

## How to get there

Herrenhausen Palace, Herrenhäuser Straße 5, 30419 Hanover, Germany

### By Train

Hanover is an excellent transport hub and easily accessible by German and European train traffic. For train schedules please visit [www.bahn.de](http://www.bahn.de). For detailed way descriptions from Hanover's airport and main station to your hotel and from your hotel to the conference venue, scroll down.

Within Hanover, the conference venue can easily be accessed by the subway which runs very frequently.

[Download schedules line U4 \(pdf\)](#) and [line U5 \(pdf\)](#). Exit at the subway station "Herrenhäuser Gärten". Herrenhausen Palace is located on the left side in the direction of travel (approx. 200 m). It is a light-colored neo-classical building. The entrance to the conference center is at the North-West corner, i.e. on the right side of the building, adjacent to the restaurant 'Schlossküche'.

### By car

From the north or south: Autobahn (motorway) A7 / A35 to A2, then take "Herrenhausen" exit (highway B6) in the direction of "Zentrum" (city center).

From the east or west: Autobahn (motorway) A2, then take "Herrenhausen" exit (highway B6) in the direction of "Zentrum" (city center).

### Public transport

#### Airports

Hanover has its own [airport](#) and can thus be reached comfortably by plane. [Hamburg Airport](#) is located 170 km north of Hanover and can be reached within approx. 120 minutes by high speed train (ICE). The train journey from Hanover central station to Berlin with its [international airports](#) takes approx. 120 minutes as well.

## The city of Hanover

Hanover is the capital of the federal state of Lower Saxony in the north-west of Germany. With a population of roughly 500.000 inhabitants, Hanover is the biggest city in Lower Saxony and one of the major centers of Northern Germany. Hanover is known for hosting the CeBIT, the world's largest and most international computer expo and other international annual commercial trade fairs. A major crossing point of railway lines and highways (Autobahnen), Hanover is easily accessible from any other major city in Germany.

From 1714 until 1837 Hanover was closely interlinked with Great Britain, Ireland and later on the United Kingdom. The former family seat of the Hanoverian Kings, Herrenhausen Palace, is located in the Herrenhausen Gardens. These beautiful gardens are Hanover's most famous hallmark and one of the most important baroque gardens in Europe. Apart from the newly reconstructed ensemble, the city offers many attractive sights ranging from one of Europe's most spectacular and modern zoo to the city lake Maschsee, popular with inhabitants and tourists alike, and a fair share of museums. Hanover is also known for being the greenest city in Germany, thanks to the large city forest Eilenriede, which covers 640 ha and is hence twice as large as New York City's Central Park.