

ISSS ARRIVAL

All ISSS students arrive at **BERLIN**. Monday, 2 June 2025, preferably between 3 and 7 p. m., should be the time of arrival at our hotel. If you arrive earlier, you can store your luggage at the reception, before you get your room in the early afternoon from 3 p.m. onwards. Our **hotel in Berlin** is in an excellent location, right at the beginning of a boulevard ("Schlossstraße"), surrounded by numerous restaurants, snack bars, cafés, shopping facilities, train stations (local "S" train and subway "U" ["Underground"] train) and bus stations:

Hotel Steglitz International, Schlossstraße/Albrechtstraße 2, 12165 Berlin,
phone: +49(0)30-790050, email: info@si-hotel.com, website: www.si-hotel.com

The closest (in front of the door) subway station is: "Rathaus Steglitz" (final stop of the subway line "U 9"), the closest local train station (100 metres away) is also "Rathaus Steglitz" (line "S 1").

The following bus lines stop at the hotel ("Rathaus Steglitz"):
X 83, M 48, M 82, M 85, 170, 186, 188, 282, 283, 284, 285, 380,
night buses N 9 and N 88

The best connections to reach the hotel from Berlin's airport or from its central railway station are:

1) from Berlin **airport BER Berlin-Brandenburg** (you need one "ABC" ticket for € 4.70 [equivalent to \$ 5]):

Take an "RB" or "RE" train to "Zoologischer Garten" (around 40 minutes),
then subway "U 9" to "Rathaus Steglitz" (12 minutes).

2) from Berlin's **central railway station ("Berlin-Hauptbahnhof")**

(you need one "AB" ticket for € 3.80 [equivalent to \$ 4]):

Take an S-train (3, 5, 7 or 9) to "Zoologischer Garten" (around 6 minutes),
then subway "U 9" to "Rathaus Steglitz" (12 minutes).

When you arrive at the hotel, say at the reception desk that you belong to the "Schmalkalden group (International Summer School)".

We all meet for our "Welcome Dinner" (you are invited) on Monday, 2 June, 8:00 p.m., in the hotel lobby.

On **Monday, 9 June**, we will travel together by train to **SCHMALKALDEN** (about 360 km) and spend the rest of the time there. You stay at a guest house in the town centre of Schmalkalden. This half-timbered house has been built in the 17th century, many years before the United States, Mexico, Canada or Germany became independent states:

“Pension Barbara”, Auer Gasse 5-7, 98574 Schmalkalden,
phone: +49(0)3683-600827, email: barbara@pensionbarbara.com,
website: www.pensionbarbara.com

While packing your **luggage** (travel light, what you bring you have to carry by your own 😊), please, do not forget:

- * passport,
- * student ID card of your home university (take it always with you, discounts might be available),
- * health insurance voucher,
- * collapsible umbrella,
- * swimming trunks / swimsuit (a public swimming pool is next to our university campus),
- * sports shoes (if you like to participate in our “Schmalympics”),
- * insect repellent (might be useful during the “Midnight-Sun Lecture” in the forest).

Have a safe trip!