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## 2nd Biodiversity Knowledge Conference

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### Practical information

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## 1. CONFERENCE VENUE

Jerusalemkirche/ Jerusalem Church  
Lindenstr. 85  
10969 Berlin  
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info@besondere-orte.com

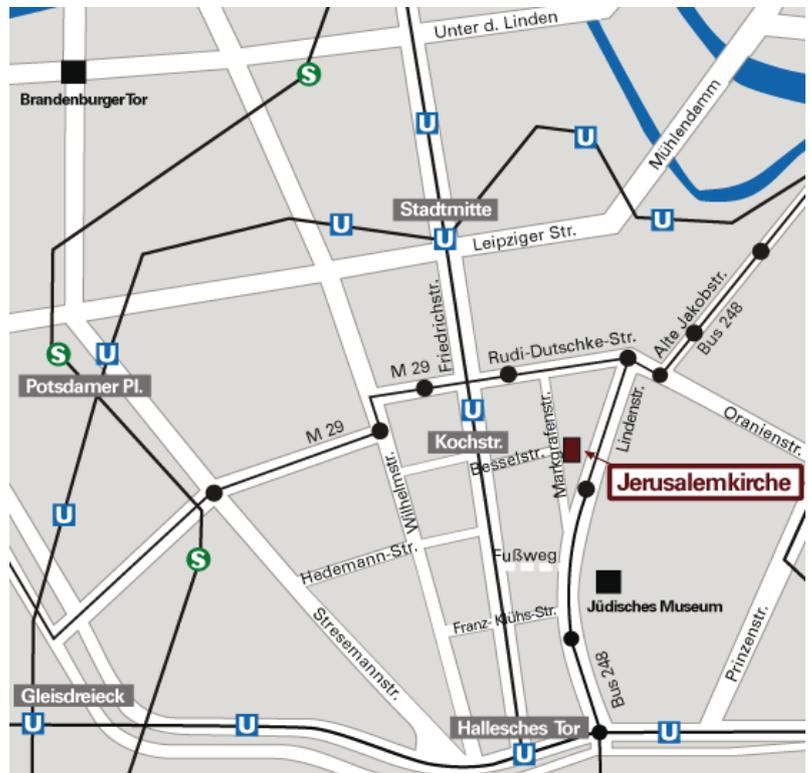
Link to conference venue:

[http://besondere-orte.com/eventlocations/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=57&Itemid=66&lang=en](http://besondere-orte.com/eventlocations/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=57&Itemid=66&lang=en)

Unrestricted access: Jerusalem Church is accessible at street level and has facilities for wheelchair users.

WiFi is available at the venue:

- Network name:  
„Besondere Orte Jerus“
- Password: „Jerus\_1968“
- (if asked for encoding, choose „WPA“)



## 2. TRAVEL INFORMATION

At your arrival, you will receive a pass for all public transport. This pass will be valid on all metro and bus lines for 48 hours (starting at 17h30 on day 1).

In the email of confirmation, you have also received a map of the Berlin public transport (only underground trains, no busses listed on that map) as a pdf. Please note that important construction work on the U6 metro line is interrupting the traffic. Please check the suggested options to reach the venue, see below.

For further information on Berlin's public transport options, please check out the following website:

<http://www.bvg.de/index.php/en/index.html>

**Stations nearby the Jerusalemkirche are:**

Subway **U1**, station „Hallesches Tor“ (10-15 mins walk to Jerusalemkirche)

Subway **U6**, station “Kochstrasse” (10 mins walk to Jerusalemkirche)

Bus **M29** and Bus **248**, station “Lindenstr./Oranienstr.” (5 mins walk to Jerusalemkirche)

### a) From the Central Station ("Hauptbahnhof") to the conference venue

There are mainly 3 options to reach Jerusalemkirche from the Central Station:

#### Option 1:

**Bus M41** (direction: "Sonnenallee/Baumschulenstr.") to "Anhalter Bahnhof" then

**Bus M29** (direction: „Hermannplatz“) to "Lindenstr./Oranienstr."

#### Option 2:

**S75** (direction: „Wartenberg“) to „Alexanderplatz“

walk about 5mins to "Alexanderplatz Bhf/Grunerstr"., then

**Bus 248** (direction: „Breitenbachplatz“, via Südkreuz) to "Lindenstr./Oranienstr."

#### Option 3:

**S5/S7/S75** from "Hauptbahnhof" to "Friedrichstraße"

**U6** (direction "Alt-Mariendorf") to "Kochstraße" → **BUT:** the U6 subway line is **interrupted due to construction work** (see Berlin subway map). You would therefore have to walk from "Friedrichstraße" to the next U6 stop ("Französische Straße").

