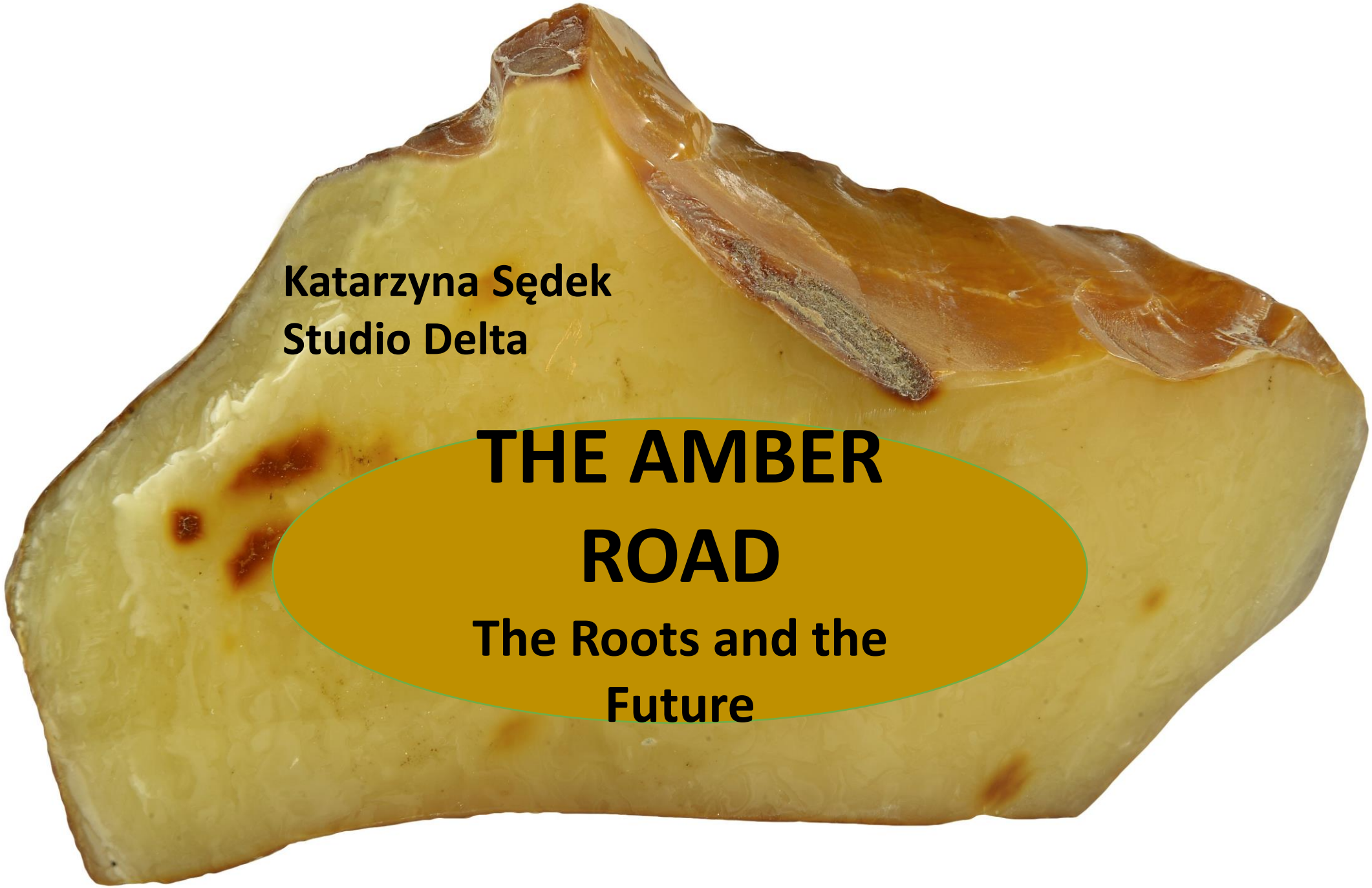

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THE AMBER ROAD

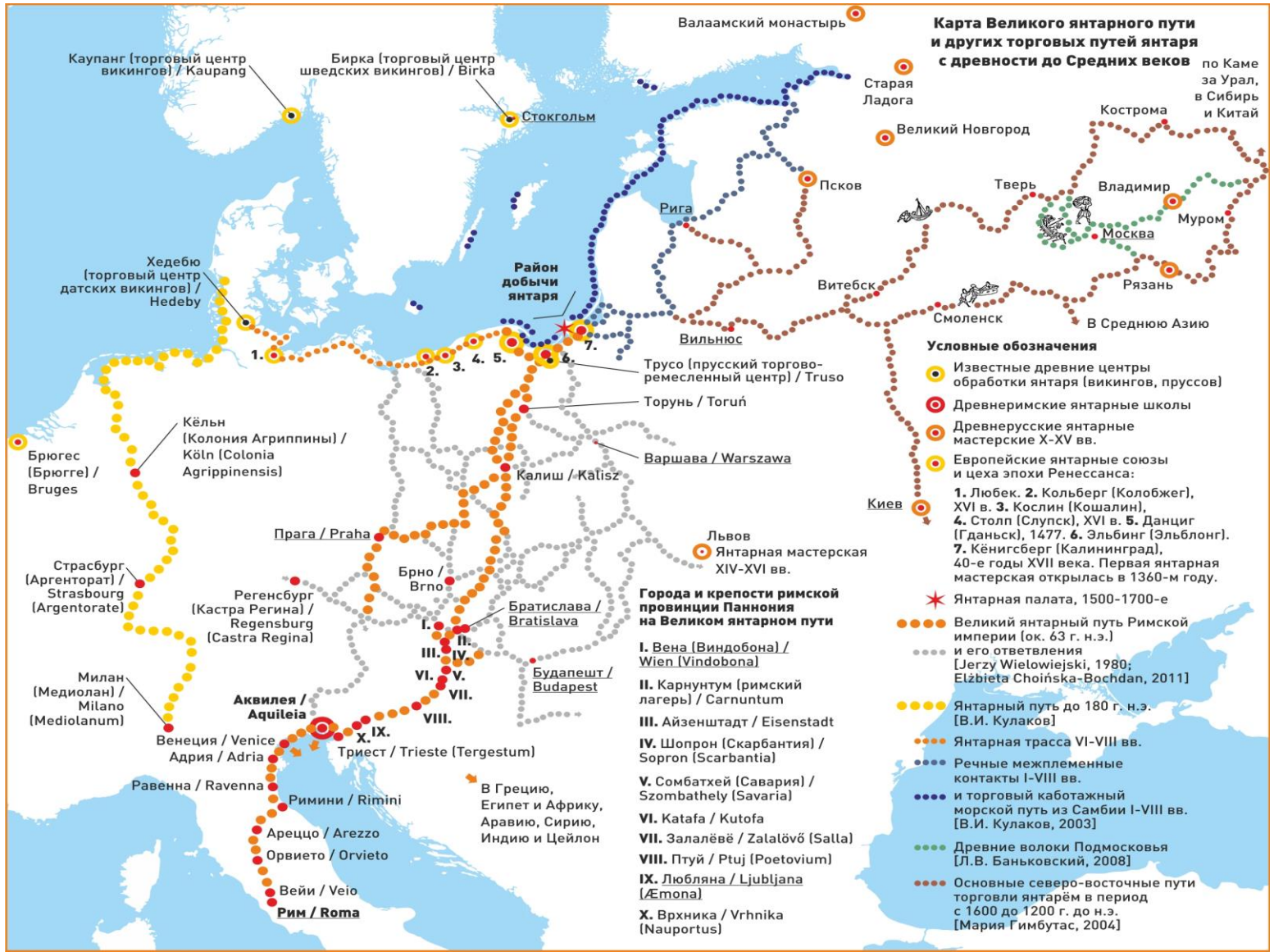
The Roots and the Future

Baltic Amber

- Baltic amber was created 40 million years ago from the resin of coniferous trees.
- Baltic amber has many colors - from light yellow, through honey, cognac, to milky white, greenish and even black.
- It is used in jewelry, medicine, cosmetics and magic.
- For centuries, merchants have come for amber to the southern coast of the Baltic Sea.
- Amber was very popular in ancient Greece and the Roman Empire.

