

Welcome to Berlin!

We are proud to welcome you in Berlin / Germany to this year's iCAN 2019 with more than a 100 participants from around the globe. After finalizing our registration process, we are delighted to inform you that we have selected the most outstanding profiles and expect to have a very successful event.

We have prepared 3 intensive days with a high profile agenda and vibrant social events. Everything has been planned to help you boost your talents and enrich your experience in our iCAN 2019 event, but most importantly to share your experiences with your peers. 11 different countries are represented in the 2019 iCAN event, with 30 women and 74 men coming from different career backgrounds in order to improve and to share their innovative skills.

This welcome package provides you with all details concerning the upcoming event in Berlin and your trip to Germany.

We wish you an outstanding and exciting stay in Germany, full of knowledge building, sharing, networking and fun!

Your iCAN-Team.



Agenda iCAN 2019

Schedule		
Time	Event	
Saturday, June 22nd		
14:00 - 18:00	Registration, Exhibition Set-Up	
19:00 - 22:00	Dinner Jury and Sponsors	
Sunday, June 23rd		
09:30 - 10:30	Opening Ceremony, Guest lecture speech	
10:30 - 11:00	Jury Meeting Group Photo	
11:00 - 12:30	Defense Presentation (Group A - 9 Teams)	
12:30 - 14:30	Lunch	
14:30 - 16:00	Defense Presentation (Group B - 10 Teams)	
17:00 - 17:30	Jury Meeting	
18:00 - 19:00	Award Ceremony	
19:00 - 21:00	Get Together	
Monday, June 24th		
09:30 - 17:00	Berlin Sightseeing	



Getting around in Berlin

Berlin is huge but it is well served by the public transport system. You can use the bus, tram, train (the "S-Bahn") and underground (the "U-Bahn") services to get around. Berlin uses a zone system, but you are unlikely to need to go beyond zone A and B, except on trips to Potsdam or to the Schönefeld Airport (SXF). The public transport system (U-Bahn, S-Bahn, bus, tram, regional rail) uses a common ticket.

Ticket Prices

Standard tickets (€ 2.80 for A and B) are valid for any travel within two hours of validation, in a single direction, within the appropriate fare zones. There is no limit to transfers.

Where and how to buy

You can buy a virtual ticket or a paper ticket.

Virtual or mobile tickets: Use the <u>BVG tickets app</u> (external link) to buy tickets if you have access to mobile internet. Install and open the app, register on the "My BVG" tab, set up payment, and you are ready to go.

Ticket type	INK 7000 DRICO (ROTUD ODIVI	ABC zone price (includes Schönefeld airport)
Short trip single	€1.70	n/a
Single (Standard)	€2.80	€3.40
4 single trips	€9	€13.20
Day	€7	€13.20
Small group day (up to 5 people)	€19.90	€20.80
7 day	€30	n/a

For more information please check Berliner Verkehrsbetriebe https://www.bvg.de/en/Welcome

Types of transportation

Berlin has different types of train for travel within the city: S-Bahn, and U-Bahn as well as trams and buses.

S-Bahn (S)

S-Bahn or 'Stadtschnellbahn' corresponds to 'rapid city trains'. They are faster than the U-Bahn and normally travel above ground. S-Bahn stations are labelled with a giant green 'S' and easy to find.

U-Bahn [1]

U-Bahn or 'Untergrundbahn' means 'underground railways.' They are slower than the S-Bahn trains, but stop more frequently and have many more routes. Despite their name, some do travel above ground. U-Bahn stations are labelled with a giant blue 'U' and easy to find.



Trams Tram

For historical reasons, trams are far more common in Eastern Berlin. The tram system is much slower than the U-Bahn and S-Bahn, but stops at many places train systems do not serve.

Buses

Berlin has an extensive bus service. There are more buses in Western Berlin. It is common for busses are used in place of other transportation methods if a train or tram is unable to operate. When boarding a bus, enter from the front and show the driver your (digital or physical) ticket as you go past.

Taxi

Taxis wait outside major hotels, stations, and airports round the clock. Most drivers speak some English. There's a minimum charge of 3.20€, plus 1.65€ per kilometer. Berlin is well serviced by taxis and ride sharing services. <u>Uber</u> was recently introduced and has become a popular way for tourists to get around the city. The most popular car service used by locals in Berlin, is the <u>MyTaxi app</u>. Note that the MyTaxi app calls a regular taxi, and in order to pay via the app, requires a data connection when you reach your destination.

