

The Venue 2nd OpenECG Workshop

Berlin, Germany, April 1 – 3, 2004

About Berlin

Berlin, the united Germany's capital since 1999, is a 774 year old city, whose contribution to the industrial development has been significant. From 1850 to the years before the second world war Berlin was the most important industrial, trade, financial and communications centre in middle Europe. Nowadays Berlin is again on the cutting edge, as the federal government, new businesses, artists, and visitors from around the world are all being drawn to the city.

With the wall relegated to the souvenir pile of history, visitors can now appreciate the qualities that mark the city as a whole. Its particular charm has always lain in its spaciousness, its parks and greenery, and its racy atmosphere. Moreover, many interesting parts of the pre-war capital are in the historic eastern part of town, which has grand avenues, monumental architecture, and world treasures in its museums.

For more information visit: <http://www.berlin.de/english/index.html>.



Gendarmenmarkt



Brandenburg Gate



Nicolas Church



New Parliament Dome

Conference Location

The conference will be hosted by the DIN (Deutsches Institut für Normung) which is located at the centre of the former West Berlin. Main attractions as the Zoo, the Memorial Church and many shopping possibilities including the world famous KADEWE are situated at walking distance.

The very interesting scientific conference will start on April 1st at noon and will be finished in the afternoon of April 3rd.

Social Program

Our welcome buffet dinner will be held at the German Museum of Technique Berlin.



After the dinner we will have a guided tour to one of the most interesting sections.

The conference dinner will take place in the world famous Berlin TV Tower at the rotating Telecafé at an altitude of 203 m with a spectacular view of city of Berlin.



Travel information

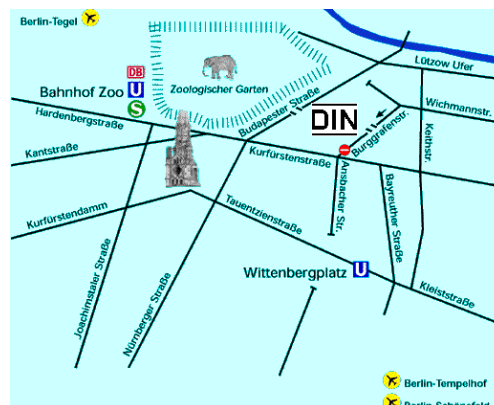
Berlin has three international airports: Tegel, Schönefeld and Tempelhof. For more information about them visit: <http://www.berlin-airport.de/PubEnglish/index.html>.

Berlin can be also reached by the super fast Intercity Express Train ICE. It stops also directly at the Zoologischer Garten Station (Zoo Station) which is located very close to the pre-booked hotels and to the DIN building.

Since Berlin has a very efficient public transportation system and due to the central location of the conference place and the nearby hotels, it is not advisable to rent a car.

How to get to the DIN Building

DIN
Burggrafenstraße 6
D-10787 Berlin
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The DIN building is situated in the western area of the city centre. Nearest underground station (U-Bahn) Wittenbergplatz, approx. 5 minutes walking distance. Nearest main-line railway station Zoologischer Garten, approx. 10 minutes walking distance or by Bus 100 to Bayreuther Straße (Bus 200 stops near the Alexander-von-Humboldt-Haus in Budapester Straße). From the airports: - Tegel Bus 109 to Bahnhof Zoo (via Kurfürstendamm, 30 minutes), Bus X9 to Bahnhof Zoo (20 minutes). Taxi approx. 15 EUR. - Schönefeld Airport-Express or S-Bahn (city rail) S9 to Bahnhof Zoo. Taxi approx. 30 EUR. - Tempelhof Bus 119 or by underground to Wittenbergplatz. Taxi approx. 13 EUR. With a ticket for public transport services, you can change buses, city rail or trams within a period of two hours (also make more than one journey and travel in both directions). All tickets must be stamped at the beginning of the journey.

Accommodation

The organising committee has pre-booked rooms for the conference participants located at walking distance to the DIN Building. Please submit your reservation directly to the hotel before **March 3rd** to secure the special rate for the participants as well as the availability of the rooms. For more details, please see the Hotel Accommodation Information section.