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ISO/TC 211 17th Plenary meeting in Berlin, Germany on 2003-10-27/31 First logistic information

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to welcome you in Berlin to the 17th plenary of ISO/TC 211 in three months time.

Berlin is a very pulsating and charming capital surrounded by forests and lakes.

The meeting place DIN and the Hotel Crowne Plaza, where we have prebooked a contingent of rooms for all of you, are located near the "Gedächtniskirche" (memorial church) , "Kurfürstendamm" (the shopping boulevard) or "Kaufhaus des Westens" (KaDeWe, the famous department store)", and are also not far from the "Reichstag" (Parliament Building), the monument "Brandenburger Tor", "Berliner Dom" (Berlin Cathedral), the famous boulevard "Unter den Linden" and the new shopping centre "Potsdamer Platz".

Logistical information with links to interesting topics can be found below.

If there are still any questions or you need support, please do not hesitate to contact the Organization Committee at DIN (Ms. Balada, astrid.balada@din.de). We will be eager to make your stay in Berlin as successful and pleasant as possible.

We look forward to welcoming you to Berlin, Germany.

Building and Civil Engineering Standards Committee of DIN
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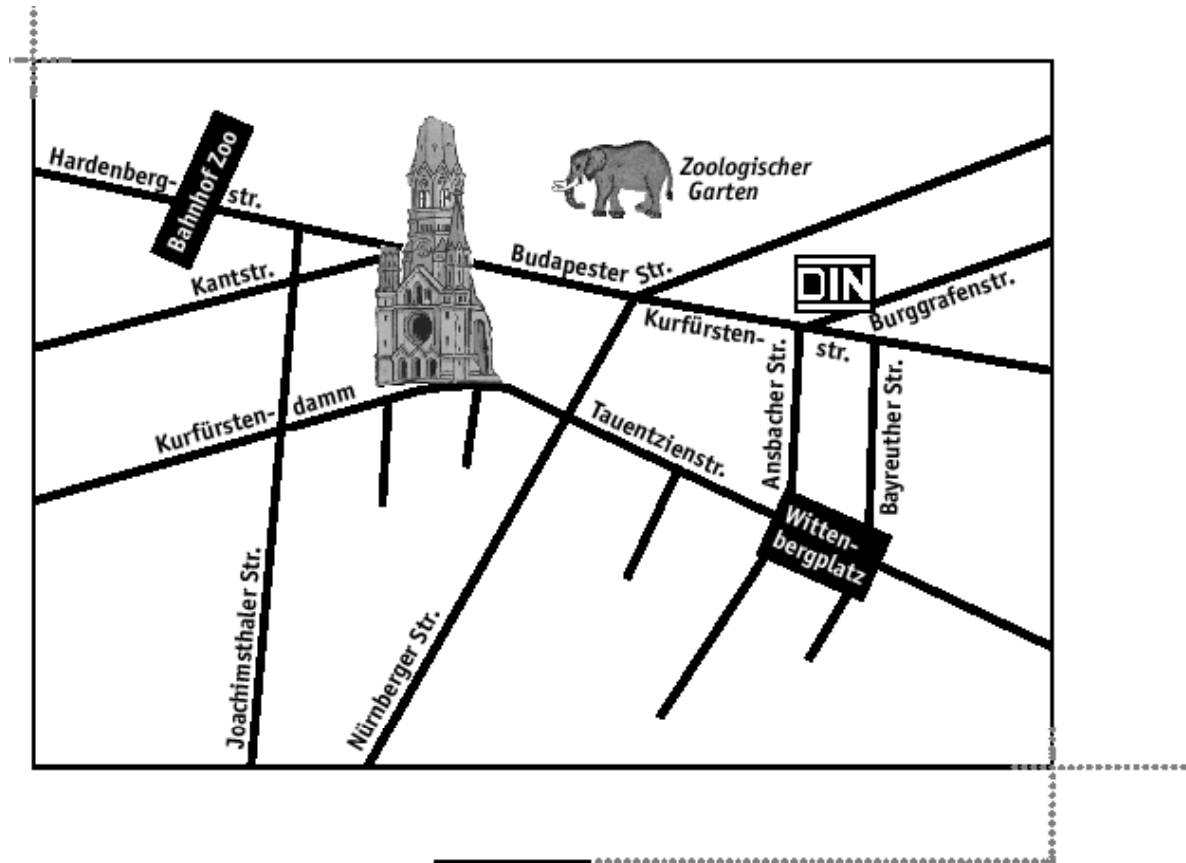
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Travel information

How to get to DIN

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Burggrafenstrasse 6, in the
Tiergarten district of Berlin
Fon +49 302601-2541 (Ms. Balada)
<http://www.din.de>



DIN is situated in the central west part of the city.

