

# 9. Ogólnopolska Konferencja Uczestników i Sympatyków ARISS 26 Ottobre 2019 Ostrow Wielkopolski, Polonia



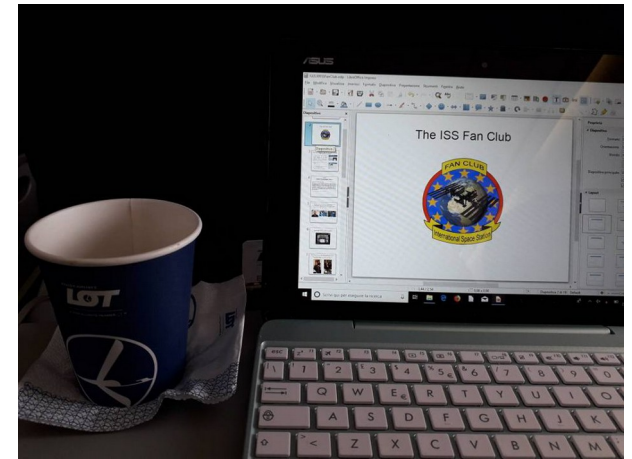
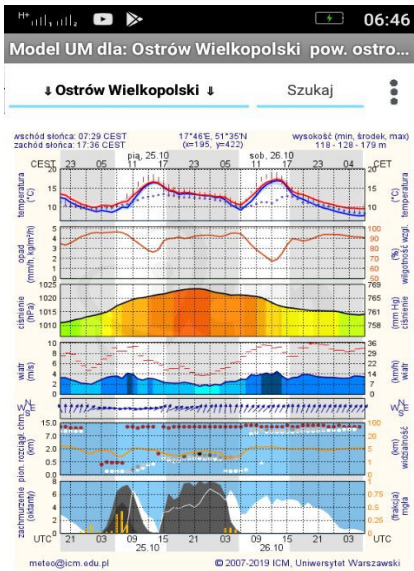
During the summer, Team Telebridge IK1SLD was invited to participate in the ARISS Conference organized by Armand SP3QFE and Slawek SQ3OOK, supported by the Polish team of the SP3POW Radioclub, to present the activities of the IK1SLD Ground Station.

I was also personally invited as administrator of the [issfanclub.eu](http://issfanclub.eu) website and president of the newly formed cultural association.

The team, and in particular Claudio IK1SLD, during the conference was busy at the station to ensure the backup for the direct contacts of the Italian schools with the Commander Luca Parmitano, thus acquired the trust and the positive opinion of Claudio I prepared myself to participate in the Conference also representing the team. In the preparation of the material I was helped by Claudio who verified that the data was correct, particularly with regard to the historian, and by Armand who helped me to give a better structure to the texts and rewrote some parts, putting them in a better light. Slawek helped me in choosing some images to insert.

It was a wonderful team effort. I was also supported in the choice of flights and logistics, including an exchange of night photos on sockets and adapters to make sure I could recharge all electronic devices.

On 25 October 2019, having also received the weather forecast from Armand SP3QFE, I left Malpensa, stopped over in Warsaw and landed in Poznan-Lawica.



