

EXPERIENCE & FUTURE. BLIND TENNIS CONFERENCE

Event date : September 7th 2022

Venue: Hevelianum Conference Center, HAXO room, 6 Gradowa Street, Gdańsk

4:00 PM–4:05 PM – Official opening of the conference

4:05 PM–4:15 PM – ABC of blind tennis – speaker Robert Zarzecki, the President of Fundacja Widzimy Inaczej

I. Blind tennis in the world. Current situation in individual countries

4:15 PM–4:25 PM – Activities of the International Blind Tennis Association – speaker Maurice Gleeson, the President of IBTA (videoconference)

4:25 PM–4:35 PM – Blind Tennis – a technical overview – speaker Martin Etheridge, Head of Technical, IBTA

4:35 PM–4:45 PM – Blind tennis in Germany – speaker Chris Kaplan, the Secretary of IBTA (videoconference)

4:45 PM–4:55 PM – Blind tennis in England – speaker Lucy Simper, the Sports Development Officer of Metro Blind Sport

4:55 PM–5:05 PM – Blind tennis in Argentina – Eduardo Raffetto, Creator of the Argentine Tennis Association for the Blind (videoconference)

5:05 PM–5:15 PM – Blind tennis in Ireland – speaker Babs Weiberg, the blind tennis player

5:15 PM–5:40 PM – Coffee break

II. Cities open to diversity

5:40 PM–5:50 PM – Gdansk and its proposals for people with disabilities

5:50 PM–6:00 PM – Sopot and its proposals for people with disabilities

III. Blind tennis in Poland

6:00 PM–6:10 PM – Academy of Tennis for the Blind and Visually Impaired – speaker Pawel Chobot, the Tennis Coach of ATNiS

6:10 PM–6:25 PM – Development of blind tennis in Poland and around the world based on research for a master's thesis. Hopes and expectations – speaker Aleksandra Ryndak, the Tennis Coach of ATNiS

6:25 PM–6:40 PM – The future of blind tennis in Poland – speaker Mariusz Ozdoba, Member of the Board, Polish Tennis Association

6:40 PM–8:00 PM – Mini workshop on blind tennis – interested persons in simulators or dimming goggles try their hand at blind tennis

Organizers:



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