

13th Global Dialogue Platform on Anticipatory Humanitarian Action

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Logistics and travel guide

The **13th Global Dialogue Platform on Anticipatory Humanitarian Action** is a hybrid event, offering opportunities for both in-person and online engagement.

As you have confirmed your participation in person in Berlin, we are pleased to provide you with this logistics and travel guide to support your preparations for the event.

We also recognize that circumstances may change, and as such, you will have the flexibility to join the event online should you be unable to attend all three days in person. Further details on accessing the online platform will be shared with you in the coming weeks.

Venue

The 13th Global Dialogue Platform will be held at the venue **Alte Münze Berlin**, located in the heart of Berlin, at **Molkenmarkt 2**.



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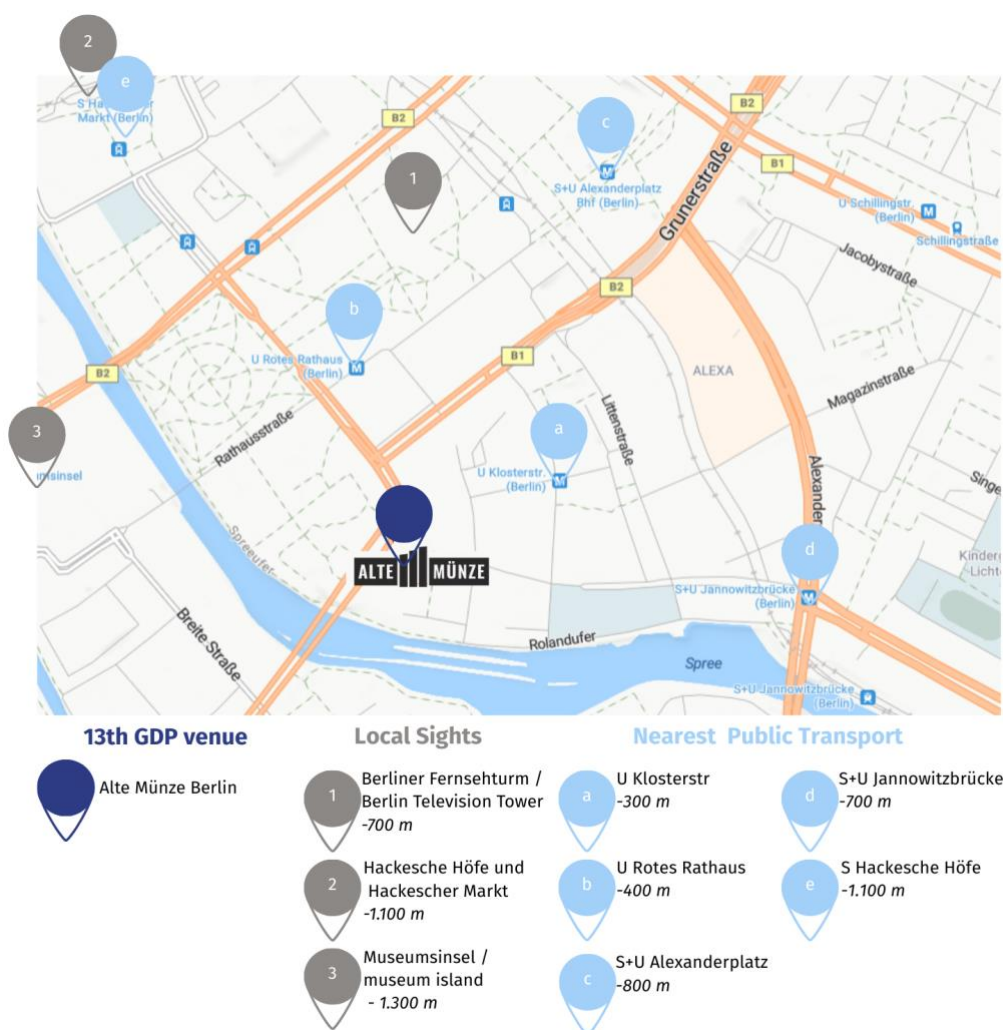
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About the location

The Alte Münze is a former mint located on the banks of the Spree River in Berlin-Mitte. It has been transformed into a space for artists, cultural creators, young creatives, the local community, NGOs, and anyone interested in engaging with the arts.

