

Travel Information

1 Getting to Aachen

1.1 By airplane

The two closest international airports are Düsseldorf (DUS) and Cologne-Bonn (CGN). Frankfurt am Main Airport is further away, but offers more connections.

From Düsseldorf Airport, take the “SkyTrain” to the airports long-distance railway station (“Düsseldorf Flughafen Fernbahnhof”). There, regional train RE1 (direction: Aachen) provides an hourly direct service to Aachen.

From Cologne-Bonn Airport, take suburban train S19 (direction: Düren), regional train RE6 (direction: Minden) or regional train RE8 (direction: Mönchengladbach) to Cologne central station. From there, you can connect to other trains to Aachen (see below).

From Frankfurt am Main Airport, there are six daily direct high speed rail services to Aachen. Additionally, there are many more services with a connection in Cologne (see below).

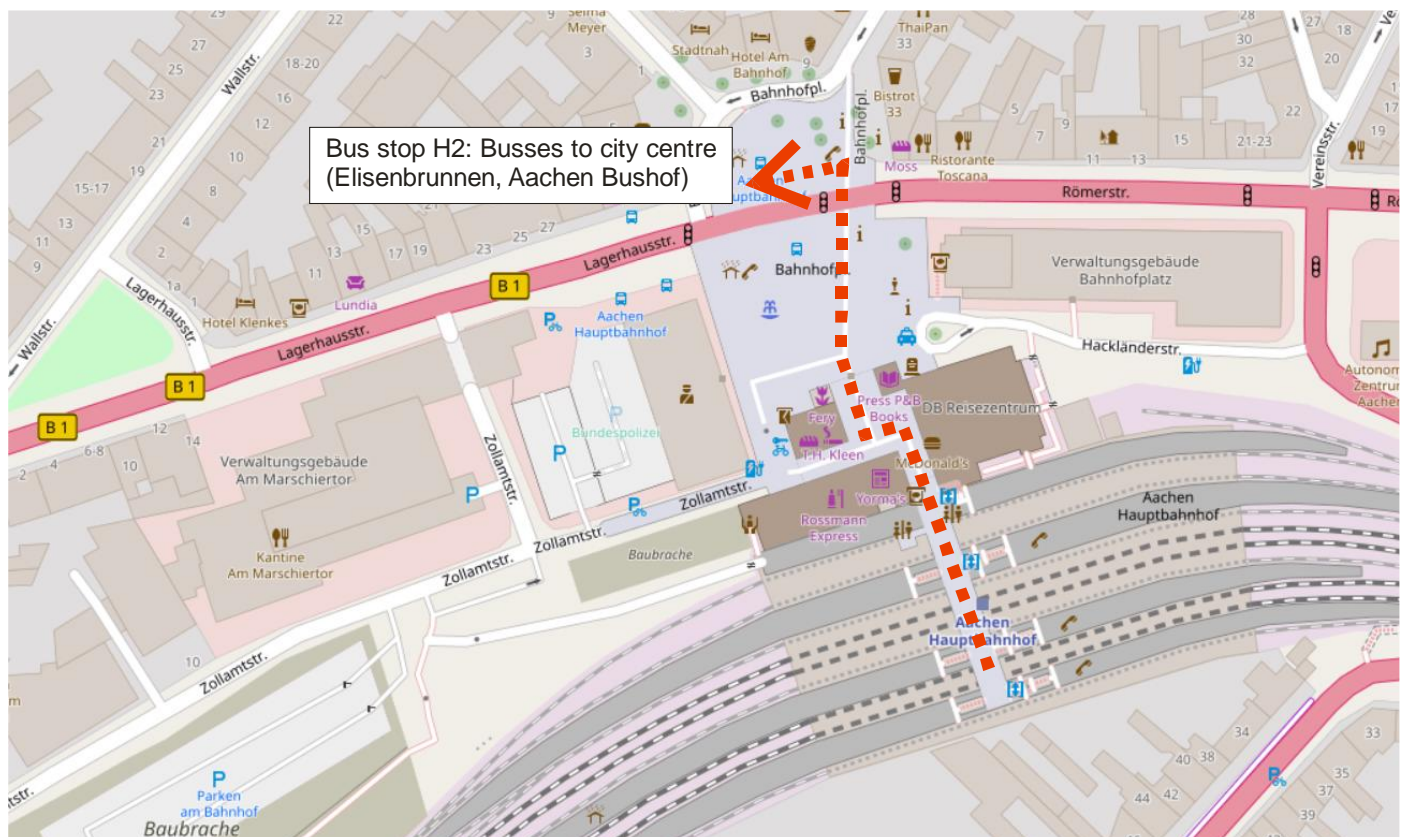
1.2 By train

If you arrive from Frankfurt am Main or Brussels, there are six daily ICE high speed rail services to Aachen (every two hours between 7 am and 8 pm). These trains also stop at Frankfurt am Main Airport and Cologne central station. This ICE high speed rail service is complemented by five daily Thalys trains from/to Paris via Brussels.

