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Logistics Information for the WG23 meeting, 6/8-10/2013, Berlin

The meeting of the working group will take place in Berlin, Germany, at the Seminaris Conference Hotel in Berlin-Dahlem. The meeting days are Sat., June 8th through Mon., June 10th, 2013.

You are asked to register for the meeting and to reserve your accommodation through the registration pages of the website www.ada-europe2013.org. The registration page is not yet up and running, but should be later in February. You definitely should register before April 30th, 2013, as the blocked rooms at the hotel will be released at this date and it may be rather difficult to find alternative accommodations in the close neighborhood. This is particularly true if you stay for the conference.

The rooms are 86 Euro on weekends and 99 Euro on weekdays, single occupancy. Double occupancy is 106 and 134 Euro, respectively, for the room. Breakfast is included in this rate.

There is a registration fee for attending the meeting. It is EUR 195 and includes full board (lunch, dinner, coffee breaks) at the hotel plus the cost of the meeting room and its equipment for the three days of the meeting. There is a one-time surcharge of 30 Euro for the registration process to all events. If you also register for the conference, the surcharge is dropped. There may also be a surcharge for credit-card payments. See the website.

Your airport should be Berlin Tegel (TXL). It is 14 km from the hotel. There is also a smaller Airport Berlin Schönefeld (SXF) with connections within Europe. It is 25 km away from the hotel. (Do not try to find flights to an airport named Berlin Brandenburg (BER). It is "virtual", i.e., advertised, being built, but not operational. Presently BER is used as search code for all other Berlin airports combined.)

Public transportation is perfectly safe to use, but the routing between the airports and the hotel is not convenient (while the U-Bahn connection to downtown is very close to the hotel). For detailed information about public transport and the local stations, please consult the mentioned web page, its links, or search on Google maps, which will give you all the details if you select the public transportation mode.

www.bahn.de is a central place to get trips planned that involve trains, subways, busses, even your legs (but not airplanes).

For tourist information, I also point you to www.ada-europe2013.org as a starting point, so you can get your bearings. Or you can try www.berlin.de for the official tourist website of the city of Berlin.