

Travel Information

1. Option - flights to Ostrava

There are flights available from Prague to Ostrava with Czech Airlines. The flights are operating twice a day at noon and at 10pm.

2. Option – flights to other nearby towns Katowice or Krakow

Katowice and Krakow are offering wide range of flights from European destinations. There is this shuttle service that connects both the airports Katowice and Krakow with the centre of Ostrava.

<http://www.tigerexpress.eu/en/>

How to get from the end station of the Tiger express Náměstí republiky (ÚAN) to hotels and campus is described below in Getting around Ostrava point 1. and 2.

Also a private taxi can be ordered through this company:

<http://www.airportshuttleostrava.cz/?lang=en>

The cost of transport from Katowice airport to the centre of Ostrava is 92 EUR for 1-4 persons and 130 EUR for 5-8 persons.

3. Option - flights to Prague and train to Ostrava

Trains from Prague to Ostrava (and back)

There are 3 railway companies operating fast trains between Prague and Ostrava. The ride takes about 3 and a half hour and the tickets can be purchased at the railway station before the trip. One way ticket prices are between 350-600 Czech crowns (CZK). 1 EUR ~ 27 CZK. But it is safer to book them in advance through an on-line system. The Prague main train station (Praha hlavní nádraží – Praha hl.n.) can be reached by taxi or by Airport Bus Express. The bus ride takes about 40 minutes and the ticket can be purchased from the bus driver. It costs 60 CZK.

Possible railway companies:

České dráhy (ČD, Czech Railways) and their train SC Pendolino or other EC and IC trains

<http://www.cd.cz/en/default.htm>

Regio Jet is private railway company.

<http://www.regiojet.cz/>

Leo Express is private railway company.

<http://www.le.cz/index.php>

Ostrava has two main train stations: Ostrava-Svinov and Ostrava-hlavní nadraží (main train station). The Ostrava Svinov station is closer to the campus of the University and cheaper accommodation

hotel Garni at the student campus and the Ostrava hlavní nádraží Station is closer to the downtown and 4* hotels. The journey from train station Ostrava – Svinov to campus and hotel Clarion by public transport is described in the paragraphs below.

4. Option flights to Vienna and train to Ostrava

Vienna main station "Wien Hauptbahnhof" has been opened about two months ago. There are direct trains from Vienna International Airport to Vienna Main Station: a fast train (IC or railjet) twice an hour (XX:03 and XX:33), travel times are between 15 and 18 minutes.

Ostrava is served from Vienna Main Stations with several connections per day:

- 8:09am departure time from Vienna Main Station, travel time 2:48, direct connection
- 11:09am departure time from Vienna Main Station, travel time 2:48, one change
- 2:09pm departure time from Vienna Main Station, travel time 2:48, direct connection
- 6:09pm departure time from Vienna Main Station, travel time 2:48, direct connection
- 10:50pm departure time from Vienna Main Station, travel time 3:04, direct connection

The ride to Ostrava by train takes about 3 hours.

The train connection can be found here: <http://www.cd.cz/en/default.htm>

It is also possible to use the Tiger Express shuttle bus. Timetable is available here: http://e-tigerexpress.eu/select_connection . How to get from the end station of the Tiger express Náměstí republiky (ÚAN) to hotels and campus is described below in Getting around Ostrava point 1. and 2.

Getting around Ostrava

From the Airport to the centre

You can use taxi, train or bus. Taxis are usually available at the airport and are the easiest way.

1. From Ostrava airport to center by bus

Take any bus (e.g. No. 910333) direction to Ostrava bus station (ÚAN). You can by ticket from the bus driver. There you walk to a very close tram stop Náměstí Republiky. Than to get to the campus take tram No. 8 direction to Vřesinská to tram stop Rektorát VŠB. It takes approx. 30 min. You need to buy a 60 min tram ticket for 28 CZK. To get from Náměstí republiky to the Clarion Congress hotel take tram No. 2 direction to Výškovice and get out at the stop Sport Aréna. It will take around 15 mins and you will need a ticket for 20 CZK.

2. From Ostrava airport to the centre by train

There is a new train connection with the city. Timetable is available here:

http://www.airport-ostrava.cz/UserFiles/Image/Obrázky/JR_Mosnov.JPG

From the airport you should go to the station Ostrava – Svinov. How to get from the train station to the hotel Clarion or to campus is described in the following paragraphs.

1. From Ostrava – Svinov to campus by public transport

There is tram stop Svinov mostly very close to the railway station. There you can take a tram no. 8, 17 or 7 direction to Vřesinská. Take off at stop Rektorát VŠB. It takes around 15 min. You need to buy a 30 min tram ticket for 20 CZK. Hotel is located in the area of the University next to the student dormitory (Studentské koleje). Please see attached map of the campus.

2. From Ostrava Svinov railway station to Clarion

There is tram stop Svinov mostly very close to the railway station. There take tram No. 7 direction to Výškovice and get out at stop Sport Aréna. It will take around 15 mins to reach. You need to buy a 30 min tram ticket for 20 CZK.