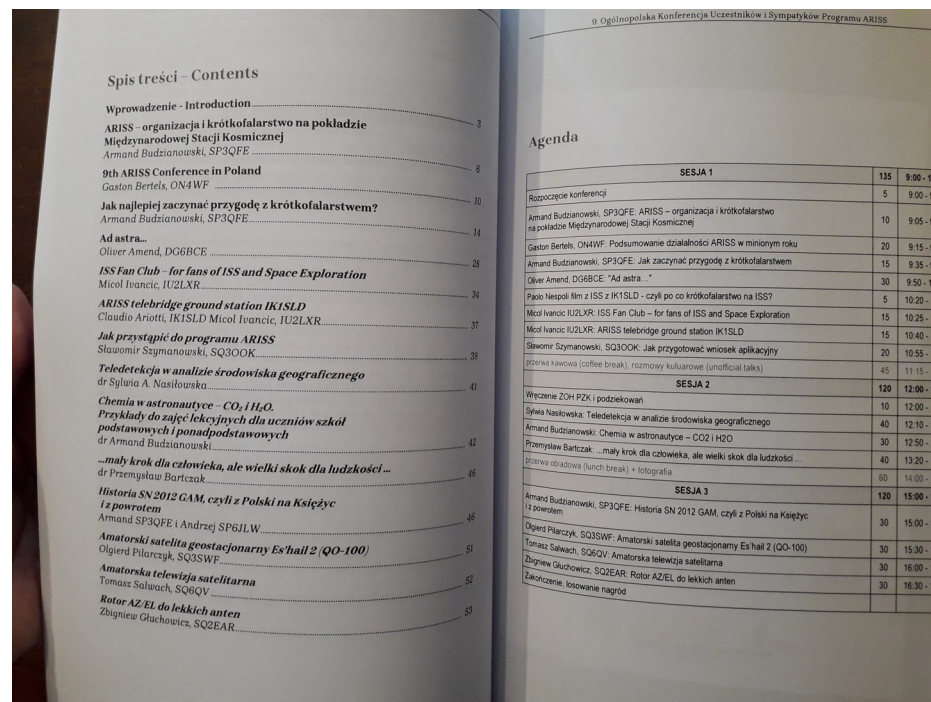
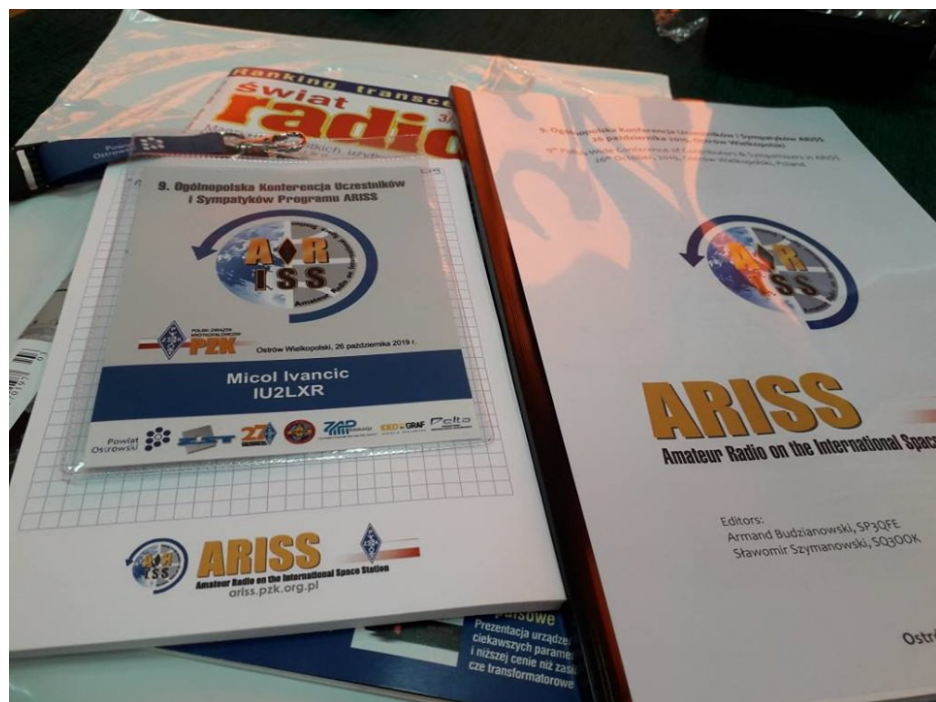
At the airport I was welcomed by Armand SP3QFE, our driver Zdislaw SQ5BPX and the navigator Adam SQ5AXA, all together in the photo taken the next day. The kindness and hospitality of the Polish team were very great from the first moment, making me feel at home. A couple of hours by car and we reached Ostrow Wielkopolski. By car, encouraged to use Armand's radio, I had my first QSO outside Italy, with Kristophe SQ3KNL. When we arrived at our destination, we made an inspection at the Conference venue, where Slawek SQ3OOK welcomed us and, helped by other members of the radio club, had set up the spaces. A surprise from the USA sent by Will Marchant awaited Armand.



