

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Bielefeld is a town in northern Germany, located in the nice, hilly surroundings of the Teutoburg Forest. The nearest international airports are Hannover (110 km), Düsseldorf (190 km) and Frankfurt (320 km). In Düsseldorf, Köln and Frankfurt there are train stations in the airport. Bielefeld can be reached from these and any other major town by trains running on an at least hourly schedule (Eurocity train system: marked EC, IC, or ICE on the [train schedule](#)).

If you are arriving by plane, we would recommend the following airports (the order does not show preferences):

Hannover (approx. 110 km from Bielefeld) - www.hannover-airport.de/

The journey takes approx. 50 mins (non-stop connections). You can take the S-Bahn, no. 5 (departs at least every 30 mins - duration 12 mins, the subway station is located near Terminal C) or the airport transfer bus from Hannover airport to the train station (departures every 20/30 mins, travel time approx. 25 mins).

Düsseldorf International (approx. 190 km from Bielefeld)

http://www.duesseldorf-international.de/dus_en/

Travel time approx. 1½ hours. On some connections you may have to change at Dortmund, with the connecting trains stopping at the same platform.

Cologne Bonn airport (200 km from Bielefeld) - <http://www.koeln-bonn-airport.de>

It takes approx. 2 hrs to go from the airport to Bielefeld (there are a few non-stop connections). Travelling by train the passengers arrive at the new Intercity-Express railway station right in the centre of the airport. Use the timetables of the public transport services to find your best connection.

Berlin (approx. 400 km from Bielefeld) - <http://www.berlin-airport.de/EN/index.php?nocache=1>

Thanks to the direct ICE train connection travel time from Berlin Central Station to Bielefeld is only 2½ hours. Trains are departing hourly. Berlin's public transportation service offers a bus shuttle from Berlin Tegel Airport to Central Station, travel time is about 20 minutes.

Frankfurt (approx. 320 km from Bielefeld)

http://www.frankfurt-airport.com/content/frankfurt_airport/en.html

Journey time 2 1/2 - 3 hrs. There are intercity trains from Frankfurt airport to Bielefeld (departure at least every hour with a change in Köln or Hannover).

Paderborn/Lippstadt (approx. 70 km from Bielefeld) - <http://www.airport-pad.com/>

There might be the possibility to book a connecting flight from Munich or Frankfurt/M. to Paderborn. Please note that the public transportation system from Paderborn to Bielefeld is not convenient. We urgently recommend to contact the ZiF:conference office before booking!

Amsterdam/Netherlands (approx. 320 km from Bielefeld)

Flights to Amsterdam might be cheaper and more convenient. Unfortunately there are no direct train connections to Bielefeld (there is at least one change). The journey takes at least 4 hours.

For maps of Bielefeld and the ZiF as well as the timetable of the German railway (Deutsche Bahn) please check the web:

<http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/ZiF/>

<http://reiseauskunft.bahn.de>

<http://www.bahn.de/i/view/GBR/en/index.shtml>