PRACTICAL INFORMATION

37th WSCF GENERAL ASSEMBLY
BERLIN, GERMANY

Dear Delegate,

The summer in Germany is getting near and we are looking forward to welcoming you in Berlin at the 37th General Assembly of the World Student Christian Federation.

We are currently preparing everything necessary to guarantee a great event and would like to help you prepare for your stay in Germany as well.

Stay safe

During the summer months, the general corona situation in Germany is quite calm. The majority of citizens are now fully vaccinated, have had a booster shot or have already recovered from being ill. There is by far no shortage of medical equipment or hospital capacity to treat eventual cases.

All GA delegates have been vaccinated and we ask you to act respectfully and responsibly regarding all COVID regulations.

Before you travel with public transport in Germany, we ask you to **take a covid test at the airport** of your arrival. We will further inform you on the test facilities soon along with the details of the GA's sanitary protocol.

In all trains of **public transport, wearing FFP2/N95 masks is mandatory**. In other places, you will likely find people voluntarily wearing masks as well. Masks can easily be purchased at any drugstore ("Drogerie"); the same is true for hand sanitizer and antigen rapid tests, as well.

Out and about in Berlin

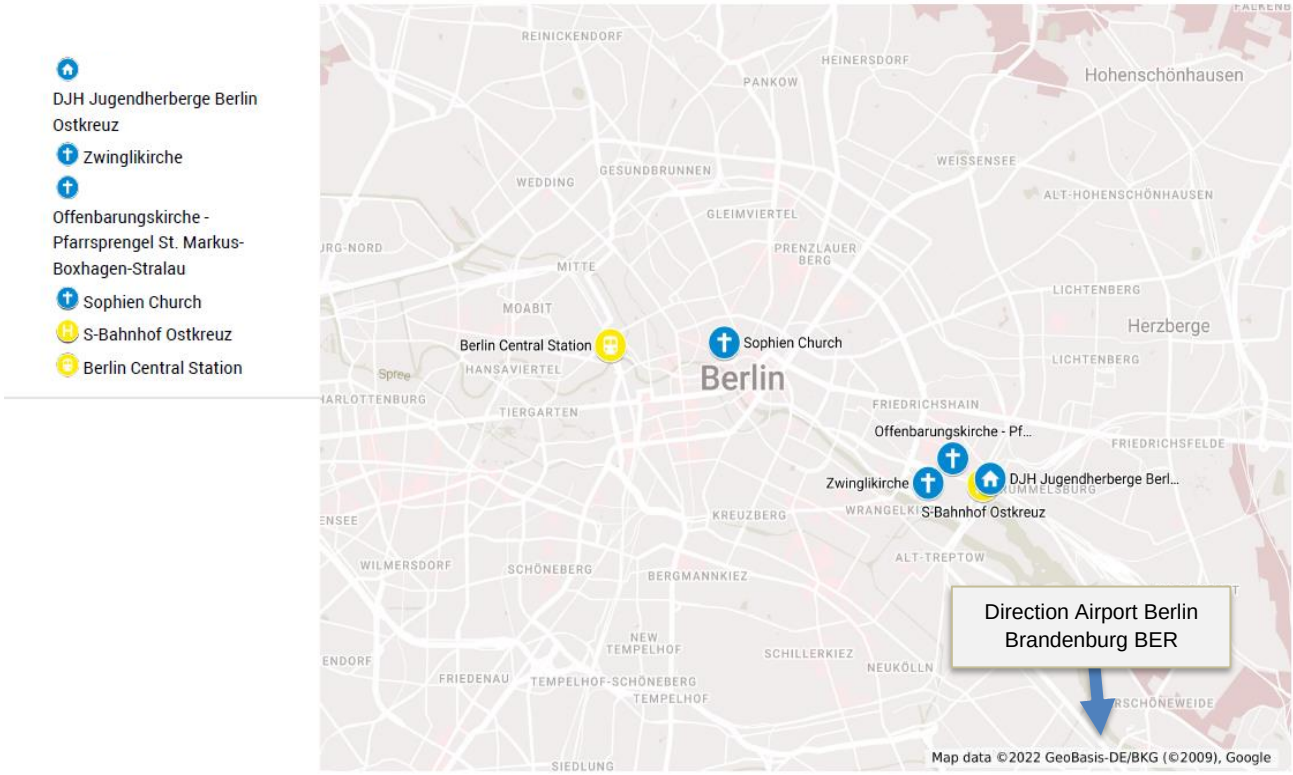
Whether your plane to Germany will arrive in Frankfurt or Berlin-Brandenburg, we will make sure you easily find your way to the main accommodation – the **youth hostel "Jugendherberge Berlin Ostkreuz"**.

Look out for the stewards from WSCF in their vests. They will guide you through the public transport to the youth hostel.

For all regional trains there is one singular ticket valid for the whole GA, which **we will provide if your arrival is on the arrival day June 23rd**.

