

### Dear speakers,

welcome to Wiesbaden. We appreciate that you present your talk at LinuxTag 2006. With this last-minute-information we would like to answer all your questions about the event.

### Accommodation

We have a number of different hotels you stay at:

#### Crowne Plaza Hotel Wiesbaden

Bahnhofstraße 10-12  
65185 Wiesbaden, Germany  
Phone: +49-611-162-0

#### Achat Hotel City-Wiesbaden

Mauritiusstraße 7  
65183 Wiesbaden, Germany  
Phone: +49-611-44766-0

### Venue

The Rhein-Main-Hallen are a venue with short ways, exhibition and lecture halls are integrated into one single building:

#### Rhein-Main-Hallen

Rheinstraße 20  
65185 Wiesbaden

The main entrance is called "Dianabrunnen" and is accessible from the Friedrich-Ebert-Allee. It's a short 10 minute walk straight ahead out of the central station through the blossoming Kurpark across the station building (walk towards the fountain).

Parking is limited at the venue, but there is paid parking nearby in several parking lots close to the main entrance.

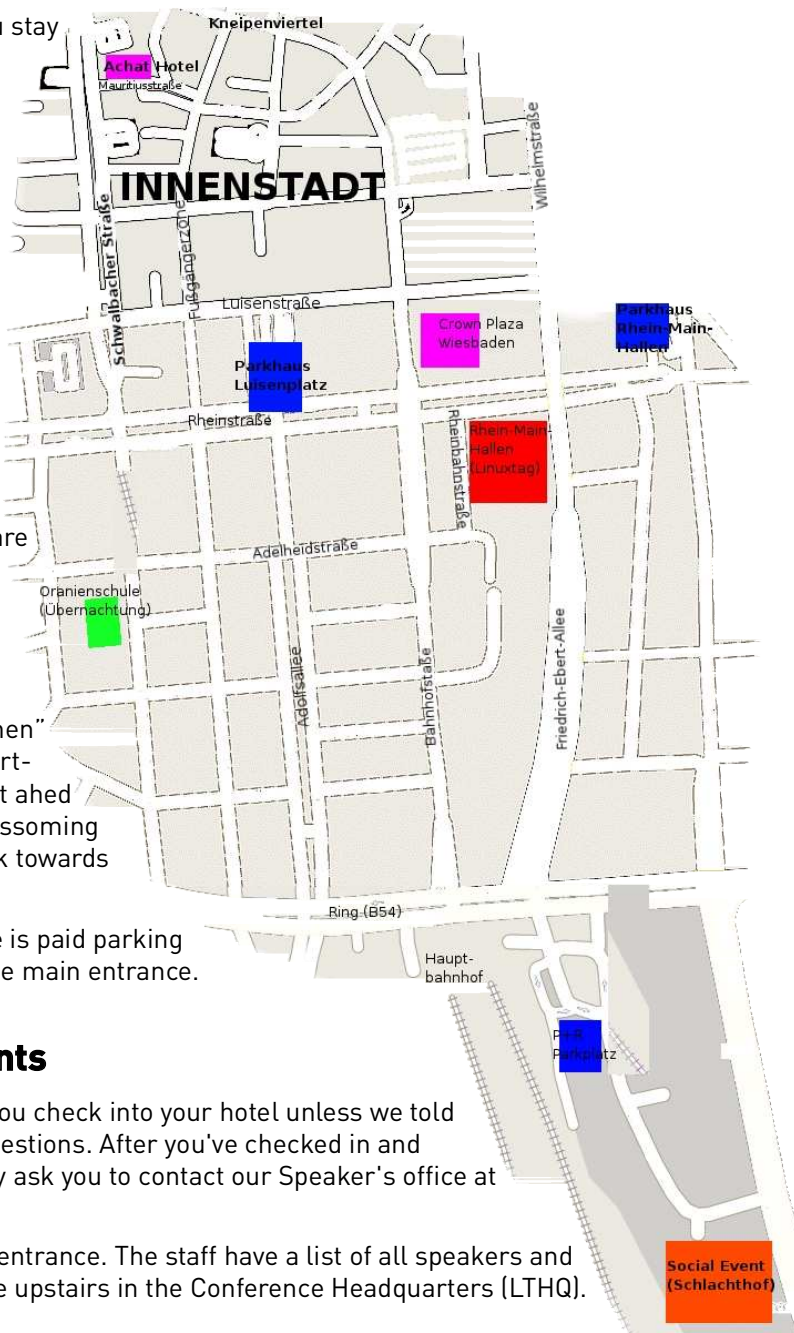
### Orientation and Meeting Points

We suggest at your own discretion that you check into your hotel unless we told you otherwise or you have unresolved questions. After you've checked in and settled down from your journey we kindly ask you to contact our Speaker's office at the venue.

Contact the Speaker's Desk at the main entrance. The staff have a list of all speakers and they will point you to the Speaker's Office upstairs in the Conference Headquarters (LTHQ). Follow the signs to "Veranstalterbüros".

For your orientation:

- the floor space of projects and other exhibitors is on the upper floor,



- lectures take place at the auditorium 7, 6.1, 6.2, 11A, and 11B on the same floor
- the workshops take place in the rooms 1A-1 through 1A-5 on the lower floor, close to 11A and 11B.
- The speakers office and all other facilities of the LTHQ are located one floor above 11A and 11B.

The conference team will happily welcome you in the Speaker's Office and they would like to get to know you. This is especially important to us to see who's there and who's not ...



Nils Magnus  
Program Chair



Kester Habermann  
Co-Chair, Speaker's Office



Wolfgang Drotschmann  
Co-Chair, Speaker's Office

Should you get lost somewhere, please give us a call:

- LTHQ/Messebüro/Speaker's Office: +49-611-144-202
- Nils Magnus, Program Chair: +49-170-3326558 (mobile)
- Kester Habermann, Co-Chair: +49-160-8141630 (mobile)
- Wolfgang Drotschmann, Co-Chair: +49-175-5669859 (mobile) or ext. 312 (local)

You can ask every LinuxTag core team member with a red badge or other staff member with a green badge for help. Special conference related questions should be addressed to the program committee in the Speaker's Office.

