



## About COLOGNE

Cologne is Germany's fourth largest city. Cologne is: its magnificent cathedral, the mighty Rhine River, its internationally renowned museums and trade fairs, and major events of all kinds. The Rhineland metropolis is also: home to creative film companies, countless art galleries, a vibrant student life, a diverse free theatre scene and great shopping on bustling streets. Restaurants and pubs for all walks of life, colourful lifestyles, culinary variety and international flair. From its Roman origins to the present, Cologne has transformed itself into a dynamic and vibrant European metropolis in its 2,000-year history. It is a meeting point for people from around the world. And, most importantly, Cologne represents a unique way of life. Cologne is a feeling!

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### Convention Bureau Services

The Cologne Convention Bureau is glad to help you find the perfect location, the right atmosphere and customised services for any type of event – from conventions, galas and trade fairs to conferences. We provide the following services free of charge:

- Find locations
- Establish contact with expert partners from the event industry
- Conduct site inspections
- Design supporting and accompanying programmes
- Give pre- and post-convention tours
- Organise incentives

### Arriving in COLOGNE

Köln-Bonn Airport lies about 16 km south-east of the city and has a superb connection to the city centre - it is only a 15-minute journey to the cathedral. ICEs, regional trains and trams all travel to the airport's train station, which is only a short distance away from the airport itself. We hope you arrive safely!

#### By Air From

By Air From	Hrs
Berlin	1.00
London	1.15
Moscow	3.10
Paris	1.00
Rome	2.00
Zurich	1.00

#### By Train To

By Train To	Hrs
Amsterdam	3.00
Berlin	4.20
Brussels	2.50
Dusseldorf	0.20
Frankfurt	1.00
Paris	3.45

### Venues For Group Events

Cologne offers more than 130 event venues with approx. 900 rooms and around 250 hotels with 25,000 beds for all Cologne's guests and visitors.

**Congress-Centrum Koelnmesse 19,500** Hardly any other convention and conference venue in Germany offers so many rooms of different sizes that can be adapted according to the objectives of your event. The Congress-Centrum Koelnmesse has a total seating capacity of 19,500 as well as 284,000 m<sup>2</sup> of exhibition space for accompanying exhibitions and company presentations and is easy to reach via all methods of transport. Ten motorways lead straight to the fairgrounds, which are also adjacent to the Köln Messe/Deutz ICE train station. The covered boulevard connects the Congress Centre East with the Congress Centre North. From this boulevard there is also direct access to event hall 9, which has space for up to 9,600 people.

**Gürzenich Köln 1,100** The prestigious venue in the heart of Cologne – the city's "parlour" has six halls and conference rooms as well as two spacious foyers and space for up to 3,000 people. Opened in the year 1447 and renovated in 1997, Gürzenich Köln is a harmonious blend of historic architectural styles, the latest event technology and the ultimate in event culture. A worthy setting for stylish celebrations, conferences and social events. The people of Cologne love "their Gürzenich". Event organisers and their guests will find out why.

**ALTER WARTESAAL 400** With its cosmopolitan atmosphere is located in the heart of Cologne at the foot of the Cathedral. The only surviving part of Cologne's original main railway station, the Alter Wartesaal was opened in 1983 by Alfred Bielik. The splendid restaurant, decorated with crown moulding, the original Art Nouveau ballroom from 1915 and the "die kunstbar" provide extraordinary variety. The interaction between historical and modern elements is simply unique.

### Places Of Interest

**The Cologne Cathedral** The Cologne Cathedral is one of the architectural masterpieces of mankind. Declared a World Cultural Heritage Site as a perfect example of Gothic construction, the Cologne Cathedral is the symbol of the Rhenish city. And with about six million visitors a year, Germany's largest Cathedral is also the country's most popular architectural monument.

**Boat Trips** A boat trip on the Rhine is an absolute must do, as much as the Cologne Cathedral and the "Kölsch" beer. Get aboard and enjoy the amazing panoramic view of the city. Choose among three shipping companies to set sail.

**Rheinau Docks** Join a tour through Cologne's newest quarter, which is fascinating due to its distinctive origins as a harbour area that has been transformed into a first-class business and residential quarter. Alongside the dock, the former harbour master's office and the historical buildings, the crane buildings and other new buildings dominate the skyline. The quarter is primarily made up of flats, restaurants and office blocks.