Andrzej Massel, Janusz Poliński: Lodz Railway Node – Existing State and Development Prospects

The monograph contains characteristics of Łódź Province (voivodship) and the role of railway in this area urbanization process has been described. Moreover, the social and economic development is outlined in a historical perspective. The development of interregional and regional transport services in that region is outlined taking into account settlement, technical conditions as well as multimodality in passenger transport. The further considerations referred to Łódź Agglomeration Railway, inter alia, the history of its establishment, a network of connections, marketing activities and transport services' results to date. Finally, the role of rail transport is characterized in relation to building territorial capital in Warsaw – Łódź functional area as well as the Łódź railway node's prospects of development in a long time perspective.

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