AMBER COLOURS

THE HISTORICALROADS



WHEN AND WHERE IT HAS BEGUN

People of Rzucewska Culture

- Appeared on the Baltic coast over 6000 years ago – The Stone Age
- The archeoligists named them the seal hunters
- They were the first amber traders
- They trade amber beads and other products made of amber for striped flint
- There is the Curtural Park of Seal Hunters in Rzucewo on the coast of Gdanska Bay with reconstructed houses and small museum

AMBER PLACES IN POLAND

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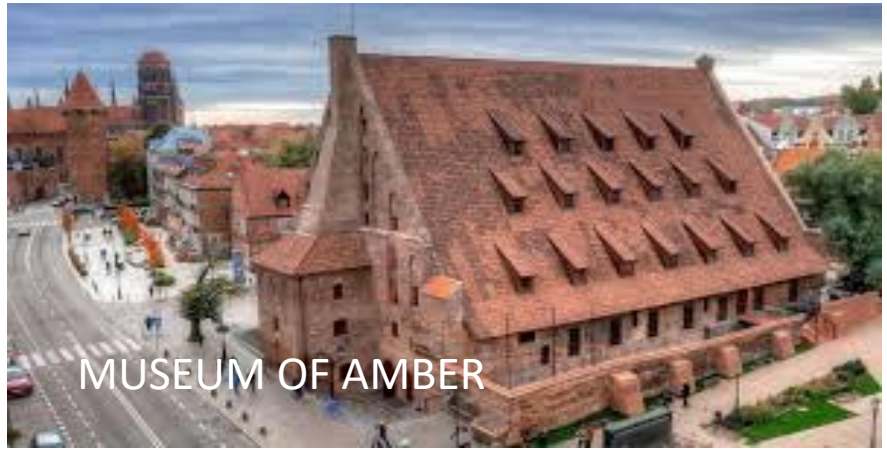
- **World Amber Fishing Championships in Vistula Spit**

AMBER PLACES IN POLAND

- **Malbork Castel Museum - It boasts one of the most valuable amber collections in the world and the largest in Poland, numbering nearly 2,000 items. The permanent exhibition, "Amber Contexts," presents works from the Neolithic period to the present day.**

GDAŃSK DESERVES THE TITLE OF THE WORLD CAPITAL OF AMBER.

AMBER IN GDAŃSK



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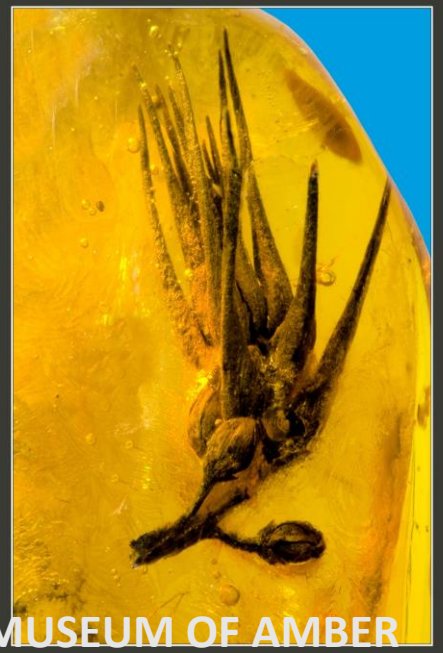


