

Airport Information for BESIG 2008 to be held at FH Bonn-Rhein-Sieg, St. Augustin, Germany

There are two airports near to FH Bonn-Rhein-Sieg, St Augustin, Germany: Cologne/Bonn Airport (CGN) and Frankfurt am Main International Airport (FRA)

Cologne/Bonn Airport (CGN)

The nearest airport is Cologne/Bonn Airport (CGN) (<http://www.airport-cgn.de/index.php?lang=2>) and can be reached from many western and some eastern European destinations by either direct or connecting flights. It is also a hub for several low-price airlines such as Germanwings (<http://www.germanwings.com>) and TUIfly (<http://www.tuifly.com/en/index.html>) amongst others which fly from a number of European main cities to there.

The train connections from CGN to Siegburg/Bonn depart from the train station underneath the Terminal 1 building. Connections from CGN to **Siegburg/Bonn** are at approximately 20 minutes intervals. You take an urban rapid transit train line **S 13** to Troisdorf. At Troisdorf you change into a train of line **S 12** going to **Siegburg/Bonn** station.

There is also a shuttle bus No. 670 which goes from Cologne/Bonn Airport to Bonn Hauptbahnhof (Bonn Main station) where you catch the tram line No. 66 (Telekom Express) towards **Siegburg/Bonn** from Gleis 3 (platform 3). The stop to get out of is **Sankt Augustin Markt** is the twelfth station from Bonn Hauptbahnhof and the journey is approximately 20 minutes long.

Frankfurt am Main International Airport (FRA)

Frankfurt am Main International Airport (FRA) (<http://www.airportcity-frankfurt.com>) is a much bigger airport and is an intercontinental as well as international hub. So this airport might well be easier to use as your gateway into Germany.

One possibility on arrival at Frankfurt am Main International Airport is to get a connecting flight to Cologne/Bonn Airport. The other possibility is to take the fast train connection towards Köln Hbf (Cologne Main Station) from **Frankfurt Flughafen Fernbahnhof**, the railway station for long distance trains. This station is situated alongside the main terminal building separated from it by the motorway. There are covered walkways leading to it.

From the **Frankfurt Flughafen Fernbahnhof** you take one of the fast ICE trains going towards Köln Hbf (Cologne Main Station). Most ICE trains stop at **Siegburg/Bonn** which is the first stop after a journey of about one hour, but a few trains do not stop between the Frankfurt Airport and Cologne so be aware of this! There are at least one train in the hour between five in the morning and midnight, but sometimes two or three trains.

From Siegburg/Bonn Station to the conference venue in St Augustin

Arriving at Siegburg/Bonn station you need to go down to the lower level platforms. From here tram line **No. 66 (the Telekom Express)** departs. As it is the terminal station for this line all trams leaving here go towards Bonn. The station you want to get off at is **Sankt Augustin Markt**, the second stop in this direction, about 4 minutes tram ride away.

Buying railway tickets

You can buy through tickets to **Sankt Augustin Markt** at the railway stations at both airport stations, though after 22:00 you have to use the automatic ticket machines which also take credit cards.

Note that several airlines offer the option to purchase the rail journey as part of their ticket if you are flying via Frankfurt am Main Airport. Check if your airline does this as it often saves money.