

32nd International Geographical Congress Cologne 2012
Commission History of Geography Pre-Congress and Field Trip
“Cartography and Geographical Knowledge in the Public Sphere”
Leipzig – Gotha – Cologne, August 21–26, 2012

Circular 3

May 14, 2012

Dear participants,

the program of our congress and field trip is now ready to publish. Thank you very much for the submission of highly interesting papers, and of course for your registrations, too.

As you can see in the schedule we have five sessions with twenty papers in total; the last session will take place at the Research Library in Gotha.

Please keep in mind that the paper presentation should not exceed 20 minutes. Standard technical equipment and internet connections are certainly available at the Leibniz Institute for Regional Geography and at the Research Library Gotha, too.

The accommodations are already booked and the team of the Leibniz Institute for Regional Geography is actually very busy in preparing the details for the field trip from Leipzig to Cologne. We all look forward to have a very interesting and also comfortable summer week in Germany.

Some helpful information:

The congress hotel in Leipzig is the **Grand City Hotel Leipzig Zentrum**, Gerichtsweg 12, Tel.: +49 (0)30 97 80 88 88; www.grandcity-hotel-leipzig-zentrum.de/en

The Grand City Hotel Leipzig Zentrum is situated in a quiet side road in the centre of Leipzig only about 1.000 meters away from the Opera and the Gewandhaus between Dresdner and Prager Straße.

Arriving by car:

From the A14 motorway, take the Leipzig Mitte exit and drive past the "Neuen Messe" trade fair centre. Follow the signs to the B2 towards Gera/Chemnitz. Cross the steel bridge and continue on "Brandenburger Strasse". After around 1.5 km you reach Gerichtsweg. The Grand City Hotel Leipzig Zentrum is on the right.

Arriving by train:

From the central station, take the number 4 tram towards "Stötteritz" or the number 7 tram towards "Sommerfeld". Get off at the third stop, "Gerichtsweg" the Grand City Hotel Leipzig Zentrum is on the right-hand side of the street.

We made the reservations according to your registration. The hotel is located in the middle between the city centre and the Leibniz Institute for Regional Geography.

The congress starts at our institute on Tuesday, August 21 with a first reception at 1 p.m.

You can find us here:

Leibniz Institute for Regional Geography, Schongauerstrasse 9, 04328 Leipzig,

Tel.: + 49 (0)341 600 55-0; www.ifl-leipzig.de

The Institute is located at the eastern edge of Leipzig and can be reached

- from central railway station by tram: Tram 3 or 7 to Sommerfeld terminus (journey ca. 45 min., then ca. 15 min. on foot)
- from central railway station by tram and bus: Tram 7 towards Sommerfeld as far as Barbarastraße, change to bus route 90 as far as Schongauerstrasse (journey ca. 30 min., then ca. 5 min. on foot)
- from central railway station by local train: S11 or Regionalbahn/Regionalexpress towards Wurzen as far as Engelsdorf (journey ca. 10 min., then ca. 15 min. on foot)
- by car: via A14, exit Leipzig-Ost, free parking at the Paunsdorf-Center

For those who participate in the field trip:

We travel to Gotha by rail on the morning of Thursday, August 23; the rail ride will take around two hours. Our hotel is the **Waldbahnhotel Gotha**, Bahnhofstrasse 16, 99867 Gotha, Tel.: + 49 (0)3621 2340; <http://waldbahn-hotel.de>, vis-à-vis Gotha central station and a little walk away from the Friedenstein Castle, where the Research Library is located.

The following day we take the bus. After the visit of the famous Wartburg Castle and a break at Eisenach city we want to reach our romantic destination Assmannshausen (Rhine Gorge) in the late afternoon. The accommodation for two days is the **Hotel Altes Haus Assmannshausen**, Lorcher Strasse 8, 65385 Assmannshausen, Tel.: + 49 (0)6722 40350; www.hotel-altes-haus.info/englisch/

Our field trip ends on Sunday, August 26 with a two hour rail ride to Cologne. We want to arrive at Cologne central station about noon, so that you have enough time to reach your hotel easily. The official opening of the IGC in the Cologne Philharmonic is at 3 p.m.

Some useful links

Leibniz Institute for Regional Geography	www.ifl-leipzig.de (also in English)
IGC Cologne 2012	www.igc2012.org (also in English and French)
IGU-Commission History of Geography	http://web.univ-pau.fr/RECHERCHE/UGIHG (English and French)
Germany	www.deutschland.de (also in English and French)
City of Leipzig	www.leipzig.de (also in English and French)
Leipzig-Halle Airport	www.leipzig-halle-airport.de (also in English)
Deutsche Bahn (German Rail)	www.bahn.de (also in English and French)
Leipzig Transport Company	www.lvb.de (also in English)

Please note: If you want to join the main sessions of the 32nd International Geographical Congress Cologne 2012 you have to register via the online system of the IGC 2012: www.igc2012.org. The normal registration is open until July 31, 2012.

A fourth circular will follow in July/August 2012. And again, feel free to contact us if you need any support.

Best regards, and: See you in Leipzig in August!

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