



2022 Annual Meeting Overview Berlin, Germany

SATURDAY, JULY 9 - THURSDAY, JULY 14

THE RITZ-CARLTON BERLIN + BERLIN MARRIOTT HOTEL



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INTRODUCTION

**“Berlin is the newest city I have come across. Even Chicago would appear old and gray in comparison.”
– Mark Twain. 1892**

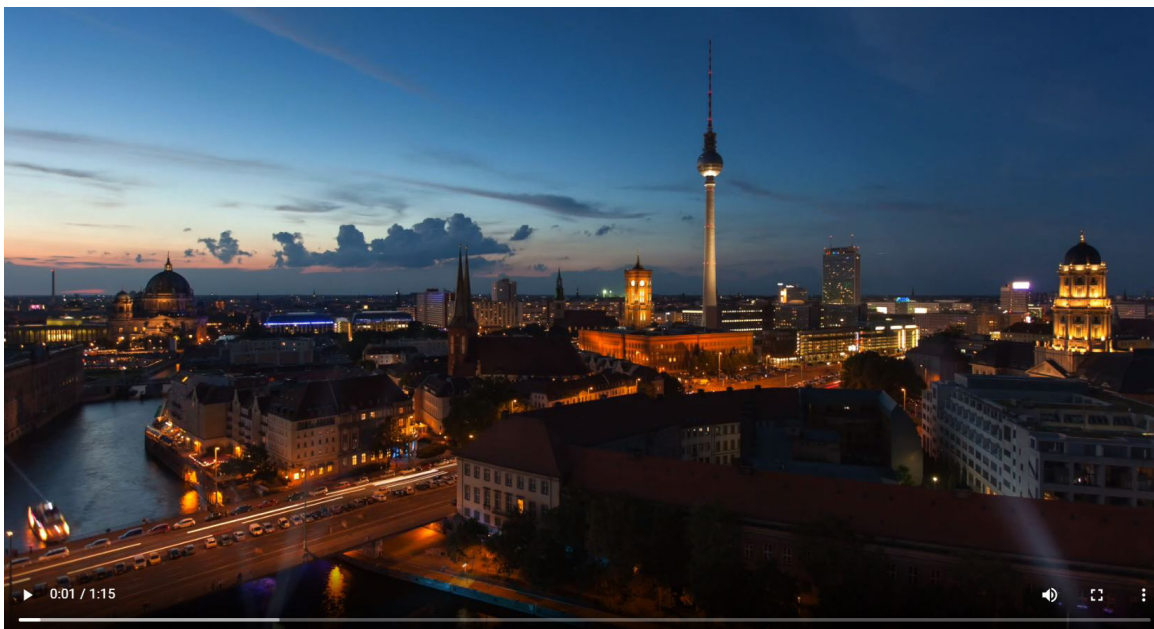


Mark Twain wrote this about Berlin 53 years before the city was reduced to rubble at the end of World War II and yet, the comparison still holds true today. Berlin remains a modern and new city that not only rebuilt itself after the war but continued to do so when the wall that divided the city for nearly 30 years came down in 1989. The historical buildings that survived the war now stand alongside modern architecture as the past and present intermingle, and the

city's richly textured history can be found at every turn.

Make plans to join the IADC in Berlin this summer as we explore this one-of-a-kind city's vibrant culture, cutting-edge architecture, fabulous restaurants, nightlife, and fascinating history.

Watch the brief video below (just over a minute) to see how Berlin's past has made it the city it is today.



MEETING DATES AND KEY EVENTS

The meeting will be held Saturday, July 9 through Thursday, July 14. In addition to the exceptional CLE sessions and tours offered throughout the week, here are dates of other key events to assist with your travel plans.

Saturday, July 9:	First Timers Introductions (4:30 - 5:30 p.m.) Welcome Reception (5:30 - 7:30 p.m.)
Sunday, July 10:	Opening Session (8:45 - 10:15 a.m.) Open Forum - Speaker Nina Willner (10:15 - 11:30 a.m.) Free Evening
Monday, July 11:	Theme Party (7:00 - 10:30 p.m.)
Tuesday, July 12:	Dine-Around (Various Evening Times)
Wednesday, July 13:	Dinner Dance/Gala (6:00 - 11:00 p.m.; format TBA)
Thursday, July 14:	Closing Session (9:00 - 10:30 a.m.)