Dinner at the hotel, behind closed doors in a very elegant room reserved for us where the tiredness of the day is blurred with the excellent Polish food and the best company. My luggage was lost at the airport, but with the help of Armand, Slawek and his daughter Irena who spoke to the office and scanned a document, I managed to get it through Marta Lipinska arriving from Poznan at 8:30 am next morning. I was worried because the polo to wear at the conference was in there, and above all I would have regretted not being able to deliver the krumiri, the patches of the issfanclub and two little thoughts for the wives I had brought as a gift for the organizers.



The kit for the participants: an accurate dossier collected all the presentations, some of which were translated into English, and the day's program with a precise timeline of the planned activities.



In the kit, a Radioclub magazine with cover and an article dedicated to the description of didactic activities within ARISS. I recognized one of those that I also propose to my students :-)



An overview of the room. Before starting, Slawek SQ300K assured that his daughter Irena and her friend Marta Lipinska who know English and Italian, were near me to translate. They were fundamental for me to understand the essential lines of presentations in Polish. Thank you girls!!



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Greet the participants and opens the day Slawek SQ300K, followed by Armand SP3QFE which presents radio communications with the ISS.





Video in which Paolo Nespoli on board the ISS was talking about radio communications.



Now IU2LXR with two short presentations: one on the issfanclub site from its origins to the new route, and the other on the IK1SLD ARISS Telebridge & HamTv Ground Station.



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There is no OVER for the emotion of receiving a special award from the hands of the ARISS SSTV manager SQ300K in person!



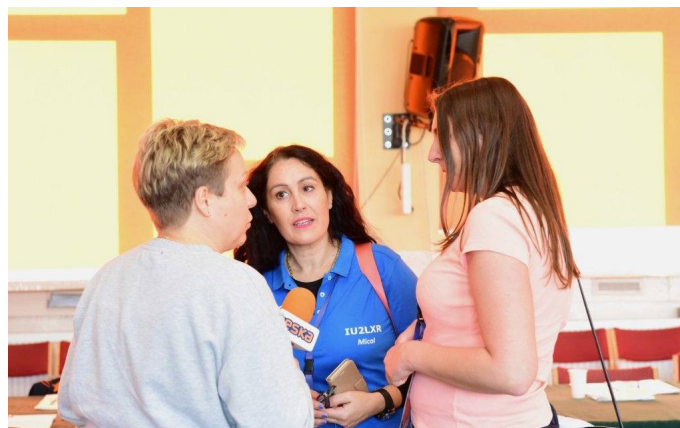
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Slawomir Sławomir Szymanowski SQ300K describes the selection process for a school contact and, as it all starts with filling the application form, provides instructions to do it in an accurate and complete way.



During the coffee break you socialize, Polish people were all welcoming, friendly, affectionate, and many asked to take a picture with me. A Polish broadcast radio interviewed me: fortunately Marta acted as interpreter! I noticed a greater female presence among radioamateurs, which pleasantly surprised me, in Italy we Ham-women are not so many.



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Before going on, some awards are given: The IK1SLD Telebridge Ground Station receives a special one; I receive a personal tribute. In order to thank, I give Armand and Slawek the typical biscuits from Casale Monferrato, named Krumiri, and the patches of the ISS Fan Club and ARI Casale (our radioclub).