Directions



Address: Estrel Berlin Sonnenallee 225 12057 Berlin, Germany Phone +49 30 6831 0

Airport Berlin Tegel – ESTREL Hotel

Bus TXL (direction "Alexanderplatz") to "Beusselstr.", then S41 (Ringbahn – direction clockwise) to "Sonnenallee" (Estrel) OR bus 109/ bus X9 (direction "Zoologischer Garten") to "Jungfernheide", then S-Bahn S42 (Ringbahn – direction counterclockwise) to "S-Sonnenallee" (Estrel)

- Public transport journey duration: roughly 50 minutes
- Taxi journey duration: roughly 25 minutes
- Taxi price: roughly € 40

Airport Berlin Schönefeld – ESTREL Hotel

Bus 171 from "S-Berlin-Schönefeld" to "S-Sonnenallee" OR S-Bahn S9 (direction "Spandau") to "S-Treptower Park", then S-Bahn S41 (Ringbahn – direction clockwise) to "S-Sonnenallee" (Estrel)



• Public transport journey duration: roughly 30 – 45 minutes

• Taxi journey duration: roughly 20 minutes

• Taxi price: roughly € 30

Train Station - ESTREL Hotel

Bus M41 (direction "Baumschulenstraße") to "Ziegrastraße"

any S-Bahn in the east driving in the direction "S-Ostkreuz" (S3/ S5/ S7/ S75) or "S-Treptower Park" (S9), then S-Bahn S41 (Ringbahn – direction clockwise) to "S-Sonnenallee" (Estrel)

• Public transport journey duration: roughly 30 minutes

Taxi journey duration: roughly 20 minutes

• Taxi price: roughly € 25

Hostel

All participants who have booked a hostel will stay at **a&o Berlin Kolumbus**.

The a&o Berlin Kolumbus is just 5 minutes from the Genslerstraße tram stop. Perfectly connected to public transport, the house is ideal as a starting point for extensive city sightseeing. Visit the nearby Hohenschönhausen memorial or get to Alexanderplatz in just 15 minutes.



Address:

a&o Berlin Kolumbus Genslerstraße 18 Deutschland - 13055 Berlin +49 30 209 661 6100

Airport Berlin Tegel - A&O Hostel Kolumbus Berlin

Take the bus TXL to Beusselstraße, then take the Ringbahn S41 to the Landsberger Allee. From here, take the tram M6 in the direction of Hellersdorf / Riesaer Straße, which will take you to Genslerstraße. Follow the course to Liebenwalder Straße, where our hotel is located

Airport Berlin Schönefeld – A&O Hostel Kolumbus Berlin

Take the train RB14 to Nauen and change at the station Ostkreuz. At Ostkreuz take the S-Bahn (city train) S7 to S Ahrensfelde and get off at S+U Lichtenberg Then you have to walk a few meters to the bus Station S+U Lichtenberg Bhf / Siegfriedstr. and take the bus 256 to Wartenberg. Get off at the station Liebenwalder Str. From here it is about 150 meters to our a&o.

Train Station - A&O Hostel Kolumbus Berlin

Take the S-Bahn (S3, 5 or 7) to Alexanderplatz. From here take the tram M6 in the direction of Hellersdorf / Riesaer Straße until you reach the Genslerstraße stop. When you pass the Allee Center on the right and turn left into Genslerstraße, follow the road until you reach Liebenwalder Straße.



A&O Hostel Kolumbus Berlin – ESTREL Hotel

START **a&o Hostel Berlin Kolumbus**Genslerstraße 18, 13055 Berlin



∦ Walk About 8 min



Genslerstr. (Berlin)

M6S Hackescher Markt (Berlin)

8 min (6 stops)



S41Ringbahn S 41
11 min (5 stops)



