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Ladies and Gentlemen,

in the year of the 20th anniversary of the first International Baccalaureate in Gdańsk, we invite you to celebrate together by participating in the Theory of Knowledge - Critical Thinking Conference and the Passion Festival. We want to celebrate together with our graduates and friends by showing the heart of the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program. We hope that each of you will find something for yourself on this day, and above all, will accompany us in moments that are joyful for Topolówka.

We invite school principals, teachers and everyone interested in introducing Critical Thinking into the standards of school education.

We offer workshops in two groups.

### **Theory of Knowledge Group – workshops in English.**

**Host: Dr. Richard (Ric) Sims** - graduate of the University of Oxford, the University of Warwick and Liverpool and the Conservatory in The Hague (mathematics and music). He holds a PhD in Philosophy of Mind/Philosophy and Cognitive Science from the University of Exeter. Composer and musician. An experienced lecturer of Theory of Knowledge, a long-term trainer and examiner of the International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO) and the creator of knowledge theory curricula. A charismatic, creative and professional man, a faithful friend of Topolówka for 20 years.



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## **Critical Thinking Group - cross-object view - workshops in Polish.**

**Host: Doctor of Psychology Barbara Ostrowska** – trainer and examiner of the International Baccalaureate Organization IBO. He collaborates with many non-governmental organizations, e.g. the School with Class Foundation and the Foundation for the Development of Knowledge Society THINK! Belongs to the Superbelfrzy RP community. He is MCE certified: Microsoft Certified Educator and Google Certified Educator. In 2018, nominated for the Teacher of the Year award, and in 2019, the winner of the EduInspirator competition for active involvement in the implementation of international Erasmus+ educational projects, their highest quality and sharing with other teachers. theory of knowledge, psychology, introduction to the IB DP program. Coordinator of the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program IB DP and teacher of TOK and psychology at the Paderewski High School in Lublin.

**Date and place:** June 16-17, 2023, ZSO No. 13, III Liceum Ogólnokształcące with Bilingual Departments, Bohaterów Westerplatte in Gdańsk, IB World School 001309, ul. Topolowa 7.

**Conference fee:** PLN 790

**The conference fee includes:** participation in workshops in a group selected during registration, conference materials, Friday lunch, evening conference dinner at the Progres restaurant, as well as lunch and coffee buffet during Saturday workshops breaks.

Due to the limited size of the workshop group, please register by April 30, 2023 and pay after confirming registration for the conference.



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**Conference registration link:**

<https://forms.office.com/e/dPQL1s3D3g>

**Contact with the organizers:**

**School website:** <https://zso13.edu.gdansk.pl/pl/page/strona-glowna-43/ib-1309>

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**Title:** Conference fee - TOK group or conference fee Critical Thinking group  
(depending on the selection made during registration)



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## WORKSHOPS SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, June 16, 2023

10:00 - 14:30 - registration of participants

10:00 – 14:00 Passion Festival – “Our passion is our strength”

Tok Exhibition, CAS presentations, presentation of school clubs and other passions of young people

12:00 – 14:00 Celebrations in the school auditorium

13:30 – 14:15 Inaugural lecture of the TOK conference – ToK and the art of (critical) thinking with objects – Ric Sims, PhD.

14:15 – 15:00 Refreshments for guests and participants of the conference - lunch, sweet and savory snacks

19:00 – 03:00 Conference Gala combined with a formal ball on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the International Baccalaureate at IB World School 001309,

Progres restaurant, <https://www.progres-event.pl/kontakt>

15:00 – 16:30 1st workshop session

TOK Group - Ric Sims

Activity-based thinking and questioning in TOK

Critical Thinking Group - cross-object view - Barbara Ostrowska

Fundamentals of the theory of knowledge, or what to base critical thinking on



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SATURDAY, June 17, 2023

10:00 – 11:30 Session II

TOK Group - Ric Sims

An example-driven approach to the TOK Essay

Critical Thinking Group - cross-object view - Barbara Ostrowska

How to introduce critical thinking in other subjects?

Coffee Break - School Club

11:50 – 13:20 Session III

TOK Group - Ric Sims

What knowledge is at stake? The key to the TOK Exhibition

Critical Thinking Group - cross-object view - Barbara Ostrowska

How to introduce critical thinking in other subjects?

13:30 Lunch - School Club

14:15 – 15:45 Session IV

TOK Group - Ric Sims

The art of assessing the TOK Exhibition

Critical Thinking Group - cross-object view - Barbara Ostrowska

Real life examples - how to use examples to discuss knowledge



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16:00 – 16:15 coffee break

16:15 – 17:15 Session V

TOK Group - Ric Sims

The art of assessing the TOK Essay

Critical Thinking Group - cross-object view - Barbara Ostrowska

How to support TOK teachers while working on various subjects.