

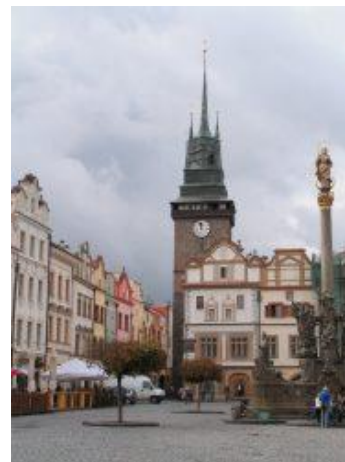
PARDUBICE

is the capital city of the Pardubice Region and lies on the river Elbe, 96 kilometres east of Prague.

HISTORY

The oldest antique part is situated around the Pernštýnské Square. Visitors are enchanted with many Renaissance houses, an old Gothic Tower, Gothic St. Bartholomew's Church and a recently renovated Renaissance Chateauateau.

Pardubice is a historic town, the oldest document regarding Pardubice comes from the 13th century. It was written by Arnošt of Pardubice, the first bishop of Prague. Pardubice was promoted to the town in the 14th century.



INDUSTRIES

Pardubice is a highly industrial town. The most prosperous is Synthesia, chemical factory manufacturing cellulose, pigments, and explosives. Others are oil refinery Paramo, some heavy machinery factories and an electronic equipment plant. Wellknown company is PLC Zerone s.r.o. which provides automatization equipment to companies in the Czech Republic and in many other countries.

SPORTS

Most young citizens are interested in sports and many sports events are annually held there - The Czech Open Chess Tournament is the biggest in Europe with roughly 1200 players from all over the world; the Grand Pardubická Steeplechase is the most difficult race on the continent; Golden Helmet of Pardubice is also very popular.

Pardubice is home to one of the top hockey teams in the Czech Extraligue – HC HC ČSOB Pardubice Insurance. The local hockey club has bred international stars such as Dominik Hašek and many others.

EDUCATION

The young have a great choice of secondary schools for their studies and after finishing the secondary education they can continue at one of 7 faculties of Pardubice University .

LEISURE TIME

Leisure time can be spend in the Eastern Bohemia Thetratre, in one of Multicinemas, musical clubs or in a pub where you can play billiards and drink Pernštejn's beer.

Everyone is welcomed!