Once in the LTHQ, Wolfgang Drotschmann or Kester Habermann will welcome and provide you with a welcome pack containing an updated schedule, a speakers badge, a conference DVD, your ticket for the social event, and some other goodies. Additional tickets for the social event on Thursday night are available for € 25,-.

It is of great help for us if you check in there once you made it to the venue. If possible, drop us your mobile number, in case we need to contact you. All such information is treated with due confidentiality.

## Speaker Briefing

We would like to meet you some time ahead of your talk in order to give you some additional information and answer your questions. We have thus a briefing for the location and technical stuff every day from Wednesday to Saturday morning at 9:15am. Meeting point is Auditorium 7. Please attend at least one meeting prior your talk, if possible, especially as a new speaker.

During this meeting you can meet with your panel moderator, who will introduce you to your audience and help you during your presentation.

You have the opportunity to make sure that your notebook works properly with the projector, the network connection works for you, and to ask other technical questions.

We are happy to announce that we have a special offer for, including, but not limited to, new speakers: Florian Brand will give you valuable hints how to make your presentation a success for both you and the audience. On Wednesday evening, May 3rd, 2006, Florian starts the workshop at 7:30pm in room 1A-1.

## Talks

There is a **panel moderator** assigned to each talk in a track. He or she will introduce you to the audience and is responsible that you finish your talk in time. You will meet your panel moderator at the briefing or they will try to contact you directly. Feel free to give them any information they shall tell about you. This information should be passed to the panel moderator as early as possible before the presentation.

It may prove useful to **show up already at the beginning of the panel** you're scheduled to. Please note that there are usually several presentations in one panel, but we would none the less appreciate you meeting with your panel moderator prior the start of the first talk of each panel and being present at some of the talks in case related questions should arise.

We tried to increase the number of English talks this year. In doubt, try to negotiate with your audience, which language is preferred by the audience and you feel comfortable with.

We will **record** on an experimental basis most talks with a digital camera and store them for later processing. Some talks may also be streamed live. For more details please see our website or ask at the Speaker's Office. If you have strong objections against being recorded, please contact us.

