rescue Service), TOPR (the Volunteer Tatra-Mountain Rescue Service), WOPR (the Volunteer Water Rescue Service), rafting on the Dunajec and Poprad rivers, tourism in national parks and so-called cultural tourism (activity of museums).

In 2007 750 years were passed from the location of Kraków according to the Magdeburg law. Because for years this city has been a tourist centre of the Małopolskie voivodship, comparisons presenting tourist base of Kraków and its utilization from 2000 till 2007 are additionally placed in the publication (in the tabular part). The analytical part presents Kraków and the voivodship.

Presenting this publication, I express my gratitude to all institutions for provided information, which enriched its content.

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