S Sonnenallee

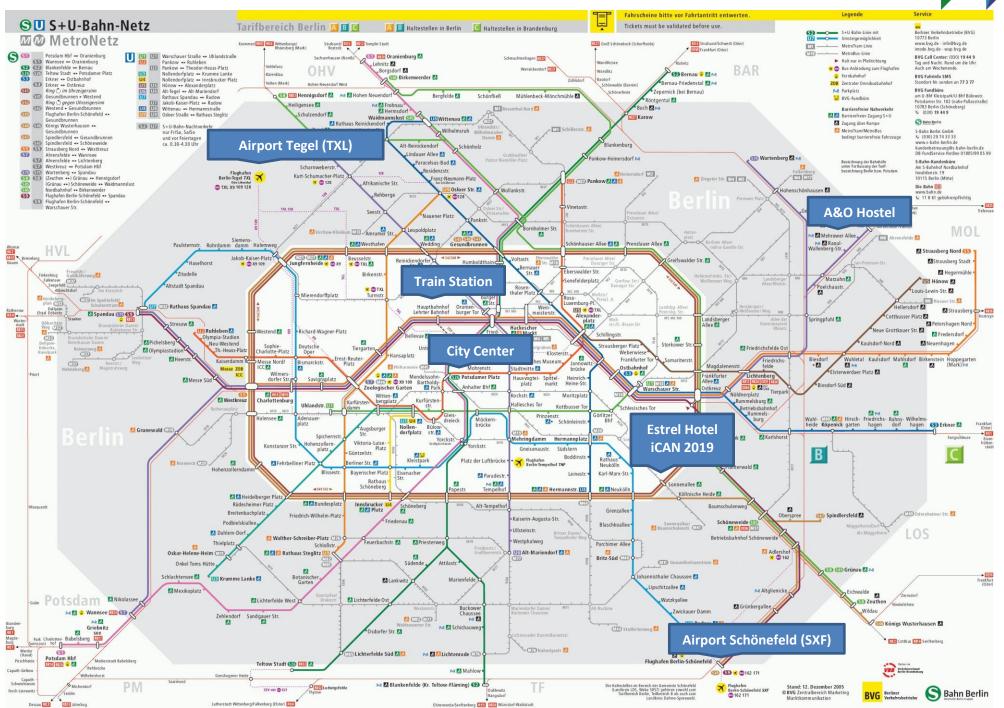
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About 4 min



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Tourist Attractions

Berlin offers a great variety of cultural attractions and enjoys an excellent reputation at both national and international level. There are more than 150 museums and exhibition halls situated in the city center, attracting more than 9 million tourists every year.

1. Brandenburg Gate

Berlin's most famous historic landmark is the Brandenburg Gate (Brandenburger Tor), once a symbol of a divided nation and now a symbol of unity and peace. This Neoclassical gate was commissioned by King Frederick Wilhelm II in 1788, and its design was inspired by the Propylaea in Athens' Acropolis. The sandstone monument is 26 meters tall, standing at the Berlin district "Mitte" (Pariser Platz), just a block from the Reichstag building. During the Cold War, its



physical and symbolic position as a blocked gate along the Berlin Wall made it a frequent site for demonstrations by West Berliners, and it is famous for being the backdrop of US President Ronald Reagan's 1987 entreaty to Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev to tear down the wall. It was also the scene of a poignant gesture when German Chancellor Angela Merkel, Russia's Mikhail Gorbachev, and Poland's Lech Walesa walked through the gate in 1999 to commemorate the tearing down of the Berlin Wall 20 years earlier. (Address: Pariser Platz, 10117, Berlin)

2. Reichstag

The Reichstag was originally completed in 1894 where the Neo-Renaissance palace served as the home of the German Empire's Imperial Diet until it burned in 1933. It was not used again until after the reunification of Germany, at which point it underwent a tenyear reconstruction and finally became the home of the German Parliament in 1999. A highlight of this magnificent reconstruction is the replacement dome, the Kuppel, made of glass and offering superb views of the surrounding city, especially at night from the



Rooftop Restaurant. Note that entry to the Dome and Terrace is ticketed, and due to demand, it's recommended that tickets be requested in advance (registration is available on the day, but expect a two- or three-hour wait). Free English language audio guides are available.

(Address: Platz der Republik 1, 11011, Berlin)



3. Museums Island

Between the River Spree and the Kupfergraben in a 400-meter-long canal, Spree Island is better known as Museum Island (Museumsinsel), a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Here, you'll find many of the city's oldest and most important museums, including the Old Museum (Altes Museum), built in 1830 to house the Crown Jewels and other royal treasures. The New



Museum (Neues Museum), destroyed during WWII, was rebuilt and opened again in 2009 as the home of extensive collections from the Egyptian Museum, the Papyrus Collection, and the Collection of Classical Antiquities.

