# **Practical Information for the Workshop in Dagstuhl**

# Semantic Statistics for Social, Behavioural, and Economic Sciences: Leveraging the DDI Model for the Linked Data Web

October 15-19, 2012

Web page at GESIS: http://www.gesis.org/en/events/gesis-workshops/ddi

Dagstuhl event 12422, web page at Dagstuhl: <a href="http://www.dagstuhl.de/12422">http://www.dagstuhl.de/12422</a>

## **About Dagstuhl**

The workshop will take place at the <u>Leibniz Center for Informatics, Schloss Dagstuhl</u>, Wadern, Germany. The non-profit center is a member of the <u>Leibniz Association</u> and is funded jointly by the German federal government and a number of state governments (similar to GESIS).

The venue provides an intense working atmosphere in a relaxing environment. It is located in a remote region in Saarland near the small town <u>Wadern</u>. Dagstuhl offers several seminar rooms and a cafeteria in addition to leisure rooms open during the evening, including a wine bar, billiard room, music room, reading room, table tennis, sauna, etc., all of which provide opportunities for intense discussion and communication.

The center is divided in two buildings - the old Schloss Dagstuhl and the modern section with participant rooms in the center.

Please look at the page on information for participants provided by Dagstuhl.

#### **Further Information on Dagstuhl**

- Pictures of Dagstuhl
- History on Dagstuhl
- Dagstuhl Castle Ruins
- •Running trail "N square" (5km)

## **Daily Schedule**

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7:30 - 8:45 Breakfast
9:00 - 10:30 Workshop
10:30 - 10:45 Coffee break
10:45 - 12:15 Workshop
12:15 - 1:45 Lunch
1:45 - 3:15 Workshop
3:15 - 3:30 Coffee break
3:30 - 5:00 Workshop
6:00 - 7:00 Dinner
Evening Informal discussion (with drinks on own expense)
8:30 - Cheese platter
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The workshop will be start on Monday October 15th at 9:00 a.m. and will be end on Friday October 19th at approx. 3:00 p.m. Participants are strongly advised to arrive at Dagstuhl on Sunday October 14th. Staying until Saturday October 20th is possible.

#### **Internet Access**

Free wireless Internet access is available in most parts of Dagstuhl. A computer lab is available for email. The lab will be shared with the group of the Dagstuhl seminar. Ethernet outlets are available in some meeting rooms additionally to the wireless access. If you would like to use Ethernet with your laptop computer please bring a RJ45 connection cable with you.

## **Arriving from Frankfurt Airport**

Coming from Frankfurt Airport it is strongly recommended to take a combination of train and taxi. The trip requires approx. 2.5 hours altogether. Take the direct train (26.80 Euro) from Frankfurt Airport ("Frankfurt(M) Flughafen Regionalbf", regional train station) to Tuerkismuehle ("Türkismühle", direction "Saarbrücken Hbf"). Tickets can be bought at the train station in the airport or on-line. It isn't possible to purchase tickets on the trains. Please note that Frankfurt airport has two train stations: the regional train station ("Frankfurt(M) Flughafen Regionalbf") and the long-distance train station ("Frankfurt(M) Flughafen Fernbf"). Take a taxi from Tuerkismuehle to Dagstuhl (33.50 Euro). Make arrangements for the taxi at least three days in advance (further rates and contact details). Please send your travel details to workshop-mannheim@gesis.org in case you are interested to share a taxi. We can send this information to the whole group.

If you are familiar with public transport systems, don't mind waiting for the bus, and would like to avoid the taxi fee, you can take a connection (train 28.70 Euro to St. Wendel, bus 7.80 Euro to Wadern). The bus ticket is available at the bus station or at the driver. See the <a href="web site of the Deutsche Bahn">web site of the Deutsche Bahn</a> for train and bus schedules. Use "FRA" for Frankfurt Airport as start (Station/Stop) and "Wadern, Oktavie-Allee" for Dagstuhl as destination (Address). A local map for walking to Dagstuhl will be additionally provided (click on "Show map" / "Destination station") to the schedule for a specific connection (train and bus). Please make sure that you get into the correct bus in St. Wendel. The bus driver stops on demand at the Dagstuhl institute.

When you plan to walk from the bus stop in Wadern to Dagstuhl in the night you might want to bring a flashlight.

#### **Other Arrival Information**

Further arrival details and other travel possibilities are described at the detailed pages at Dagstuhl.