**All times are current estimates but will not vary more than 30 minutes to one hour from what is listed here.*

REGISTRATION AND TOURS

IADC will open registration on Wednesday, March 16 and an email announcement will be sent to all members and spouses. Once you have registered for the meeting, you will be able to proceed with making your hotel reservation(s). Instructions on how to make your hotel reservation(s) will be included in your registration confirmation email from the IADC.

REGISTRATION CATEGORY	ON/BEFORE MAY 6	AFTER MAY 6
Member/Non-Member	\$1,945 USD	\$1,995 USD
Emeritus Member	\$950 USD	\$1,000 USD
Spouse/Significant Other/Adult Guest	\$795 USD	\$845 USD
Corporate Counsel/Insurance Executive (FULL MEETING)	\$950 USD	\$1,000 USD
Corporate Counsel/Insurance Executive (Two Days Only)	\$645 USD	\$695 USD
Corporate Counsel/Insurance Executive SPOUSE (Two Days Only)	\$375 USD	\$400 USD
Adult Child (18+ years)	\$795 USD	\$795 USD
Senior Child (13 - 17 years)	\$175 USD	\$175 USD
Junior Child (5 - 12 years)	\$125 USD	\$125 USD
Child Under 5	Complimentary	Complimentary

**Spouses/Adult Guests who would like to receive CLE credit must register as a non-member.*

TOURS AND ACTIVITIES

Registration for tours and IADC hosted activities will open separately in May. An email announcement will be sent to all members and spouses once available.

HOTEL INFORMATION

The IADC will use both [The Ritz-Carlton Berlin](#) and the [Berlin Marriott Hotel](#) to host its Annual Meeting. The hotels are located in the city center's Potsdamer Platz and sit across a quiet side street from one another. Door-to-door, the walk between both properties takes three minutes (or less). Guests of IADC members reserving a room under an IADC room block must be registered to attend the Annual Meeting.



The Ritz-Carlton Berlin

IADC has its largest room block at The Ritz-Carlton and the hotel will host IADC's onsite social events. Our group room rate is below, and reservations can only be made after registering for the meeting with the IADC. Hotel contact information to inquire about rates for any available suites will also be included in your registration confirmation email from the IADC.

Ritz-Carlton Deluxe Guest Room:

€290.00 single occupancy/€310.00 double occupancy

- Group room rate includes VAT, service charges, daily breakfast at The Ritz-Carlton, and internet access.
- Group room rate available three days before and after the meeting based on availability.
- **German law allows a maximum of three guests (regardless of age) per room.**
- Additional guests (16 years and older) or anyone (regardless of age) using rollaway bedding will be charged €50.00 per person, per night which includes daily breakfast.
- Children (15 years and younger) sharing a room's existing bedding with their parents are not required to pay the supplemental room charge, however, there will be a €15.00 per child, per day charge for daily breakfast.
- Breakfast is complimentary for children five years and younger.
- King beds, double beds, and connecting rooms available.
- Check-in time is 3:00 p.m. and check-out time is 12:00 p.m.
- Guests can cancel their reservation without penalty up to 48 hours prior to their check-in date.



Berlin Marriott Hotel

Berlin Marriott Hotel

IADC has a smaller room block at the recently renovated Berlin Marriott and the hotel will host IADC's CLE and general sessions, business meetings, and the IADC Registration Desk. Our group room rate is below, and reservations can only be made after registering for the meeting with the IADC. Hotel contact information to inquire about rates for any available suites will also be included in your registration confirmation email from the IADC.

Berlin Marriott Deluxe Guest Room:

€250.00 single occupancy/€270.00 double occupancy

- Group room rate includes VAT, service charges, daily breakfast at the Berlin Marriott, and internet access.
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Potsdamer and Leipziger Platz: 1972



Potsdamer and Leipziger Platz: Today

TRAVEL, HEALTH, AND SAFETY POLICIES

The IADC will continue to monitor and update its members on the latest COVID travel requirements to Germany. In addition, we are monitoring the situation in Ukraine closely and, should it become unsafe to travel to Berlin and therefore impossible to proceed with our meeting, attendees will be notified immediately, and registration fees and hotel room deposits will be refunded accordingly.

