

Education

IN ENGLISH

AT POZNAN UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY



Centre of Languages and Communication (CLC) at Poznań University of Technology (PUT) is involved in numerous activities and events related to foreign languages and language teaching. First and foremost, we are devoted to teaching languages for specific purposes, which translates into teaching technical language at PUT.

Our activities, however, reach beyond mere language teaching. We organize nation- and university-wide events for students. Every year we organize the National Olympiad of the English Language for Students of Technical Universities; we also celebrate the European Language Day with our own Day of Foreign Languages. We teach Polish to international exchange students and organize events to teach them about Polish culture (Polish Week).

CLC has teams of employees, offering linguistic support in a number of areas. We organize commercial, often custom-made, courses in several languages, and prepare and conduct language examinations such as BULATS or LCCI. We also have teams of qualified translators and a team of specialists in topics related to various aspects of academic writing. CLC teams also train students in soft skills, and operate and develop e-learning possibilities.

Kobylnica report

This June the employees of the Centre of Languages and Communication (CLC) at Poznań University of Technology had the opportunity to increase their qualifications at a seminar devoted to aviation as an aspect of teaching ESP. The goal of the seminar was to familiarize the CLC teachers with the basic notions of aviation, in connection with the newly opened field of Aviation and Space Technology at the Faculty of Machines and Transport. The seminar was organized with the aid of Aeroclub Poznań at the Kobylnica airport. It was divided into two parts, the training part including two lectures, and the more relaxing part – a picnic for the employees. Although the weather may not have been the best, the CLC teachers were eager to attend both parts.

During the seminar two lectures were delivered. The first one covered the mechanics of aviation and the most basic



ideas in aeronautics from Radosław Górzenski, PhD. The second lecture, Aviation through a layman's eyes, was presented by Klaudiusz Dybowski of Polish Air Navigation Services Agency (PANS). He discussed / tackled the issues of air traffic control and safety, as well as the linguistic aspects of interaction between ground crew and pilots.

This concluded the technical part of the seminar, and the participants moved to the second part of the meeting. The bravest participants took flights around the airport area, but the less brave ones only enjoyed a tour around the airport. And all participants enjoyed a pleasant barbecue lunch. Despite unfavourable weather, the seminar was a great success.

Crazy technology

Technology nowadays is becoming more and more surprising. And every day new gadgets make our lives more interesting. The pictures show just a few examples of crazy gadgets. Try guessing what their possible applications may be – there are hints suggesting their use!

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| 1. | An alternative way of changing channels – a remote control. | |
| 2. | A futuristic device allowing us to listen to music – a Bluetooth speaker. | |
| 3. | Something for Star Wars fans – a holographic video recorder. | |
| 4. | An augmented reality tool, giving us the opportunity to interact with holograms. | |
| 5. | An inconspicuous pen, which you can use to “draw” small 3D shapes – a 3D printer that can fit in the palm of your hand. | |
| 6. | The future of automotive industry – a car that does not require a driver. | |

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KEY: 1B, 2E, 3F, 4C, 5A, 6D.