(Address: Bodestraße 1-3, 10178 Berlin)

The Old National Gallery (Alte Nationalgalerie), opened in 1876, displays Neoclassical sculpture and paintings from 1815-1848, as well as Impressionist and early Modernist pieces. The Bode Museum houses a collection of Byzantine art, as well as a large sculpture collection spanning from medieval times to the late 1700s. The city's most popular museum, the Pergamon features a Museum of Islamic Art, the Ishtar Gate, and reconstructed historic buildings from the Middle East.

4. The Berlin Wall Memorial and Checkpoint Charlie

The Berlin Wall originated in 1961 when East Germany sealed off half of the city to prevent citizens from fleeing to West Germany. By the time it was torn down in 1989, the four-meter-high wall extended 155 kilometers, dissected 55 streets, and possessed observation towers and 57 bunkers. Today, only small stretches of this graffiti-covered travesty remain, including a 1.4-kilometer stretch preserved as part of the Berlin Wall



Memorial, a chilling reminder of the animosity that once divided Europe. Highlights include the Marienfelde Refugee Center Museum with its exhibits relating to the one-and-a-half million people who passed through Berlin as refugees, the Monument in Memory of the Divided City and the Victims of Communist Tyranny, the Window of Remembrance, and a Visitor Center with views over the remains of the wall. Also of interest is "Museum Haus am Checkpoint Charlie" marking the best-known crossing point between East and West Berlin and with displays and artifacts tracing the history of human rights. (Address: Bernauer Straße 111, 13355 Berlin)



Shopping & Catering

Kurfürstendamm



Potsdamer Platz Arkaden



KaDeWe (Kaufhaus des Westens)



Mall of Berlin (Leipziger Platz)



Supermarkets & Department Stores









Trip Information

- Germany uses Euros, so please bring Euros with you. If you bring US dollars, you can exchange them at the Reise Bank at the main train station.
- You will be walking a lot! Berlin is the biggest city in Germany, sometimes with long distances, so be prepared to walk.
- Public transportation is the easiest and cheapest way to get around in Berlin

Cost of Living

- Meal, Inexpensive Restaurant 9.50€
- Combo Meal at McDonalds 6.00€
- Domestic Beer (0.5l draught) 3.00€
- Cappuccino 2.60€
- Cocktail 8.00€
- Water (0.33l bottle) 1.80€
- Taxi (Basic Tariff) 2.75€ + 1.65€/km
- Pack of Cigarettes (Marlboro) 6.40€
- Pair of Jeans (Levis) 89.00€
- Movie Ticket 8.50€



Practical information and things to remember:

- Please make sure to bring your presentation on a USB-stick during the registration.
- Kindly note that your presentation time on stage should be no longer than 8 minutes plus 2 additional minutes for questions and answers.
- No mobile phones in the sessions please.
- Smoking is prohibited in the ESTREL Hotel building. Please use the outside terrace for smoking. Please make sure to use the ash trays.
- Wireless Internet is available at the ESTREL premises. Do not hesitate to contact us for the login code.
- At the hostel there is also wireless internet available free of charge. Contact the reception for the access code.
- Overseas telephone calls from the hotel are quite expensive. Please ask at the hotel reception for the nearest call shop/internet café in case you need a calling card for your mobile phone.
- June is the best time of the year! Summer in Germany can be both, very hot and humid, but sometimes also rainy and cloudy. Make sure to bring sun blockers and a small umbrella in order to be well prepared for each weather condition.
- Keep in mind that Germany might use a different power plug system than your country. Travel adaptors will be available at the airport or in any electronic stores. Voltage is 230V.
- Lunch is offered at the ESTREL premises on June 23rd (lunch buffet, afternoon break & finger food during the Get Together).
- Please be aware that the City Tour on Monday will start from the entrance of the ESTREL at 9:30 am and will take approximately until 5 pm.
- Let us know how you are doing! We want to make sure that you get the most out of the event!
- For any questions, comments or feedback that you might have, please do not hesitate to contact us anytime! If you have any problems, please feel free to talk to us.