Proof of COVID Vaccination or Negative COVID Test

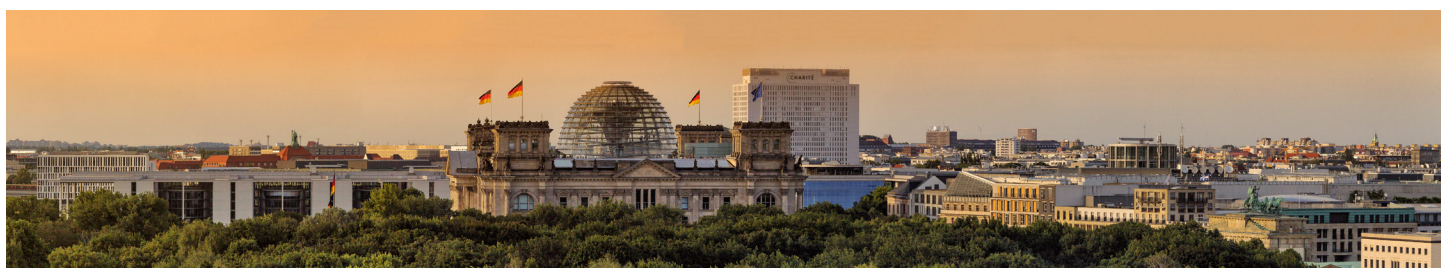
Currently, anyone entering Germany will need to provide their COVID vaccination card or a negative COVID test. If this policy remains in place through our Annual Meeting dates, attendees will not need to show their vaccination card or proof of a negative test again to the IADC. However, should Germany change this policy prior to our meeting, the IADC will require proof of vaccination or a negative COVID test from all attendees in order to participate in the meeting. We greatly appreciate our members cooperation.

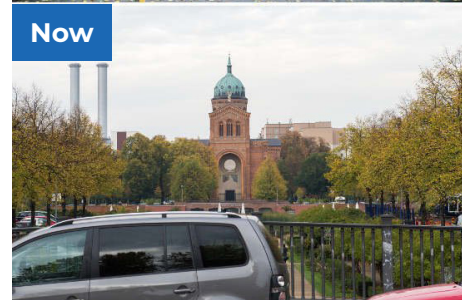
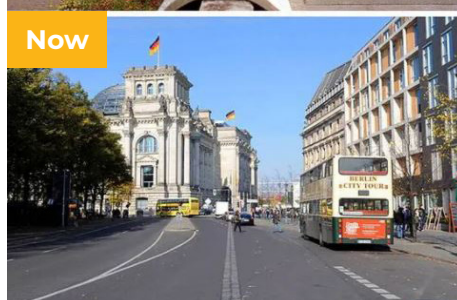
What To Know When Traveling To Germany (as of March 4, 2022)

- All travelers must complete a [digital registration form](#) before entering the country by air and/or from another country.
- Upon entry into Germany, individuals six years or older must be in possession of proof of testing, proof of recovery, or proof of vaccination.
- If you received Johnson & Johnson's COVID vaccine, you are not considered fully vaccinated unless you have also received a booster shot.
- COVID tests (antigen tests or PCR tests) must not be older than 48 hours at the time of (planned) entry into Germany. For most airlines, PCR tests must not be older than 48 hours at the time of (planned) departure. And antigen tests must not be older than 48 hours at the time of (planned) entry into Germany even when arriving by air.
- If traveling by bus or train from another European country, find out if you need to provide a negative COVID test, regardless of vaccination status, on [Re-open EU](#), the official website of the European Union.

For up-to-date information on travel requirements and COVID restrictions in Berlin, visit the city's Convention and Tourism Bureau's travel updates page [here](#).

Read this thorough, and comprehensible, online article posted February 14, 2022 that breaks down Berlin's three-step plan to ease COVID restrictions [here](#).





Travel

With its central location between western and eastern Europe, Berlin is easily accessible regardless of your mode of transportation to get there.

Arrival by Air

The new [Berlin Brandenburg International Airport \(BER\)](#) is now open and has replaced Tegel and Schönefeld Airports as Berlin's central airport. BER has its own railway station directly below the terminals making it easy to transfer from your flight directly to the city's rail system.

