PRACTICAL INFORMATION

37th WSCF GENERAL ASSEMBLY
BERLIN, GERMANY

Dear delegate,

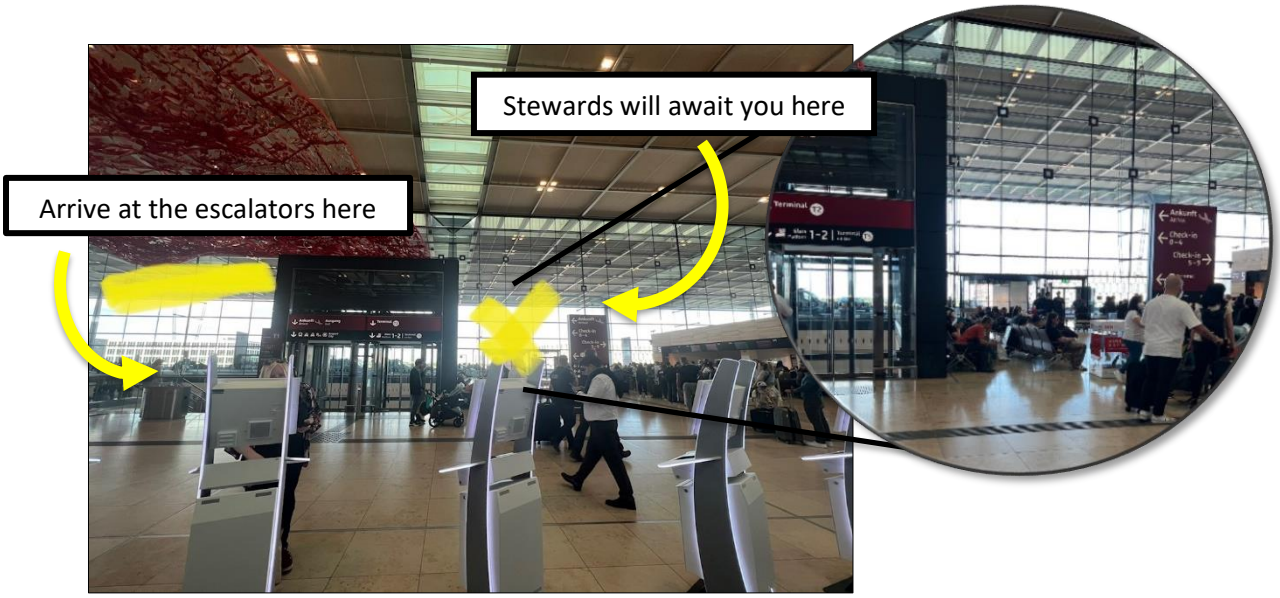
Greetings from the local host committee in Berlin. We are pleased to have you at our upcoming 37th WSCF General Assembly. Kindly find some more practical information for your stay in Germany below:

Arrivals

When you arrive at the airport in Berlin **BER on, Terminal 1 our stewards with the white vests and WSCF logo** will help you, finding the correct trains of the public transport to get to our main accommodation the youth hostel Berlin Ostkreuz.

Our steward coordinator Natalia Sarrazola from the ESG Berlin prepared the following:

From your arrival at your gate on level E0, please make your way upstairs with the **escalator to level E1**. Just turn to your left and find the steward in the **waiting area between the exit and check-in 5.**

