

## Polish Minister of Sport and Tourism confirms - YES to Winter Olympic Games in Krakow!

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Krakow will bid to become a candidate city to organize Winter Olympic Games in 2022. "The government is determined to support this candidacy [...]" - said Minister of Sport Joanna Mucha on Polish Radio Trójka on 21 January.

The cost of organizing Olympic Games amounts to approx. \$1.5 billion. "The cost is enormous, but it needs to be emphasized that part of it is going to be reimbursed by the IOC, part of it will be provided by sponsors, so for the government the expense will be much, much lower". The full recording is available at <a href="https://www.polskieradio.pl">www.polskieradio.pl</a>

In October last year Mayor of Krakow Jacek Majchrowski, together with Marshall of the Małopolskie Region Marek Sowa and President of the Polish Olympic Committee Andrzej Kraśnicki as well as President of the Slovak Olympic Committee Frantisek Chmelar signed a letter of intent concerning Krakow's will to bid for the title of Host City of the 24th Winter Olympic Games in 2022. The idea came from Member of the Parliament Jagna Marczułajtis-Walczak and Professor Szymon Krasicki.

Prime Minister Donald Tusk and President Bronisław Komorowski also endorsed the idea of organising the Winter Olympic Games in Krakow.