Next Underground (U-Bahn) station: Wittenbergplatz, from there it is a 5 minute walk.

Next mainline station and city railway (S-Bahn) station:

Zoologischer Garten, from there it is a 10 minutes walk, or the No.100 bus can be taken to Bayreuther Strasse (opposite DIN).

From the airports:

Tegel (TXL): Take the No.109 bus or the No.X9 bus. A taxi to DIN costs approx. 15 €

Schönefeld (SXF): Take the Airport Express Train or S9 line on S-Bahn to Zoologischer Garten. A taxi to DIN costs 30 €.

Tempelhof (THF): Take the No.119 bus or U-Bahn to Wittenbergplatz .A taxi to DIN costs 13 €

Normal tickets enable you to travel anywhere on the city transport system for 2 hours. All tickets must be stamped at the start of your journey. Ticket vending machines also sell special tickets (e. g. a 24-hour ticket).

Please use the following link for more information about the traffic system in Berlin:

<http://www.berliner-verkehr.de/traffic.htm>

Parking facilities are available in the car park at DIN. Access is from Budapester Straße 31.

The best choice is a direct flight to **Berlin-Tegel (TXL)**. If it is impossible, choose a connecting flight from your arrival airport to Berlin-Tegel:

From **Frankfurt airport** there is a railway connection to **Berlin-Zoologischer Garten** via Frankfurt Hauptbahnhof (main station). The local railway service (S-Bahn), lines No. 8 or 9, runs from Frankfurt airport to Frankfurt Hauptbahnhof (direction Frankfurt Hauptbahnhof or Hanau) every 10 minutes. An ICE (Intercity Express) service operates between Frankfurt Hauptbahnhof and Berlin-Zoologischer Garten, leaving Frankfurt at 13 min past each hour (e. g. 8:13, 9:13, etc.). Travel time is four hours.

For details please contact <http://www.bahn.de>.

An English timetable is available from <http://reiseauskunft.bahn.de/bin/query.exe/e>.

Meeting place and accommodation

The meeting place DIN and the hotel Crowne Plaza Berlin City Centre are located in the centre of Berlin and about 10 minutes walk away from the Berlin-Zoologischer Garten railway- and bus station.

Meeting place

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10787 Berlin, Germany

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Fax:: +49 30 2601-1180

E-Mail: astrid.balada@din.de

Contact: Ms. Astrid Balada

The plenary, WG meetings and all PT meetings will be held in the DIN building.

For local details please contact

<http://www2.din.de/index.php?lang=en>

<http://www.berlinonline.de/citymap/explorer>

Accommodation

A contingent of hotel rooms for all participants has been reserved near the DIN building (distance 200 m) in:

Crowne Plaza Berlin City Centre

Nuernberger Strasse 65

10787 Berlin

Tel: +49 30 21 00 70

Fax +49 30 21 32 00 9

Email: info@cp-berlin.com

<http://www.crowneplaza.de/index1.htm>

For further information about the hotel the file "Hotel_location" is available.

The prices 119.- Euro (incl. breakfast) is a special rate and will be guaranteed until **2003-09-15**.

Please book your room directly at the hotel as soon as possible using the reservation key *ISO/TC 211*.

Currency and credit cards

- The currency in Germany is the Euro (EUR or €). The current exchange rate is around 85 € for 100 US\$.
An interactive currency table is available by <http://www.xe.net/currency/table.htm>
- Major credit cards such as American Express, Visa, Master Card, Eurocard and Diners Club are widely accepted. Exchanges are very common places throughout Berlin and Germany and generally accept a wide range of cards.

Climate

The weather at the end of October can be beautiful with temperatures up to 12°C (54°F), but it can also be rainy with temperatures around 0° C (32°F).

Daylight saving time

Please note that on the 26th October the daylight saving time will end.

Passport/Visa

Passport: Foreign visitors wishing to enter Germany should have a valid passport (6 months validity).

Visa: Most visitors for sightseeing and meetings with confirmed outbound tickets may stay in Germany up to 30 days without visa. Visitors from some countries need a visa, for example: China, Russia, South Africa, Thailand. Please contact the German Embassy in your country if you need a visa.