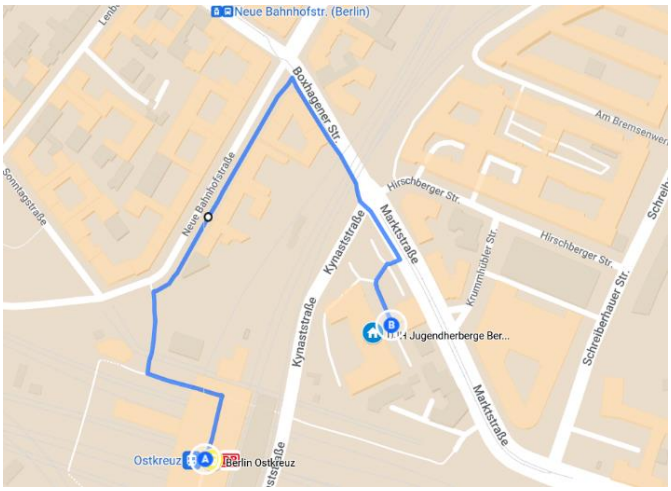


If your flight should be delayed or if you need any other assistance please call us at **0176 – 417 528 51.**

The stewards will provide you with your **9€ ticket** and a mask if you should need one.
Please **keep the ticket during the whole GA**. It can be used for all travels with the **red regional trains** and **yellow trams and busses in Berlin** (BVG). However, the ticket is not valid in the white interregional trains called IC, ICE or EC. If you purchase one individually, please make sure to **keep the formal receipt** ("Quittung") in order to get a refund later.

The stewards will guide you to the youth hostel. The easiest **route from BER to "Berlin Ostkreuz" is the Airport Express FEX**. It's a direct connection, which takes about 17min. From the Station Berlin Ostkreuz it is a short 8 min walk to the youth hostel, Marktstr. 9-12.

Airport Express FEX



Ostkreuz A - > Youth Hostel B

If you arrive on your own from any other location, please also find a connection to Berlin Ostkreuz and make sure, **not to mix up Ost<u>kreuz</u> with Ost<u>bahnhof</u>**. The latter is a different station in Berlin about 20min away from the accommodation.

Ost**bahnhof** vs. Ost**kreuz**

From the accommodation at the youth hostel you can reach the main place for our event, the **Zwingli Church** by foot or also use the 9€ ticket for the S-Bahn or Bus. We will have further details on this for you in Berlin.

Health and Safety

Again, we ask you to act responsibly regarding all COVID regulations and would like to remind you that in all trains of **public transport, wearing FFP2/N95 masks is mandatory**. This includes all trains, trams and busses.

For the arrivals until June 23rd COVID testing will be provided at the youth hostel between 4 and 7 pm. If you arrive later than that, we ask you to take an **antigen rapid test at the airport**. These so-called **"*Bürgertests*" (citizen tests) are free** for everyone staying in Germany. There also is a test centre close to the accommodation. ("Corona-Testzentrum Rummelsburg", Türrschmidtstraße 2A, 10317 Berlin)

If at any time during the GA you experience typical COVID symptoms, please precautiously wear a mask and ask the GA office for a rapid test.

If you need a PCR test before departing in your home country, please let us know through the registration from Memo 4.

Emergencies

The **emergency number** during the GA will be **0176 – 417 528 51**. This will direct you to a member of the local host team and we will help you with your urgencies regarding the GA. It will be available starting on 20.6.

For other emergencies regarding your health and safety the numbers are:

110 – for the police and **112 – for ambulance and fire department**

Calling these numbers is free from all phones in Germany, but please make sure to only use them in highly threatening situations. The authorities will arrive within minutes and if they have to come in vain, the caller will have to carry the costs.

Further Information

For the intercultural evening on 27. June we ask you **not to bring perishables that need to be refrigerated**, because we cannot facilitate a continuous cooling.

The accommodation in the youth hostel will be organized by regions in different 4-6-bed rooms.

If you should need a **launderette**, we recommend "Waschsalong Friedrichshain" which is about 6 min of walking from the youth hostel. http://www.waschsalon-friedrichshain.de (Waschsalon Friedrichshain, Lenbachstr. 1, 10245 Berlin, open 08.00 - 22.00)

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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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Important addresses at a glance:

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, honoring 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
Sophie Church Sophienkirche	Prussian-baroque church in the heart of Berlin. The 127th Anniversary will be celebrated here.	Sophienkirche Große Hamburger Str. 29/30, 10115 Berlin-Mitte