If you arrive individually please also purchase this famous 9€-T. This is the best way to travel in Germany during June, July and August. If you also **keep the receipt**, we will gladly refund you the ticket. (Please note that you cannot use this ticket in interregional trains marked: ICE, IC, EC)

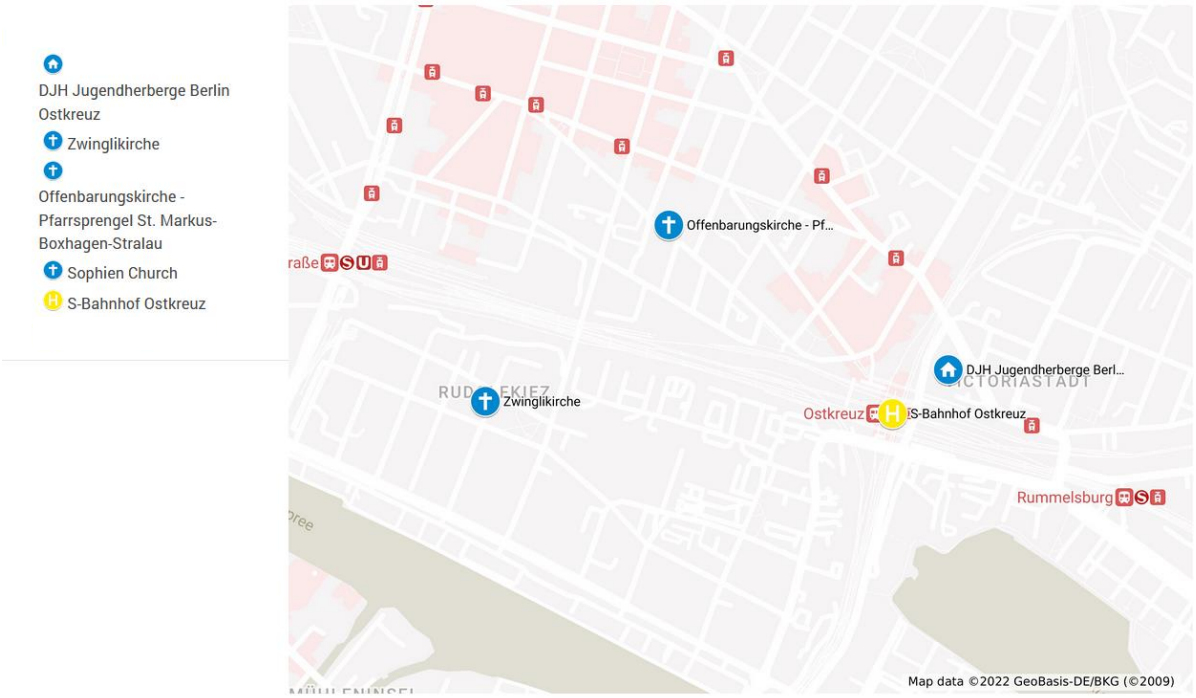
Find further information on the ticket here: https://www.bahn.com/en/offers/regional/9-euro-ticket-en



Be our guest

We'd like to introduce you to some of the places you will get to know during the assembly:

Youth Hostel „Berlin Ostkreuz" Jugendherberge Berlin Ostkreuz	Berlin's largest youth hostel with over 400 beds, 16 meeting rooms and a large auditorium. This will be your main accommodation. Also the orientation and smaller workshops will take place here.	Jugendherberge Berlin Ostkreuz Marktstsraße 9-12 10317 Berlin
Zwingli Church Zwinglikirche	Former protestant church from 1904/05 turned cultural venue, honouring the swiss reformer Huldrych Zwingli. This will be the place for most plenary sessions and worships, with 20min walking distance from the youth hostel.	Zwinglkirche Rudolfstraße 14 10245 Berlin
Revelation Church Offenbarungskirche	Smaller, wooden church from 1948/49 with a nice adjacent garden. We will use this venue for some workshops as well as the Intercultural Evening.	Offenbarungskirche Simplonstraße 31-37 10245 Berlin



…and don't forget your toothbrush

For your packing please note the average temperature for **Berlin in June is 13°-21°C**, a couple of **rainy days** are also possible.

For your **electrical appliances**: The standard voltage in Germany is 230V with 50Hz. More information on plugs and adapters can be found here:
https://www.power-plugs-sockets.com/in/germany/

All of tap water in Germany is potable, however if you see **this sign at public water sources, it means "Not potable water"**. (e.g for non-potable water in trains and fountains) →

We encourage you to also pack **black clothes**, so we can honour the campaign "**Thursdays in black**" as a group during the GA. You can find further information on the movement here:
https://www.oikoumene.org/what-we-do/thursdays-in-black

Program Sneak Peak

With the 3rd Memo of the WSCF you already have access to the full agenda of the GA. For the Exposure Day on Tuesday the 28th our friends from the local SCM Berlin (ESG Berlin) helped us organizing tours on different topics, from which you will be able to choose. We have asked our guides to prepare:

Berlin and Religion - Diverse Berlin - Berlin during the Cold War - Berlin and National socialism - Migration in Berlin - Political Berlin.

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Please do not hesitate to contact us for any problems that might occur. The local host committee is looking forward to share a great time with you at the GA!

With best wishes from Berlin!

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See you in Berlin!

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