

Conference 'Climate Impacts on Glaciers and Biosphere in Fuego-Patagonia' - information on the by-programme Friday, July 14th – Sunday, July 16th, 2017

For those registered for the by-programme:

On Friday 14th July, from 6 pm (18:00 to approximately 21:00), we would like to welcome you to Berlin and the Patagonia Conference with a casual open-air get-together with, however, cold beverages only. The venue is located at the inner yard behind “Haus 1” of Humboldt-Universität, Luisenstraße 56, 10117 Berlin, and the building of the famous “Tieranatomisches Theater”. You can actually enter the area from both sides but most easily through the neo-classical building at Luisenstraße 56.

On Saturday, 15th July, 9:30 am, we will meet at Checkpoint Charlie, located in downtown Berlin on the corner of Friedrichstraße and Zimmerstraße (station Kochstraße on metro-line U6 or station Stadtmitte on metro-line U6 or U2 are close by) from where we will go for a longer walk to see some of Berlin's monumental sights. At 1 pm (13:00), we will take a boat trip through Berlin's city centre on the river Spree up to the famous East-Side-Gallery, a remnant of the Berlin Wall. Afterwards (in the afternoon) we will walk through the vibrant district Kreuzberg to finally arrive at a popular rooftop location ('Klunkerkranich') where we can have a relaxing drink – paid for individually by yourselves - to end the day.

Any public transport must be covered by yourselves – please make sure to have a validated ticket before entering public transport carriers.

From those from outside the GABY-VASA project, we ask for a contribution for Saturday's trip of 12 EUR which essentially covers the boat trip. We will collect your contribution as cash money on site.

On Sunday, 16th July, we will meet in front of the train station 'Berlin Zoologischer Garten' at 9:00 (sharp!). At 09:17 we take the train RE 4 towards ,Magdeburg Hbf' from track 4. We'll get off at Potsdam Hbf (main station) at 09:36. You can as well board this train elsewhere in Berlin:

Berlin Ostbahnhof 08:59, track 6; Regional-Express towards ,Magdeburg Hbf'
Berlin Alexanderplatz 09:03, track 2
Berlin Friedrichstraße 09:07, track 3
Berlin Hbf (main station) 09:11, track 14
Berlin Zoologischer Garten 09:17, track 4
Berlin-Charlottenburg 09:21, track 3
Berlin Wannsee 09:30, track 5
Potsdam Hbf (main station), 09:36, track 3

(For those already in the train, or boarding it after 'Zoologischer Garten': let's meet in the last coach.)

From Potsdam main station, we continue on Tram line 96 at 09:41 or ten minutes later in case. We'll get off the tram at station 'Puschkinallee' in Potsdam at 09:51.

We will have a pleasant walk up to the Belvedere on Pfingstberg (800 m distance) with hopefully pleasant weather and marvellous views over some of the glacier-shaped landscapes of the Berlin-Brandenburg area. After a nice walk back through a park area we head on to Potsdam City Centre by tram where you might grab a sandwich for lunch.

After midday we get back to Potsdam Main station by Tram. From there it is a walk of about 30 minutes up to the famous Telegrafenberg with its impressive large refractometer, an astronomical device from the late 19th century and the "Einstein Tower". We'll be getting a tour offered on Telegrafenberg that lasts about an hour and a half. After returning to Potsdam Main Station by foot we will take any regional train or S-Bahn to bring us back to Berlin Centre. We have not planned anything specifically on Sunday's evening.

Please have your train and tram tickets purchased and stamped by yourselves before boarding public transport. For Sunday the most convenient will be a day ticket for zones ABC for 7.70 EUR of VBB. (VBB: public transport in the Berlin & Brandenburg area; AB covers most of Berlin, the additional zone C covers all of Potsdam as well.) You can get that combination ticket from any ticket machine in Berlin or Potsdam or from the BVG/VBB shops in the major stations.

From those from outside the GABY-VASA, we ask for a contribution for Sunday's trip of 8 EUR project which essentially covers the entrance fee to the Belvedere and the tour on Telegrafenberg. We will collect your contribution as cash money on site.

(We will not visit the very touristic, world-famous Park and Castle Sanssouci in Potsdam but rather like to show you sights off the beaten track. However, you are always free going wherever you like by yourselves.)

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you to Berlin for this by-programme and of course the following conference and workshop. Please don't hesitate to contact the conference convenors in case of any questions or inquiries.