Taxis, Rideshares, and Car Services

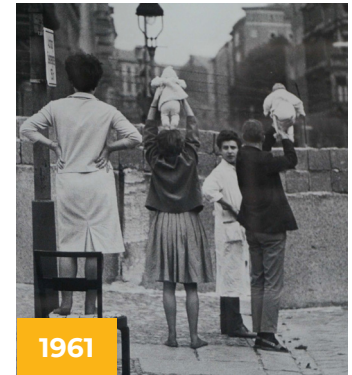
Taxis are readily available at the airport and rideshare services, such as **Uber**, are popular in Berlin. Depending on traffic and the time of day, allow 35-60 minutes to get to either hotel by car. Current taxi fare from the airport to either hotel is approximately €60.00.

A **prearranged car service**, where your driver greets you upon exiting Customs and assists with your luggage, is a great option after a long flight or when traveling with family. Go to [Jayride.com](#) to compare pricing of local transfer companies and then book the best deal for your arrival and/or departure.

Alternatively, for assistance booking an airport transfer, you can contact the Concierge Desk at The Ritz-Carlton by emailing concierge.berlin@ritzcarlton.com or the Front Desk at the Berlin Marriott by emailing berlin@marriotthotels.com.

Arrival By Train

You can reach Berlin from all directions by using the fast InterCityExpress, InterCity, EuroCity, and InterRegio Trains. The new central station Berlin Hauptbahnhof, located in the heart of Berlin, opened in 2006 modernizing the city's railways and train stations. In addition, all [train stations](#) are well connected to Berlin's public transport system.



WHAT TO READ AND WATCH BEFORE ARRIVING IN BERLIN

Berlin has a long and storied past and its place in Cold War history may be its most interesting. Divided into four zones of occupation by main Allied Forces after the Second World War and two zones of political influence (Democracy and Communism) up to the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989, the city is without a doubt one of the most remarkable symbols of the Cold War.

Thirty-three years after the wall came down, the once divided city has seamlessly come together making it hard to imagine what life was like before its reunification. For instance, the Berlin Marriott literally sits on a site where the Berlin Wall once stood when the entire Potsdamer Platz area was a barren no-man's land watched over by East German border guards... and today it's Berlin's bustling city center!

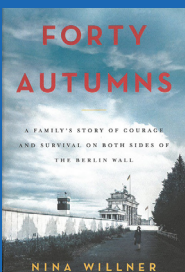
To get the most out of your visit to Berlin and for the tours you go on to have the greatest impact, we encourage you to learn more about this fascinating city. To prepare, here are IADC's reading and viewing suggestions.



If you only read one book before the Annual Meeting, make it *Forty Autumns*, a memoir by Nina Willner. Not only is *Forty Autumns* our Book Review selection, but Nina Willner will be our Open Forum Speaker on Sunday, July 10!

Forty Autumns: A Family's Story of Courage and Survival on Both Sides of the Berlin Wall

by Nina Willner



In *Forty Autumns*, Nina Willner recounts her family's story—five ordinary lives buffeted by circumstances beyond their control. She takes us deep into the tumultuous and terrifying world of East Germany under Communist rule, revealing both the cruel reality her relatives endured and her own experiences as the first female Army Intelligence Officer to run secret operations in East Berlin at the height of the Cold War.

Books

[Letters Over The Wall: Life in Communist East Germany](#) by David F. Strack

Four East Germans corresponded for decades with an American teacher, openly sharing about their frustrations, joys, and challenges of living in a communist country.

Author David F. Strack kept those personal letters and has now distilled them into a riveting memoir about what life was like behind the Iron Curtain.

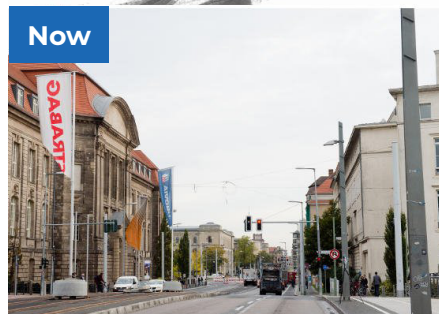
Read about the lives of Gerhard, Jutta, Jürgen, and Barbara in their own words, as they share about their jobs, families, and political opinions. Learn how the fall of the Wall and the reuniting of Ost und West affected their lives, bringing wonderful freedoms to all of them, yet also economic disappointment to one.

Letters Over The Wall is an enthralling memoir, chronicling four lives over a span of forty years, during a time of political upheaval and great societal change.

[Born in the GDR](#) by Hester Vaizey

The changes that followed the fall of the Berlin Wall in November 1989 were particularly dramatic for East Germans. With the German Democratic Republic effectively taken over by West Germany in the reunification process, nothing in their lives was immune from change and upheaval: from the way they voted, the newspapers they read, to the brand of butter they bought. But what was it really like to go from living under communism one minute, to capitalism the next? What did the East Germans make of capitalism? And how do they remember the GDR today?