Today, the Alte Münze is a growing home for an interdisciplinary community, representing the forward-thinking reuse of historic urban spaces. It fosters a diverse city culture, promoting solidarity and collaboration among projects with different goals and backgrounds. For more information about the venue, please visit: [Alte Münze Berlin – Das Kulturquartier in Berlin](#).



The Venue's Surroundings



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Accessibility

The areas used by the conference in the venue are fully accessible, featuring a wheelchair lifts. These amenities ensure that guests with mobility challenges can easily navigate the space, making the venue entirely barrier-free and inclusive for all attendees.

Public Transport

Several nearby public transport stops connect the venue conveniently with the rest of Berlin.

Tickets for Berlin's public transport system are easy to purchase at ticket machines located inside metro stations. These machines accept both cash and cards and offer instructions in multiple languages. **Remember to validate your ticket before boarding**, as fines for unvalidated tickets can be high.

Alternatively, you can book tickets via the [*Deutsche Bahn \(DB\)* app](#), which provides in-app ticket purchases and real-time connection information, or through the [DB website](#).

Once validated, tickets are valid across all modes of public transport—metro (*U-Bahn*), suburban trains (*S-Bahn*), buses, and trams—within the selected zone and time period. The venue is located in **Zone A** (central Berlin).

For more details, visit the [Berlin public transport website \(BVG\)](#).

Please note: It is not possible—and illegal—to board public transport without a valid ticket. Be sure to purchase and validate your ticket before you travel

Nearest Public Transport:

- U Klosterstr -300 m
- U Rotes Rathaus -400 m
- S+U Alexanderplatz -800 m
- S+U Jannowitzbrücke -700 m
- S Hackesche Höfe -1.100 m

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Travelling to Berlin

Participants are responsible for arranging and financing their own travel and accommodation.

Hotels

For availability reasons, we recommend booking your hotel early, especially if you'd like to stay close to the venue. You can find an overview about hotels and accommodations on [city Berlin's official website](#).

Here's a list of hotels we recommend:

1. Holiday Inn Express Berlin Alexanderplatz

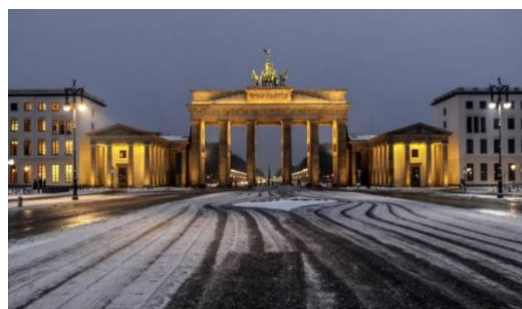
- 3 minutes walking distance to the venue
- Price: Ca. 142 € per night, breakfast included

2. Novotel Berlin Mitte

- 7 minutes walking distance to the venue
- Price: Ca. 140 € per night, breakfast included

3. Motel One Berlin

- Various locations in Berlin - Easy Access to venue from
 - Hackescher Markt, Alexanderplatz, Spittelmarkt
- Price: Ca. 90 - 110 € per night



Getting to Berlin by Train

Berlin is easily accessible by train from many major European cities, with numerous long-distance connections available. The city's central station, *Berlin Hauptbahnhof*, is located in the heart of the city and just a **15-minute journey by public transport** from the conference venue.

For available rail connections and bookings, we recommend visiting the website of the German train provider Deutsche Bahn ([DB website](#)) or their [Deutsche Bahn \(DB\) application](#).