### b) from airport Schönefeld (SXF):

#### **To the central station by airport express:**

Between 4.30 a.m. and 11 p.m. the regional trains RE7 and RB14 called "Airport Express", travel in 30 minute intervals between Schönefeld Airport and Berlin-Charlottenburg with stops at "Ostbahnhof", "Alexanderplatz", Berlin Central Station ("Hauptbahnhof") and "Zoologischer Garten". It takes about 15 minutes to get to "Ostbahnhof" with the Airport Express and 30 minutes to get to Berlin Central Station ("Hauptbahnhof").

Note: Schönefeld Airport is located in fare zone C. To get to the city center an ABC ticket is required.

#### **To the central station by regular public transport:**

From the train station at Schönefeld Airport the S-Bahn lines S9 and S45 run to the city center. Travellers who want to get to Berlin Central Station ("Hauptbahnhof") can take the S9 until the station "Ostkreuz" and then change to the S-Bahn lines S3, S5, S7 or S75 which stop at Central Station ("Hauptbahnhof").

#### **To Jerusalemkirche by taxi:**

A taxi from Schönefeld airport to the Jerusalemkirche will roughly cost 40€.

Note: taxi drivers in Germany usually expect a tip of around 10% of the fare.

For further info on Airport Schönefeld, see

<http://www.berlin.de/en/airports-and-stations/1872375-2932875-airport-berlin-schoenefeld-sxf.en.html>

### c) from airport Tegel (TXL)

Tegel Airport has no direct link to the S-or U-Bahn (subway), but is connected through busses.

#### To the central station by TXL Express Bus

The TXL bus travels in five-or ten-minute intervals between Tegel Airport and "Alexanderplatz" (via Berlin Central Station "Hauptbahnhof"), and leaves right in front of the terminal. Depending on the time of day the ride from the airport to Berlin Central Station ("Hauptbahnhof") takes around 30 minutes.

#### To Jerusalemkirche by taxi:

A taxi from Tegel airport to the Jerusalemkirche will roughly cost 30€.

Note: taxi drivers in Germany usually expect a tip of around 10% of the fare.

For further information on Airport Tegel, see

<http://www.berlin.de/en/airports-and-stations/1872399-2932875-airport-berlin-tegel-txl.en.html>

## 3. ACCOMMODATION

**As September is part of the high season in Berlin, we strongly advise you to book your accommodation as soon as possible.**

Please find below three suggested nearby hotels.

More hotels can of course be found in the surroundings and can either be booked directly or be booked on [www.booking.com](http://www.booking.com), [www.expedia.de](http://www.expedia.de), etc..

*Please note that the name of the venue quarter/district is "Berlin Kreuzberg".*

<i>Hotel name</i>	<b>Relaxa Hotel</b>
<i>Address</i>	Anhalter Strasse 8-9, 10963 Berlin
<i>phone</i>	+49 (0) 30 26 483 0
<i>email</i>	Booking: reservierung.berlin@relaxa-hotel.de General inquiries: kontakt@relaxa-hotel.de
<i>Website</i>	<a href="http://www.relaxa-hotels.de/en">www.relaxa-hotels.de/en</a>
<i>Distance to Jerusalemkirche (conference venue)</i>	1km walking distance
<i>Suggested Price for both nights (single room)</i>	220,00 for both nights, including breakfast

<i>Hotel name</i>	<b>NH Berlin Potsdamer Platz</b>
<i>Address</i>	Stresemannstr. 47, 10963 Berlin
<i>phone</i>	+49 (0)30 2250710
<i>email</i>	nhberlinpotsdamerplatz@nh-hotels.com
<i>Website</i>	http://www.nh-hotels.com/nh/en/hotels/germany/berlin/nh-berlin-potsdamer-platz.html
<i>Distance to Jerusalemkirche (conference venue)</i>	850m walking distance
<i>Suggested price for both nights (single room)</i>	178,00€ for both nights, including breakfast

<i>Hotel name</i>	<b>Ibis Berlin City Potsdamer Platz</b>
<i>Address</i>	Anhalter Str. 4, Kreuzberg, 10963 Berlin
<i>phone</i>	(+49)30/261050
<i>email</i>	<a href="mailto:h3752@accor.com">h3752@accor.com</a>
<i>Website</i>	www.ibis.com/gb/hotel-3752-ibis-berlin-city-potsdamer-platz/index.shtml
<i>Distance to Jerusalemkirche (conference venue)</i>	1,1km walking distance
<i>Suggested price for both nights (single room)</i>	178,00€ for both nights, including breakfast

