

Conference Society of Biological Systematics (GfBS) 2025

Conference Venue, Travel and Accommodation

Venue

The conference takes part in the **combined building** of the Institute for Cell and Systems Biology (IZS) of the University Hamburg and the Museum for Nature of the Leibniz Institute for the Analysis of Biodiversity Change (LIB) in **Martin-Luther-King-Platz 3**. This is located between the streets Grindelallee and Bundesstraße, closest bus stations are **Grindelhof** (lines 4 and 5) or **Zoologisches Museum** (line X35). Please note to take the **Central entrance** (in the middle of the building) and not the entrance to the Museum on Bundesstraße. The venue is also within walking distance from Dammtor station (trains and S-Bahn).

To get to the Central entrance you need to take a few **stairs**. **If you are using a wheelchair or have other difficulties in climbing stairs**, there are alternative possibilities to enter the building, but please contact (a.schmidt-rhaesa@leibniz-lib.de) before the meeting to arrange things.

The venue is close to the main university campus. There are lots of small restaurants along Grindelallee and Renzelstraße. If you need a leisure walk in between, you can visit the park Planten un Blomen. There is an entrance in walking distance, opposite of the TV tower, which can guide you as a landmark.

Travel

It is strongly recommended to travel to Hamburg by train. Parking for cars may be difficult and the city may be crowded at times. Public transport in Hamburg is excellent, commuting from hotels in the periphery is no problem. Hamburg public transport is called **HVV** and under <https://www.hvv.de/> you can get information about the next connections.

With “Deutschlandticket” all public transport is free. If you do not have a Deutschlandticket, you need to buy tickets, either online or at ticket counters. You usually will need a ticket for “**1-2 Ringe**” unless your hotel is very far outside and a single ticket costs 3.90 €. The **day ticket** for 7,50 € saves money if you are doing 2 or more travels a day. Please note that you **cannot buy tickets in the bus**, you need an online ticket, a ticket from a ticket counter or a prepaid HVV card, this is the only thing you can use in the bus. Group tickets are also available, please check the HVV webpage for more information.

If you fly in, you should know that the Hamburg Airport is excellently connected by the S-Bahn line 1 (just follow the signs to the white S in a green circle). Remember to buy tickets at the counters. Line 1 brings you to Central station, where you can change into every other S- or U-Bahn line.

Accommodation

There are lots of opportunities for accommodation in Hamburg, but they may get pretty costly. As the possibilities are as manifold as the personal requirements, we have not reserved contingents. Please find your own customized solution. Please also consider hotels which are not central, as public transport is usually very convenient.