Additional travel planning resources include:

- [Seat61 – Train travel in Germany](#)
- [Omio – Compare and book trains, buses, and flights](#)

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Arriving by Plane

Berlin is served by *Berlin Brandenburg Airport (BER)*, located just outside the city. From the airport, the city centre is easily accessible by public transport:

- **Airport Express (FEX)** and **regional trains** run every 15 minutes.
- The **S-Bahn lines S9 and S45** also connect the airport to various parts of the city.
- **Buses X7 and X71** offer additional options for reaching the city.

Taxis are readily available at BER, with an average fare of **60–80 euros** to the city center.

For more information about Berlin Brandenburg Airport, visit: <https://ber.berlin-airport.de/en.html>.

About Berlin

Berlin's weather in December

December in Berlin is a time of crisp air. Here is a short summary of what to expect and what to pack.

Temperature & Conditions:

- **Average Highs:** Around 3°C (37°F)
- **Average Lows:** Approximately -1°C (30°F)
- **Extremes:** Temperatures can occasionally dip to -11°C (12°F) or rise to 13°C (55°F)
- **Cloud Cover:** Expect overcast or mostly cloudy skies about 73% of the time
- **Precipitation:** There's a 26% chance of daily precipitation, with December being the month with the highest rainfall, averaging 51mm over 15 days
- **Snowfall:** Snow is possible

What to Pack

- **Clothing:** Warm layers, including thermal wear, sweaters, and a heavy coat
- **Accessories:** Gloves, scarves, and a hat to protect against the cold
- **Footwear:** Waterproof boots are advisable due to potential snow and rain

Language

Berlin is a diverse and cosmopolitan city. You will find that many people you meet will speak good English. Public information (e.g. on public transport) is always available in English, as well as German.

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Electricity

Germany uses two plug types: C and F. Type C has two round pins; type F has two round pins with two earth clips at the side. Adaptors are widely available within the city. Germany operates on a 230V supply voltage and 50Hz.



Eating and drinking

Berlin cuisine is best known for kebabs and currywurst, but the city has much more to offer! [Explore this list of Berlin Delicacies that visitors have to try.](#)

With your conference taking place near Möllenmarkt, you're in a great spot to explore authentic flavors and hidden local gems within walking distance or a short tram ride.

For a local experience, visit for example the [Arminius Market Hall](#) in Moabit. This market hall combines nostalgia and tradition, offering a large selection of fresh produce, diverse restaurants, and gourmet crafts. In the evenings, the market hall transforms into a vibrant spot for various activities and events.

Many smaller eateries and market stalls prefer cash—keep some on hand or enjoy the larger restaurants.

Berlin in December

Christmas Markets - A Festive Tradition You Can't Miss

Every December, Berlin transforms into a sparkling winter wonderland with over 80 Christmas markets (called Weihnachtsmärkte) spread across the city. These markets are a cherished German tradition—offering visitors a warm, cozy, and festive experience filled with lights, music, food, and local crafts.



Other Options include:

Berlin's music scene, both classical and modern, is justifiably famous. Consider booking yourself a concert at one of the many concert houses or live music venues.



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Visit the Museumsinsel: Cold weather is ideal for indoor cultural visits—Berlin’s Museum Island is a UNESCO site with five world-class museums.

Take a free Audio Tour of Berlin: If you want to brave the cold instead, you may choose to take a free walking tour to learn more about the history and life in Berlin.

Visit the Reichstag Dome: Book in advance for panoramic city views (especially magical at dusk).

Have fun at the Ice Rinks: During the Christmas season Berlin has several Ice Rinks you in front of stunning backdrops that will let you live the city fully.

Relax in a café: Berlin’s café culture shines in winter. Sip a coffee in places like *Five Elephant*, *Bonanza*, or *Father Carpenter*.

If you are interested in exploring more of Berlin

Berlin is one of the world’s leading travel destinations, offering a wealth of attractions for visitors. The following websites provide useful information on events and activities during your visit: www.berlin.de/en and www.visitberlin.de/en

We look forward to welcoming you to Berlin!