Your talk **may not exceed 60 minutes** including questions, discussion and a short break, for most presentations (please cross check the program to avoid unpleasant surprises). With 60 minutes slot time, you have a net of about **40 – 45 minutes speaking time**, so please make sure that your talk ends in time. Your panel moderator will give you a sign about 10 minutes prior your scheduled deadline. Please be informed that your panel moderator is ordered to end your talk if you're going to exceed your time frame.

We would like to give the audience the opportunity to ask you some questions after your presentation. Please **reserve some spare time for these discussions**, if possible. Should participants ask you a question without mobile microphone, please **repeat the question**, so everybody can hear it. However, we suggest that more in-depth questions should be discussed after your presentation slot. Outside the halls is plenty of space to sit and discuss after a presentation. Other options include booths at the exhibition or possibly the social event.

## Notebooks and projectors

There is a **1024x768 projector** with a SVGA-jack available in every conference hall. We assume that you **bring your own laptop** computer if you need one for your presentation. Make sure your adapters match (especially if you are using an Apple notebook) with the projector and please choose a reasonable resolution (no more than 1024x768).

However, if you need a computer for your presentation and don't have one with you, please let us know at check-in time. We may provide you a notebook and a current version of Kanotix or Ubuntu, based on availability. Make sure your talk displays correctly with the software running from a DVD booted Kanotix or Ubuntu. This applies especially to fonts and special presentation software. The preferred way to bring your presentation is on USB memory stick. Floppy disk drives or CDRoms may not be available.

## Internet Access

Internet access is available via **wavelan** (IEEE 802.11b, any ESSID, no encryption, IPs via DHCP). This network is subject to NAT. Note that we can't provide any wavelan adapters, so please bring your own. Traffic may be

filtered on some ports, so please consider setting up a tunnel. The Internet connectivity is shared with the public Internet Café and the projects on the exhibition. It is available on a best effort basis thanks to our network sponsors. It is thus a good idea to prepare an alternative, should the network not be available.

Additionally we have a TP-cable to your presentation desk on the auditorium's stage. This cable provides a **public IP address** without any filtering via DHCP. Please make sure that you have a DHCP agent running as the lease times are very short (10 minutes).

## Social Event

We would like to invite you to our traditional social event meeting, this year taking place on Thursday evening. You'll be handed your free ticket when you check-in at the LTHQ. Additional tickets are available for € 25,- while quantities last.

**Date:** Thursday, May 4th, 2006

**Location:** "Kulturzentrum Schlachthof"

**Time:** door opens 7:00pm, begin 8:00pm

**Cover:** € 25 (one ticket for each speaker is free)

We serve a variety of food and drinks and have some music. In an adjoining room a live concert will take place: Sharon Jones And The Dap Kinks will play Funk & Groove. Before and after a DJ will put on Funk & Soul music on selected areas.

Please take a look at the map to find your way to the location. The distance can be covered in less than 20 minutes by foot.

## Leisure and Recreation

Aside from LinuxTag there are a number of recreation opportunities for you. To name a few:

- **Kurhaus:** This historic landmark was inaugurated in 1907 by Emperor Wilhelm II. and is surrounded by a lot of green and a number of splendid historical buildings.
- **Kurpark:** Enjoy the spa gardens and explore 75.000 m<sup>2</sup> landscape garden close to the venue.
- **Spielbank:** Try your luck at the Casino. Be prepared not only to have enough luck and money with you, but also to be dressed accordingly.
- **Recreation:** Experience healthy recovery and pure relaxation in one of the baths or thermae.
- **Discover the Old Town:** Did you know that its architectural development is unique in Germany and is described as the "Pearl of Historism"?

## Check-Out

We already paid your hotel balance for up to two nights in a single room, including breakfast as pointed out in the virtual Conference Center. Please pay the difference at the hotel reception at check-out if your balance exceeds this (double room surcharge € 10,--, room service, mini bar, pay tv, etc.). LinuxTag e. V. can't cover these additional costs.

We appreciate your commitment to the Linux Community and hope you enjoy LinuxTag 2006.

Yours sincerely,

Nils Magnus, Program Chair and Member of the Board, for the Conference Team