Locations and Directions

How to get to: Mainz

You can travel to Mainz, the capital city of Rhineland Palatine, via train. Please remember to get out of the train at **Mainz Central Station** (Mainz Hauptbahnhof). If you are travelling from Frankfurt or Frankfurt Airport, do <u>not</u> leave the train at Mainz Römisches Theater.

The journey from Frankfurt Airport to Mainz is a straightforward one: If you are arriving at the airport, follow the signs to the regional train station "Frankfurt Flughafen Regionalbahnhof." The regional train station is at Terminal 1. If you arrive at another Terminal, you will need to take either the bus or the elevated railway to get to Terminal 1. Once at the regional train station, purchase a ticket to Mainz (4,65€) and take either "RB" (Regionalbahn) or an "S-Bahn" (the S-Bahn through Mainz, S-Bahn number 8, is commonly referred to as S8). You can purchase your tickets at vending machines all around the train station. The machines have the option to switch to the English language. Make sure to remember to go past Mainz Römisches Theater and leave the train at Mainz Central Station.

How to get to: Conference Hotels

For speakers:

Hotel Königshof Schottstraße 1-5 55116 Mainz

For guests:

Hotel Advena

Kaiserstraße 7

55116 Mainz

Terminus-Hotel

Alicenstraße 4 55116 Mainz

InterCityHotel Mainz

Binger Straße 21 55131 Mainz

All hotels are within close walking distance from Mainz main train station (approx. 5 minutes). Use the main downtown exit (not the "West/Taubertsbergbad" exit). If you are standing in front of the train station looking away from the train station, walk straight ahead to get to Hotel Königshof (in the street between Hotel Hammer and Besitos). If you are staying in Hotel Advena Europa, walk past Hotel Königshof and stay on the left side of the street,

passing the city building (Bürgeramt). Hotel Advena Europa will be on your left just about 100 yards down. The Terminus-Hotel is located to your right.

To get to the InterCityHotel, use the main exit to "West/Taubertsbergbad". Once you have left the train station, cross the parking lot and cross the street. You should already be able to see the hotel which is located at the crossing next to the bus station "West/Taubertsbergbad"

How to get to: Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz

Mainz is a city which relies heavily on public transportation. As such, travelling through Mainz by bus is usually the fastest way to get from one place to another. Standing with your back to the main station, there are two parallel bus lines on your right hand side, all busses going to your right (**platforms F and G**). To get to Johannes Gutenberg-Universität, take any of these numerous busses. Busses from platform F will take you to the main entrance of the university (second stop "<u>Universität</u>"). Walk through the first two gateways, across the street, and follow the large path that leads straight up to the **Philosophicum**. On this path you will pass the university library and the legal sciences building to your left, shortly after you will pass the green social sciences building to your right. You will find the Philosophicum next to the green social sciences building.

If you decide to travel from platform G, get off the bus at the third stop ("<u>Friedrich-von-Pfeiffer-Weg</u>"). Cross the street walking the bridge, then walk left parallel to the tram line under construction until you reach the Philosophicum. Keep in mind that there should also be a number of students going to university on both routes at any given time. They can help you in case you do not find the Philosophicum.

Please note that all participants will receive a ticket for public transportation within Mainz once they have checked in at the hotel. As a speaker of the conference, you will therefore <u>not</u> need to purchase a ticket to use public transportation in Mainz.

Conference locations

The conference will be held in the "Senatssaal in der Naturwissenschaftlichen Fakultät" in the ZDV on Thursday. Please see the **attached map** in order to find the building. The room is located on the seventh floor of the building, feel free to use the elevators to get up to the conference room.

On Friday and Saturday, the conference will take place in the "Fakultätssaal" in the Philosophicum. The room is above P3, where we will have an informal meeting on Wednesday. It is also highlighted on the map.

"Meet-and-Greet" and Registration on Wednesday, December 14 (Time: 5:30-7:00 p.m.)

We invite all speakers and guests to an informal welcome reception in front of room P3 in the Philosophicum on Wednesday, December 14, to get to know each other before the conference

starts the next morning. There will be some light drinks and snacks and we hope to welcome as many speakers and guests as their schedules permit. Inside the Philosophicum, the way to the room will be signposted.

Conference lunch and dinners

We have booked tables for lunch at a popular restaurant on campus on Thursday and Friday. The Baron offers a variety of different dishes with additional daily menus to choose from. The restaurant has provided us with a menu from which you are supposed to choose your meal in advance. Please note that they will need to know what you would like to eat well in advance. See the attached menu and write an Email to Mrs. Vollrath, telling her which one you would like. You can find the dining hall on campus next to the "Alte Mensa" between two stone gates right after entering the campus from town. The fountain on the plaza is a landmark that makes it an easy place to find.

The conference dinners will take place in three popular local restaurants in Mainz. On Thursday, we will be having dinner at Proviant-Magazin. The restaurant offers a selection of Rhine-Hessian cuisine and is situated just a couple of yards away from the station "Schillerplatz". Dinner on Friday will take place at Haus des Deutschen Weines. The quaint restaurant serves a variety of famous local specialties including both food and wine. It is located near Mainz Cathedral and next to the state theater. To get there, take the bus to "Höfchen". Our last dinner will be on Saturday in Weinhaus Wilhelmi. It offers a variety of different local dishes and a wide range of local wines and is just within a stone's throw of the river Rhine. To get to Weinhaus Wilhelmi, take the bus to "Rheingoldhalle/Rathaus" and walk about a hundred yards along the main road. If you are unsure how to find the respective restaurants, please feel free to join our group and go there individually.