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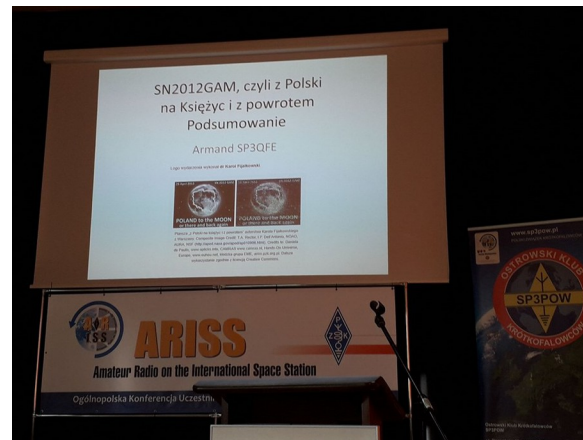
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Dr Sylwia A. Nasiłowska tells about the techniques of remote sensing in the analysis of the environment. Extremely interesting ... you can even monitor the presence, activity and health of bees, which are very important biological indicators.



Dr. Przemysław Bartczak (Institute Astronomical Observatory UAM) describes the importance of progressive small steps in technological progress. Continues Armand Budzianowski SP3QFE with a presentation on chemistry in space: water and carbon dioxide. He continues with the history of the SN2012GAM project, with which images were sent to the Moon and back using EME techniques.



After the lunch break. We're not all in this picture. 80 people attended the conference.



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Olgierd Pilarczyk Sq3Swf resumes who spoke of Es'hail 2 (QO-1) in a very nice way, also with references to the film Matrix.



# Notable picture



Tomasz Salwach SQ6QV, OM active in the satellite amateur radio TV, tells us about his experiences. The legendary MiniTiouner is in the room!



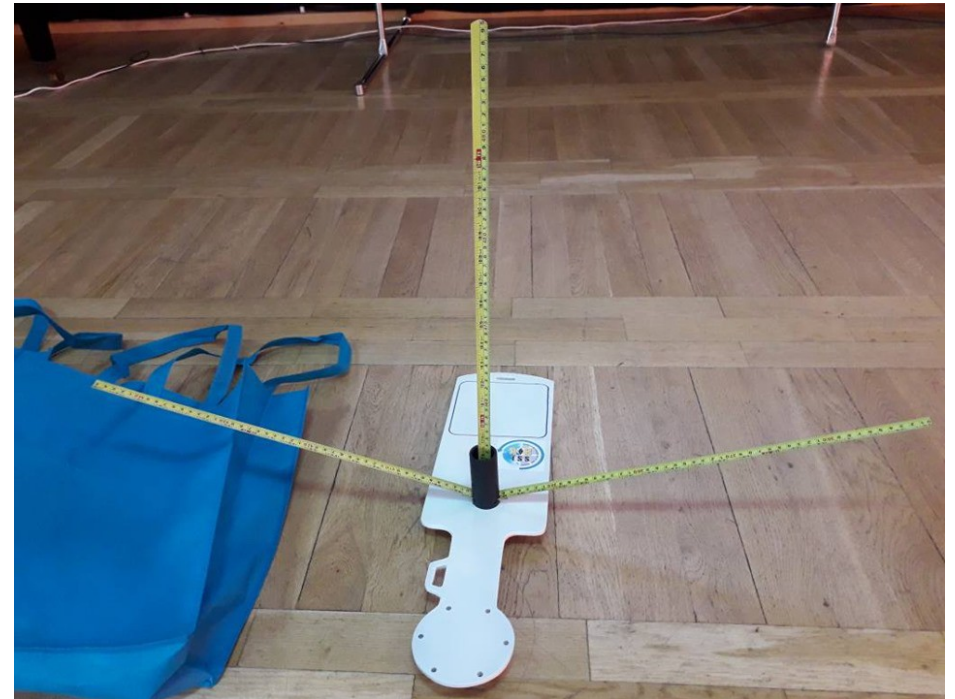
We saw a video of Paolo Nespoli received from Armand's HamTV Ground Station, hoping to get HamVideo back on the ISS soon for new transmissions ...