MUSEUM OF AMBER INCLUSIONS

AMBER in GDAŃSK

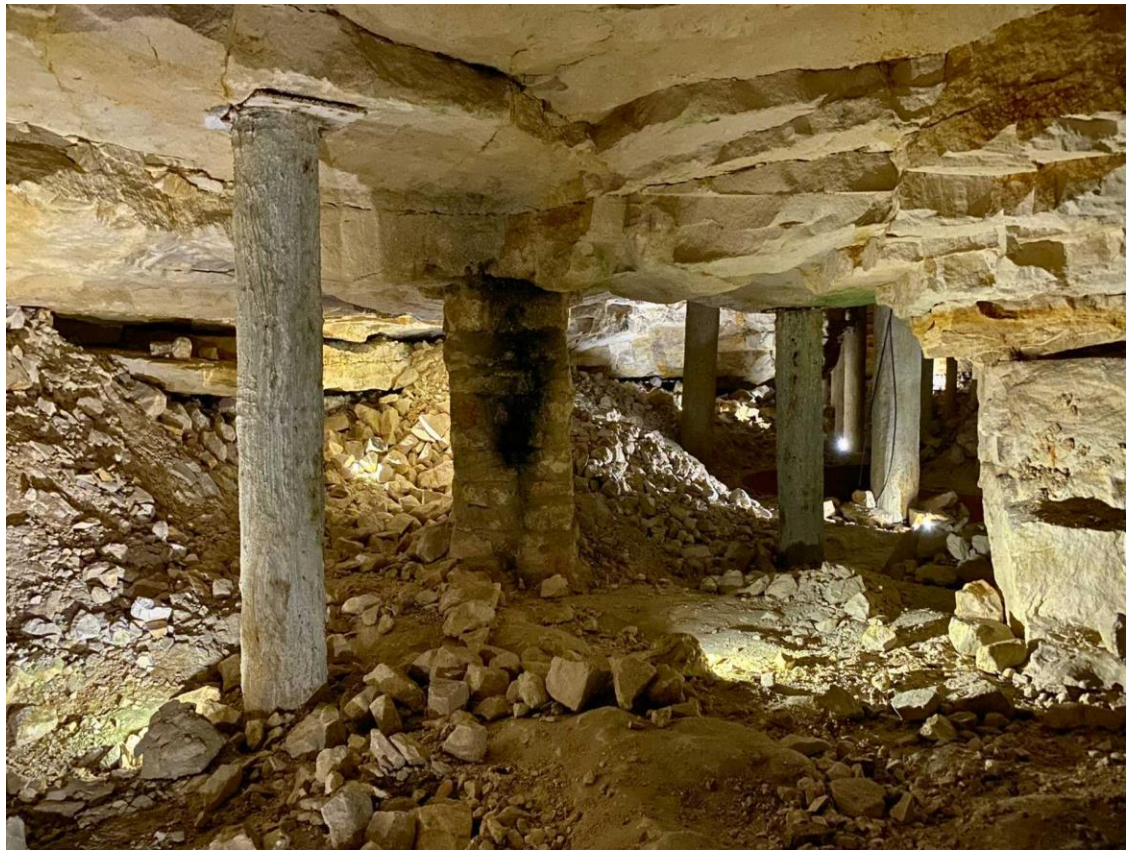
- The amber altar in the Basilica of St. Bridget
- It’s the biggest thing made of amber in the wirld
- Over 800 kilograms of amber was used

AMBER PLACES IN POLAND

- There are regions in Poland where archeologists dicoverd Neolithic mines of amber: Żuławy, Kurpie and places near Lublin

AMBER PLACES IN POLAND

- **Krzemionki Archaeological Museum and Reserve - In the Neolithic and early Bronze Age, striped flint mines operated here. The architecture of the prehistoric excavations and the surface landscape are invaluable testimony to the knowledge and technical capabilities of Stone Age people.**
- **They exchanged striped flint for amber**
- **The striped flint was used to produce axes**



AMBER PLACES IN POLAND

- **Wrocław and Kalisz are places mentioned in letters and writings from the Roman Empire period as important locations on the Amber Route. A large amber warehouse from this period was found near Wrocław.**

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