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How to get to Bern

Flights

Bern has a small airport just outside the city, called "Bern-Belp." The airport is mainly operated by the airline Skywork that serves several destinations in Europe – including London (City Airport), Vienna, Budapest, Zagreb, Amsterdam, and Rome. The flight rate might be more expensive than those of larger airlines (e.g. Swiss, Easyjet), yet the proximity to Bern might spare you further train expenses. Flights can be directly booked on <http://www.flyskywork.com>. If you fly to Bern-Belp you can travel to the city by taxi (20 min, approx. CHF. 80.00), and by bus and train (appr. 30 mins.). Buses to the train station Belp run appr. every 20 to 30 mins. (single ticket Airport – Bern SBB Central Station: CHF 6.70).

Most international flights (regular and low cost companies) run through Zürich airport, Basel airport and Geneva airport. To connect to Bern from there:

Zurich Airport to Bern: direct train (about 75', 51.00 CHF full price);

Basel Airport to Bern: take the exit to Switzerland (not to France or Germany!), then bus line 50 from airport to Basel SBB Central Station (about 20', 2-zone ticket 4.20 CHF full price) + direct train from Basel SBB to Bern (about 60', 41.00 CHF full price);

Geneva Airport to Bern: direct train (120', 56.00 CHF full price).

Trains to Bern operate approx. every 30' from each station until night time. For all the train information, check: www.sbb.ch

You could buy a "Supersaver Ticket" in advance (discount tickets requiring online reservations) for your trip back to the airport (see: [Supersaver](#)). They are sold starting 30 days before the date of your trip, and they can save you up to 50% the full ticket price. Supersaver Tickets are non-refundable, and they can't be transferred nor changed.

By Train

The main railway station is situated in the center of Bern, at a 10' walking distance from the conference venue. Use the following link to the Swiss railway system to plan your schedule: www.sbb.ch

Tip: Trains within Switzerland are expensive. If you plan to make more trips by train than just one return trip to Bern, you may consider buying a "half-fare card", which allows you to pay only 50% for all train tickets within Switzerland. You can purchase the half-fare card at any large railway station (you will need to provide a small passport photograph). For details see: [Halbtax](#)

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Visa Information

Member countries of the EU are not expected to issue an entry Visa for stays of up to 90 days in Switzerland. If you are from elsewhere, please check the Visa requirements at: www.weisungen.bfm.admin.ch