A low budget alternative nearby you could check out (with no reservation made from our side):

<i>Hotel name</i>	<b>Check-In Hostel</b>
<i>Address</i>	Markgrafenstraße 68, 10969 Berlin
<i>phone</i>	+49- (0) 30-25923797
<i>email</i>	info@check-in-hostel.de
<i>Website</i>	http://www.check-in-hostel.de/default.aspx?lang=en
<i>Distance to Jerusalemkirche (conference venue)</i>	280m walking distance
<i>Price range</i>	Starting from 6€ per night for dormitories, breakfast is 4,90€
<i>Rooms</i>	Only dormitories available, check website for more information

## 4. CONFERENCE DINNER ON TUESDAY EVENING

### Location:

Museum für Naturkunde (Natural History Museum)

address: Invalidenstrasse 43, 10115 Berlin

<http://www.naturkundemuseum-berlin.de/en/>

### How to get there:

Further details about the dinner and on how to get there., will be provided later.

## 5. INSIDERS' RESTAURANT TIPS FOR OTHER EVENINGS

### **Carolin's favourite restaurant: *Bejte Ethiopia***

Said to be Berlin's most authentic Ethiopian restaurant. Holds an Ethiopian coffee ceremony nightly at 8pm. If the weather is warm, you can sit in the beer garden under trees.

Address: Zietenstrasse 8, 10783 Berlin

Phone: Landline: +49-(0)30 262 59 33; Mobile: +49-(0)173 619 04 79

website (in German): <http://www.bejte-ethiopia.de/restaurant.html>

### How to get there:

from the conference venue, walk 10-15 mins to the subway (U-Bahn) station "Hallesches Tor". From there, take the **U1** (direction "Uhlandstrasse") to the station "Nollendorfplatz", and walk 2 minutes to the Bejte Ethiopia in Zietenstrasse 8 (see map).



### **Marie's favourite restaurant: *Savage***

Perfect time-travel after the dinner with the dinosaurs at the Natural history Museum, the restaurant Savage is the first Paleolithic restaurant in the whole world. There you will be acquainted with the Paleo Cuisine, which is based on "the dietary habits of our prehistoric ancestors, but does not mimic how prehistoric man ate. The modern Paleo cook combines evolutionary science with contemporary cuisine and ancestral cooking methods. The Prehistoric Kitchen works exclusively with natural, unprocessed foods, excluding any processed ingredients developed after the start of agriculture." The staffs are extremely friendly and will answer all your questions on the principles behind their cuisine! Better to

book in advance as the restaurant is very popular! More info in English at <http://sauvageberlin.com/en/index.php>

Address: Pflügerstrasse 25, 12047 – Berlin

Phone: 0049 3053167547

How to get there:

From the conference venue, walk 450m to bus station Lindenstr./Oranienstr. Then take bus **M29** direction U Hermannplatz and stop at Pflügerstr. station. The restaurant will be 50 m away from the bus stop. From door to door, the journey takes ca 25 min...but worth it!

**Carsten's favourite restaurants:**

***Brasserie am Gendarmenmarkt:***

Nice and cosy place, near to Gendarmenmarkt with the "French and German Cathedral", good variety of foods.

address: Taubenstraße 30, 10117 Berlin

phone: 030/20453501

website: <http://www.brasserieamgendarmenmarkt.de/>

How to get there:

Just take the **U6** for one stop from "Kochstraße" to "Stadtmitte".

***Quchnia:***

If you only want something small to eat, and sit directly at Gendarmenmarkt, Quchnia is a nice, slightly alternative café with some interesting drinks.

address: Markgrafenstr. 35, 10117 Berlin

phone: 030 2060 9286

website: <http://www.quchnia.de/>

How to get there:

Just take the **U6** for one stop from "Kochstraße" to "Stadtmitte".

## 6. GENERAL INFORMATION

German summer time is GMT+2.

Temperature/weather:

<http://www.weather.com/weather/tenday/Berlin+Germany+GMXX0007>

Lunch, coffee and the conference dinner will be offered by BiodiversityKnowledge.

A pass for the public transport will also be provided.

You find general touristic information about Berlin at:

<http://www.berlin.de/en/> and <http://www.visitberlin.de/en>

## 7. CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the organizing team any time at:

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