Delegates requiring a visa for entering Germany are kindly requested to make the necessary applications soon enough (8 weeks or more) through the nearest German Embassy.

DIN is willing to issue individual letters of invitation upon request, if necessary.

Please note that the delegations requiring letters of invitation for visas should send the following information by e-mail after registration as soon as possible to astrid.balada@din.de

- Name
- Sex: Male/Female
- Date of birth (dd-mm-yyyy)
- Company/organization
- Address
- Your designation/title in company/organization
- Passport no & date of expiry (dd-mm-yyyy)
- Fax
- E-mail

Further Information

- **Rental cars**

Rental cars are available at Berlin-Tegel airport or other places in the city. Delegates are responsible for bookings and costs.

- **Insurances**

The organisers and hosts do not take any responsibility for accidents, losses and or damages that may occur. Delegates are advised to obtain travel, medical, personal accident and luggage insurances in their home countries prior to departure.

- **Tipping**

Tipping is not obligatory. It is at your own discretion and only for good service. As a guide, add 10 % to a restaurant or taxi bill.

- **Tourist information and sightseeing tours**

Local sightseeing tours and tourist information will be available within the precincts of the hotel for Berlin and the surroundings. All arrangements should be made and paid individually. It is the intention of the organization committee to have an information point for local sightseeing tours and tourist information at the meeting place too.

General tourist and accommodation information about Berlin is available from the following website:

<http://www.berlin.de/english/index.html>

Further information about

- the workshop "Standards in Action", other professional activities
- social events and
- travel possibilities in the Berlin region and in Germany in general

will follow.

Hotel Location



„The New Berlin“ and the **Crowne Plaza Berlin City Centre** are awaiting your arrival and invite you to discover the pulsating capital city. Enjoy the central location of our hotel, in the heart of the city close to the famous KADEWE, the sport center “NIKE-Town” and the boulevard Kurfürstendamm, and take advantage of the outstanding shopping opportunities and various offers of entertainment.

The transportation links are optimal: The main train station “Zoologischer Garten” can be reached in 5 minutes and the airport “Tegel” in 20 minutes. The fairgrounds, as well as the ICC (International Congress Center) are only 4 km away.

By car (from all directions):

Take the "Berliner Ring" over the freeway (Stadtautobahn) to exit "ICC". Turn right on "Neue Kantstraße" in direction "Zentrum". Straight ahead to "Budapester Straße". Turn right. Go through the tunnel, then turn right at the third traffic signal into the "Nürnberger Straße."

By airplane:

Our hotel is reachable by taxi within 20 to 30 minutes from all three airports: Tegel (TXL), Schönefeld (SXF) and Tempelhof (THF).

By train:

Located just 5 minutes walking distance from the main train station “Zoologischer Garten”.

Accommodations

Our 425 comfortable and luxuriously furnished smoking and non-smoking rooms and suites are equipped with individually controllable air-conditioning, telephone, cable TV, radio, computer and fax hook-up, mini-bar, trouser press, bathrobe, a security lock system as well as coffee- and tee-making facilities.

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Conference Facilities

Our new conference center offers the perfect venue for a successful conference accommodating up to 1000 persons, a ceiling height of 4,50 m, as well as rooms with natural lighting. All 10 meeting rooms are equipped with the most modern technical equipment available and easily adaptable to all requirements.

Additionally, a new business center, which was specially designed by experts, is at your disposal 24 hours a day. PC with printer, telefax, copier, and many other business aids like fax-, modem-, and internet hook-up enable you make adjustments during your conference at a moment's notice.

Restaurant / Bar

In our *Wilson's* Restaurant we prepare a variety of light, contemporary dishes for your dining pleasure. Specialties from Berlin and Brandenburg will tantalize your taste buds in our "gemütlich" comfortable *Pinte*. The greater part of our products are purchased from local markets which guarantees a higher quality of our meals and offers more variety.

Our *Kemmons* bar is a favorite meeting spot where you can round off the evening with one of our international cocktails.

Fitness and Leisure

Relax and „recharge your batteries“ in our new wellness area with 14 of the most modern fitness machines, swimming pool, sauna and solarium. Upon request we can make an appointment for you with our masseur.

A variety of vitamin-enriched drinks and snacks are on offer as well at our pool bar to help revitalize you.