We are almost closing, Krzysztof Poporski SQ7IQA presents a model of great educational interest.

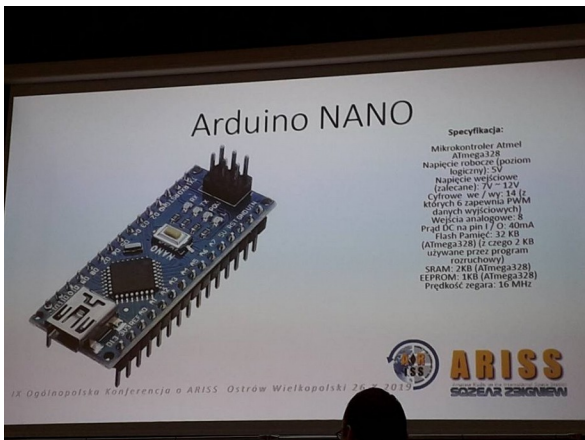
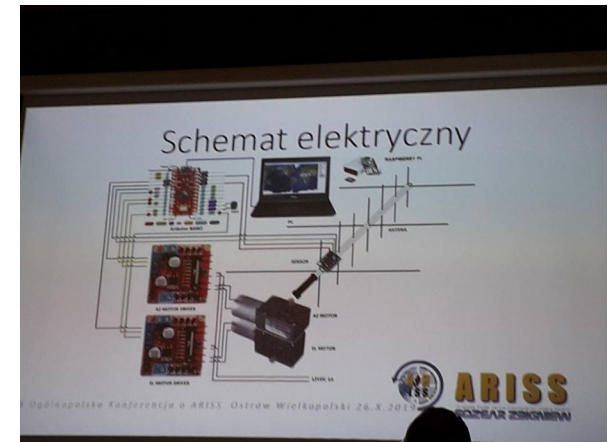


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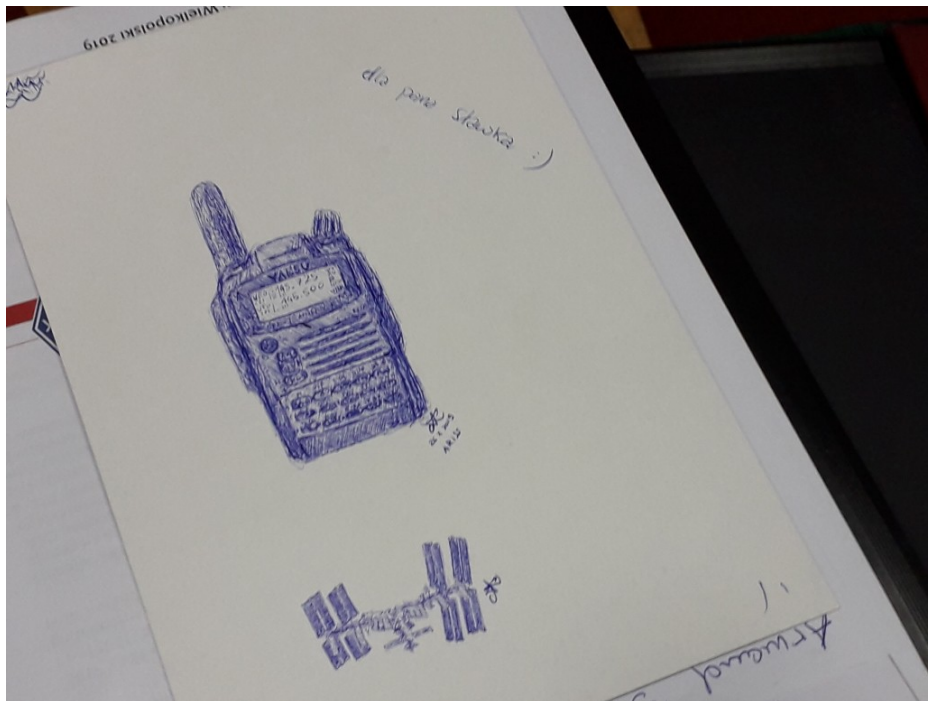