This is the story of eight citizens of the former German Democratic Republic, and how these dramatic changes affected them. All the people in the book were born in East Germany after the Berlin Wall was put up in August 1961, so they knew nothing other than living in a socialist system when the GDR fell apart. Their stories provide a fascinating insight not only into everyday life in East Germany, but about how this now-vanished state is remembered today.



[Stasiland: Stories from Behind the Berlin Wall](#) by Anna Funder

Anna Funder delivers a prize-winning and powerfully rendered account of the resistance against East Germany's communist dictatorship in these harrowing, personal tales of life behind the Iron Curtain and under the iron fist of the Stasi, East Germany's brutal state security force. Funder's *Stasiland* is a masterpiece of investigative reporting, written with novelistic vividness and the compelling intensity of a universal, real-life story.

[The Collapse: The Accidental Opening of the Berlin Wall](#) by Mary Elise Sarotte

On the night of November 9, 1989, massive crowds surged toward the Berlin Wall, drawn by an announcement that caught the world by surprise: East Germans could now move freely to the West. The Wall -- infamous symbol of divided Cold War Europe -- seemed to be falling. But the opening of the gates that night was not planned by the East German ruling regime -- nor was it the result of a bargain between either Ronald Reagan or George H.W. Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev.

It was an accident.

In *The Collapse*, prize-winning historian Mary Elise Sarotte reveals how a perfect storm of decisions made by daring underground revolutionaries, disgruntled Stasi officers, and dictatorial party bosses sparked an unexpected series of events culminating in the chaotic fall of the Wall. With a novelist's eye for character and detail, she brings to vivid life a story that sweeps across Budapest, Prague, Dresden, and Leipzig and up to the armed checkpoints in Berlin.

Drawing on new archival sources and dozens of interviews, *The Collapse* offers the definitive account of the night that brought down the Berlin Wall.

[Capital of Spies: Intelligence Agencies in Berlin During the Cold War](#) by Sven Felix Kellerhoff and Bernd von Kostka

For almost half a century, the hottest front in the Cold War was right across Berlin. From summer 1945 until 1990, the secret services of NATO and the Warsaw Pact fought an ongoing duel in the dark. Throughout the Cold War, espionage was part of everyday life in both East and West Berlin, with German spies playing a crucial part of operations on both sides.

The construction of the wall in 1961 changed the political situation and the environment for espionage. The invisible front was now concrete and unmistakable. But the fundamentals had not changed: Berlin was and would remain the capital of spies until the fall of the Berlin Wall, a fact which makes it more surprising that there are hardly any books about the work of the secret services in Berlin during the Cold War. Journalist Sven Felix Kellerhoff and historian Bernd von Kostka describe the spectacular successes and failures of the various secret services based in the city. **BONUS:** Listen to the [Cold War Conversations podcast](#) with one of the authors.

Articles

[The Cold War in Berlin](#) – John F. Kennedy Presidential Library

[Berlin, 1963: Voices From the Wall](#) (Three stories of a divided city) – *The Atlantic*

[History on Screen: East Germany through its Filmmakers' Eyes](#) – *AP News*

Movies

[10 of the Best Films Set in Berlin](#) – *The Guardian*

[Five films that shaped the GDR's legacy and what east Germans think of them today](#) – *The Local*

[Top Ten Berlin Wall Movies](#) – *Time*

[Films and the Fall of The Berlin Wall](#) – *Forbes*

[6 Documentaries About Berlin You Need to Watch](#) – *Culture Trip*

FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Night Crossing (1982)

In the fall of 1979, one of history's most ingenious and courageous flights to freedom took place when two families fled Communist East Germany to the West in a handcrafted hot air balloon. Starring John Hurt, Jane Alexander, and Beau Bridges, Walt Disney Pictures brings to the screen this remarkable true story of the Strelzyk and Wetzel families and their daring, death-defying escape.

[A Kid Explains History: The Berlin Wall](#) (YouTube)

QUESTIONS?

Still have questions? Please email IADC's Director of Meetings, Rebecca Zurcher Foltz, at rzurcher@iadclaw.org and stay tuned for more information when registration opens on Wednesday, March 16.