#### Maps

- •Route from Frankfurt to Dagstuhl by road
- •Dagstuhl, Leibniz Center for Informatics; Google map, OpenStreetMap.
- Travel Info Map (provided by Dagstuhl)
- <u>Dagstuhl and Environs Map</u> including Bus Stops (provided by Dagstuhl)

## **Car Sharing**

Some people may want to rent a car and offer free spaces to other participants. A possible exchange platform for sharing a car is <u>Liftshare</u>. You have to register and enter the travel details below.

•Going from: Frankfurt am Main Airport (FRA), 60549 Frankfurt, Germany

•Going to: Dagstuhl, 66687 Wadern, Germany

### Check-in

Check-in takes place on Sundays, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Some people will arrive after hours. They can do a self-service check-in (starting from 9:00 am). The door code mentioned below will be required. Please note that the dinner is at 6 pm on the arrival day. The check-in counter is located in the new building. The entry door is at the road between old and new building under the footbridge just right of the marker on this map.

The door code will be provided in the week prior to the workshop. You will need this code to open the main entry doors to the Dagstuhl buildings. The code is valid during the whole week.

The workshop identity badge provided to the participants must be worn all times in the Dagstuhl buildings.

#### **Accommodation**

We take care for accommodation. Rooms are already reserved. All rooms have private baths. Usually the majority of participants will stay in the facility of Dagstuhl. Due to space constraints, it is possible that some people will stay in a nearby small hotel. Accommodation cost at Dagstuhl including full board is 70 Euro/night/person (this is a subsidized rate). Food, coffee, tea, and water are included in the accommodation rate. Several double rooms exist, so some partners can be brought to Dagstuhl. Additional costs would apply. Please note that few people have probably to stay at a nearby small hotel.

The rooms at Dagstuhl cannot be locked from outside. It is the policy of Dagstuhl, that the delegates trust each other. So please take this into account. If you have any valuables you can ask for a locker.

#### **Payment**

The final accounting for expenses in Dagstuhl is prepared one day before the guest leaves the center. That would be for accommodation costs and the personal expenses like beverages, phone costs. These costs must be paid to the Dagstuhl center. Each guest is expected to write down these expenses on the expense sheet handed out upon arriving at the Center and pay for them with the final bill. Visa, MasterCard, and electronic cash via the EC (Maestro) card are accepted at Dagstuhl.

## **Electricity**

Electrical power in Germany is 250V/50Hz as in most countries of Europe. A plug adapter is usually sufficient for notebooks. Other electric devices can be destroyed by too high voltage, so check carefully the requirements of your devices. Power plugs common in Germany: "Schuko" plug (the usual power outlet) and European 2-pin plug.

#### **Mobile Phone**

Mobile phone reception can be weak at some places in the area.

## **Parking**

Free parking space is available. A detailed road map is necessary for getting to Dagstuhl.

#### **Time**

Central European Time (CET) is used in Germany. It is still summer time while the workshop week. The daylight saving time will end at October 31. CET summer time is two hours ahead of the Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), UTC + 2 hour.

#### Weather

- •Weather statistics for Saarbruecken ("Saarbrücken", main town in Saarland, the federal state where Dagstuhl is located).
- •Current weather forecast for the region.

#### **Other Events**

Parallel to the Workshop, an official Dagstuhl seminar will take place with approx. 40 people. The leisure rooms are shared with that group. It is an informatics seminar with the title "<u>Algebraic and Combinatorial Methods in Computational Complexity</u>".

The week after this workshop, a DDI workshop will take place in Dagstuhl with the title "DDI Lifecycle: Moving Forward".

# **Hotels at Frankfurt Airport with Shuttle Services**

In case somebody needs a hotel at the Frankfurt airport when departing Saturday morning by plane, the <a href="http://www.hotels.com/">http://www.hotel at the Frankfurt airport when departing Saturday morning by plane, the <a href="http://www.hotels.com/">http://www.hotels.com/</a>, the airport. Some popular Internet booking agencies are <a href="http://www.hotels.com/">http://www.hotels.com/</a>, <a href="http://www.hotels.com/">http://www.hotels.com/</a>, <a href="http://www.hotels.com/">http://www.hotels.com/</a>, <a href="http://www.hotels.com/">http://www.hotels.com/</a>, <a href="http://www.hotels.com/">http://www.hotels.com/</a>, <a href="http://www.hotels.com/">http://www.hotels.com/</a>.

# **Further Maps**

- Wadern city map, in German (look for "Oktavie-Allee" in the navigation column).
- Location of <u>Hotel Steil.</u>

# **Street Addresses, Phone Numbers**

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