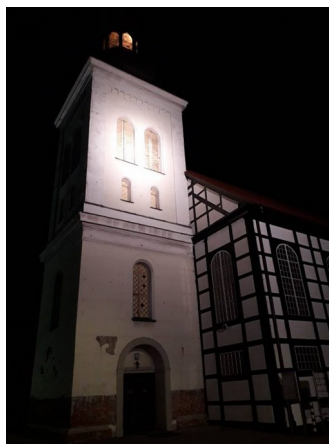
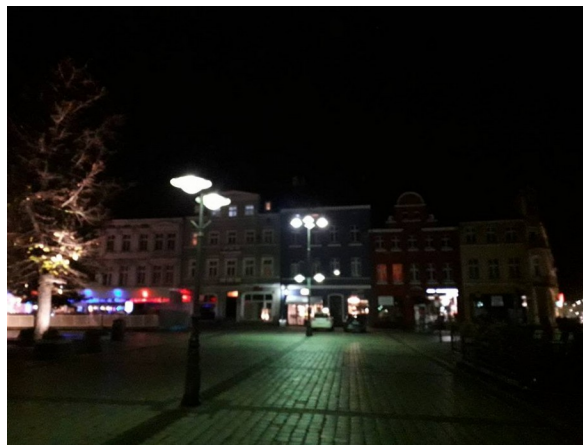
Zbigniew Głuchowicz SQ2EAR concludes with a presentation on how to build an AZ / EL rotor for field antennas. The system he designed costs less 150EUR, does not need to be calibrated in the field: when you move the stand with the antenna, the system will automatically find the object to chase in the sky.



It is time to say goodbye, all embrace like old friends, not everyone is familiar with English, but girls always act as interpreters. Slawek smiles when I tell him that I consider him a Legend and that with his SSTV AWARD he makes so many people all over the world happy. Armand gives me his Kenwood, I walk away and have some QSO with everyone present. Initially I forget to place sp/ before my callsign risking to generate some astonishment for the strength of the signal with which I arrived from Italy ;-). When I returned home, Armand sent me the recording and for me this is one of the best memories.



The evening ends with Irena and Paolo, daughter and son of Slawek, and Marta. Dinner, stroll through the town and a good coffee.



Kawy	
<b>Kawy tradycyjne:</b>	
Espresso 30ml .....	5 zł
Filizanka Italiano Vero 200ml .....	6 zł
Zbożowa 300/400/500ml .....	6/7/8 zł
Espresso doppio 60ml .....	8 zł
Cappuccino 300/400/500ml .....	8/9/10 zł
Latte macchiato 300/400/500ml .....	8/9/10 zł
Espresso corretto 40ml .....	9 zł
espresso z grappa, czyli włoską wódką otrzymywaną przez destylację skórek, pestek i gałązek z winogron pozostałych po produkcji wina	
<b>Kawy mrożone:</b>	
Espresso affogato 120ml .....	8 zł

On Sunday 27 Oct, Jarek SP3AYA and Ania SQ3YAY took me back to the airport in Poznan. On the way I had the opportunity to admire the Polish countryside and the sky that offered us the rare spectacle of lenticular clouds. In the car Jarek and Ania had a Kenwood TD710 and they passed me the microphone for the last QSO SP/IU2LXR.



Conclusions: on this occasion I learned a lot and a lot, meeting the knowledge and willingness to share from OM so high qualified. Face to face meeting opportunities are key moments in my opinion. ARISS is made of people, and meeting is important. I would like to emphasize that thanks to Polish hospitality, I have always felt like home and was treated as a special guest. Poland, I miss you!  
OVER!

*Dziękuję bardzo!*

