

# Practical Information Sheet – DLM Forum 2026 in Bern

Bern, 24-25 March 2026



Copyright Bern Welcome

<u>The Swiss Federal Archives</u> are pleased to invite the members of the DLM Forum to their Members' Meeting in Bern on 24-25 March 2026. The conference will be complemented by an optional social programme on the morning of March 24 or the late afternoon of March 25. Welcome to Bern!

For information on organisational matters, please contact the DLM meeting organisation coordinator: <a href="mailto:secretariat@dlmforum.eu">secretariat@dlmforum.eu</a>.

# 1. Venue

# 1.1 Conference Location

The meeting takes place in the conference room at Hotel Bern. Hotel Bern is situated in the heart of Bern's historic old town, offering easy access to the city.

HOTEL BERN
Zeughausgasse 9
CH-3011 Bern
+41 31 329 22 26
www.hotelbern.ch
Show on Google Maps

### 1.2 Conference Dinner Location

The conference dinner will take place at Restaurant Kornhauskeller, just a two-minute walk from Hotel Bern, the conference location.

KORNHAUSKELLER RESTAURANT & BAR Kornhausplatz 18 3011 Bern +41 31 327 72 72 www.kornhaus-bern.ch Show on Google Maps

# 2. Social Programme

There are two opportunities to participate in a city tour of Bern:

**City tour "UNESCO Stroll through the old city":** Stroll through Bern's medieval alleys and baroque buildings while exploring the city's rich heritage as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

• 24 March 2026, 09:00-10:30

**Tour of the Clock Tower (Zytglogge):** Discover the centuries-old mechanism behind Bern's famous clock tower, learn about its history, and enjoy the panoramic view from the top.

• 25 March 2026, 17:15-18:15

# 3. How to get to Bern

Bern can be reached conveniently and quickly from all directions by plane or train.

# 2.1 By plane

#### **Bern Airport**

Bern Airport is just 10 km from the city centre. This small airport connects Bern with European cities such as London, Berlin and Munich. Thanks to its compact size, only a short time is needed for arrivals and departures. The city can be reached by public transport. The airport bus takes passengers to Belp train station, from where suburban (S-Bahn) trains run to Bern main station.

## **Zurich Airport**

Zurich Airport is Switzerland's largest airport. Trains with direct connections to Bern depart from the airport train station every 30 mins. Journey time is 1 hour and 15 mins.

# **EuroAirport Basel Mulhouse Freiburg**

EuroAirport is located on the borders of Switzerland, France and Germany, and is connected to Basel's main station (Basel SBB) by a 20-minute bus ride. Trains from Basel SBB to Bern depart every 30 mins. Bern can be reached via Basel SBB train station in around 1 hour and 30 mins.

# **Geneva Airport**

Geneva Airport is also well connected to the Swiss rail network. Geneva Airport train station can be reached directly from the arrivals hall. Direct trains to Bern depart every 30 mins. The journey takes just under two hours.

# 2.2 By train

There are regular, direct train connections to all larger Swiss towns, as well as to Europe's most important cities. Information on train schedules and tickets can be obtained from the <a href="Swiss Federal Rail-ways">Swiss Federal Rail-ways</a> website (SBB-CFF-FFS) and from the <a href="SBB Mobile app">SBB Mobile app</a>.

Hotel Bern is conveniently located just an 8-minute walk from Bern's main station. For a quicker journey, take tram lines 6, 7, or 8 and alight at the "Zytglogge" stop. Tickets for the local bus and tram system can also be purchased through the website or app of the Swiss Federal Railways.

# 4. Accommodation in Bern

Hotels 4 ****		
Name of the hotel	Address	Distance from the venue
Swissôtel Kursaal Bern	Kornhausstrasse 3, 3013 Bern	850 m (11-min walk)
	+41 31 339 50 50	
	www.kursaal-bern.ch	
Hotel Bern	Zeughausgasse 9, 3011 Bern	Within the same building.
	+41 31 329 22 22	
	www.hotelbern.ch	
Hotel Bären am Bundesplatz	Schauplatzgasse 4, 3011 Bern	450 m (6-min walk)
	+41 31 311 33 67	
	www.baerenbern.ch	
Hotels 3***		
Hotel Alpenblick	Kasernenstrasse 29, 3013 Bern	1,4 km (20-min walk)
	+41 31 335 66 66	
	www.alpenblickbern.ch	
Hotel City am Bahnhof	Bubenbergplatz 7, 3011 Bern	600 m (8-min walk)
	+41 31 311 53 77	
	https://fassbindhotels.ch	
Hotel Ibis Styles Bern City	Zieglerstrasse 66, 3007 Bern	1,7 km (15 min by public
	+41 31 378 66 66	transport)
	ibis Styles Bern City   ALL -	
	ALL	
Hotels 2**		
Hotel Ibis Bern Expo	Am Guisanplatz 4, 3014 Bern	2,2 km (20 min by public
	+41 31 335 12 00	transport)
	Hotel ibis Bern Expo   Accor	
	Hotels ALL	

# 5. Tourist Information

You can find information and brochures about your stay in the city and region of Bern at the tourist information office, where you can also purchase tickets for public transport and rail passes.

Tourist Information at the Main Station: Bahnhofplatz 10a 3011 Bern Tel. +41 31 328 12 12 E-mail info@bern.com

## **Swiss Travel Guide app**

This is a public transport app for tourists in Switzerland designed to optimise your travel experience by train, bus and boat. An integrated Swiss map featuring public transport lines helps you find the best way from A to B.

# Language

The small country of Switzerland has four official languages. Bern is a bilingual canton (German/French) and many people can communicate in both languages. Most also speak English, Italian or another foreign language.

## **Electricity and plugs**

Electricity throughout Switzerland is supplied at 230 volts. Type C (Europlug, two-pin) plugs and type J (three-pin) plugs are used. The type F ("Schuko") plugs widely used in Europe cannot be used without an adapter.

#### Time zone

Switzerland observes Central European Time (CET, UTC+1) during the winter months, including at the time of the conference.

#### Currency

Please note that Switzerland uses the Swiss franc, usually denoted by the abbreviations CHF or SFr. While Switzerland is not part of the European Union and thus is not obliged to convert to the euro, many prices are indicated in euros so that visitors can compare. Merchants may accept euros but are not obliged to do so. Change will most likely be given in Swiss francs.

1 CHF = €1.08

# **Emergencies**

**117**: Police

**118**: Fire

144: Ambulance

1414: Swiss Air Rescue

112: European emergency number

1811: General inquiries, e.g. doctors, theatres, etc.

140: Breakdown service

### **Dialling codes**

The national dialling code for Switzerland is +41. The following 0 is omitted. Dialling codes from Switzerland are as follows: Germany: 0049, Spain: 0034, Estonia: 00372, Denmark: 0045, Sweden: 0046, Netherlands: 0031, Austria: 0043, Slovenia: 00386, Finland 00358, UK: 0044.