Otherwise, you most probably need to connect at either Düsseldorf or Cologne central station, which are the closest railway hubs with long distance train service. From Düsseldorf, you can either take regional train RE1 (hourly between 5 am and 11 pm, via Cologne) or RE4 (hourly between 5 am and 11 pm, via Mönchengladbach) to Aachen central station. From Cologne, Aachen can be reached with regional trains RE1 (hourly between 5 am and 11 pm) and RE9 (hourly between 6 am and 7 pm). Aachen is the terminal station for all three regional trains (RE1, RE4 and RE9).

Please check www.bahn.de for detailed information about connections and fares. Train tickets must be bought in advance either online or at ticket machines in the train stations.

From Aachen central station, local busses (lines 11, 14, 21, 31, 44, 51 and SB63) depart from platform H2 (across the street) towards the city centre. A single ticket for travel within Aachen’s city centre (“City-XL ticket”) costs 1.70€ and is valid for 40 minutes. For travel beyond the city centre, a single ticket costs 2.70€. Bus tickets can be purchased from the driver.



2 Travel within Aachen: Getting to the hotels and the conference venue

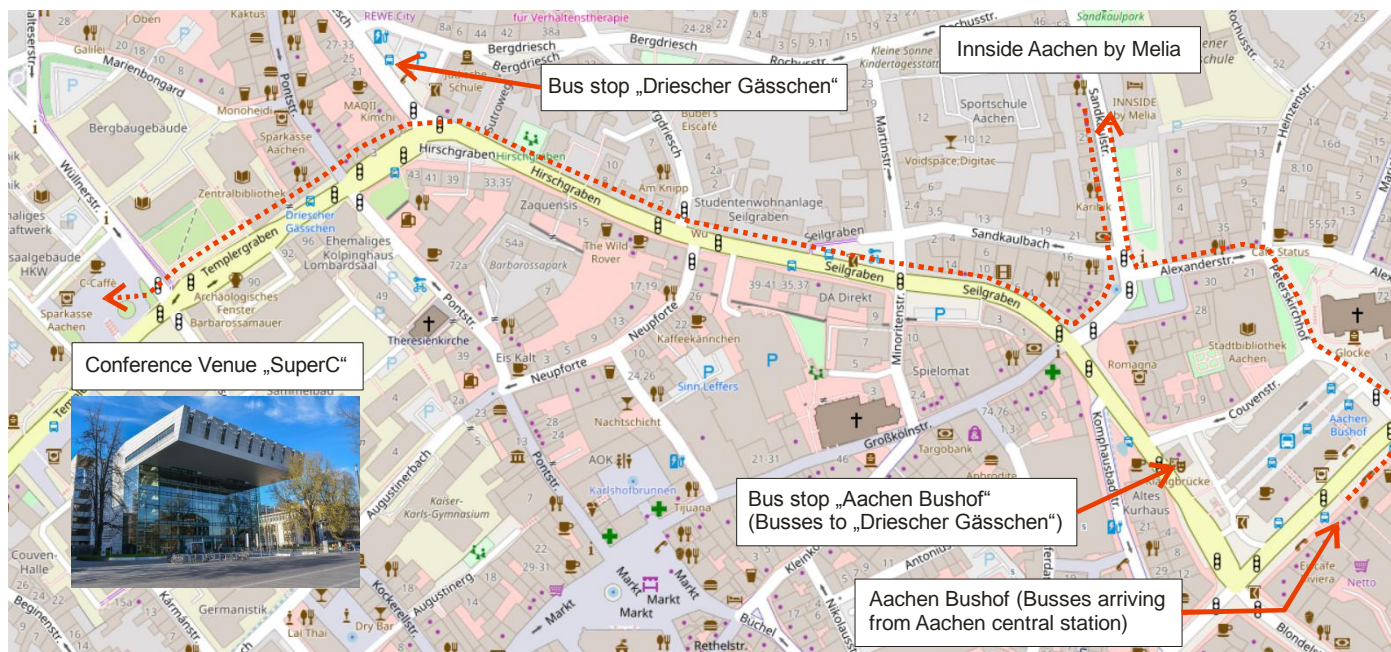
2.1 Aquis Grana Cityhotel

From Aachen central station, take the local busses from bus platform H2 towards the city centre and leave the bus at “Elisenbrunnen”. From there, it is only a short walk (300m). The conference venue SuperC is within walking distance (700m) of the Aquis Grana Cityhotel. Otherwise, bus 33 (direction: Uniklinik or Vaals) runs every 15 minutes from “Elisenbrunnen” to “Driescher Gässchen”.



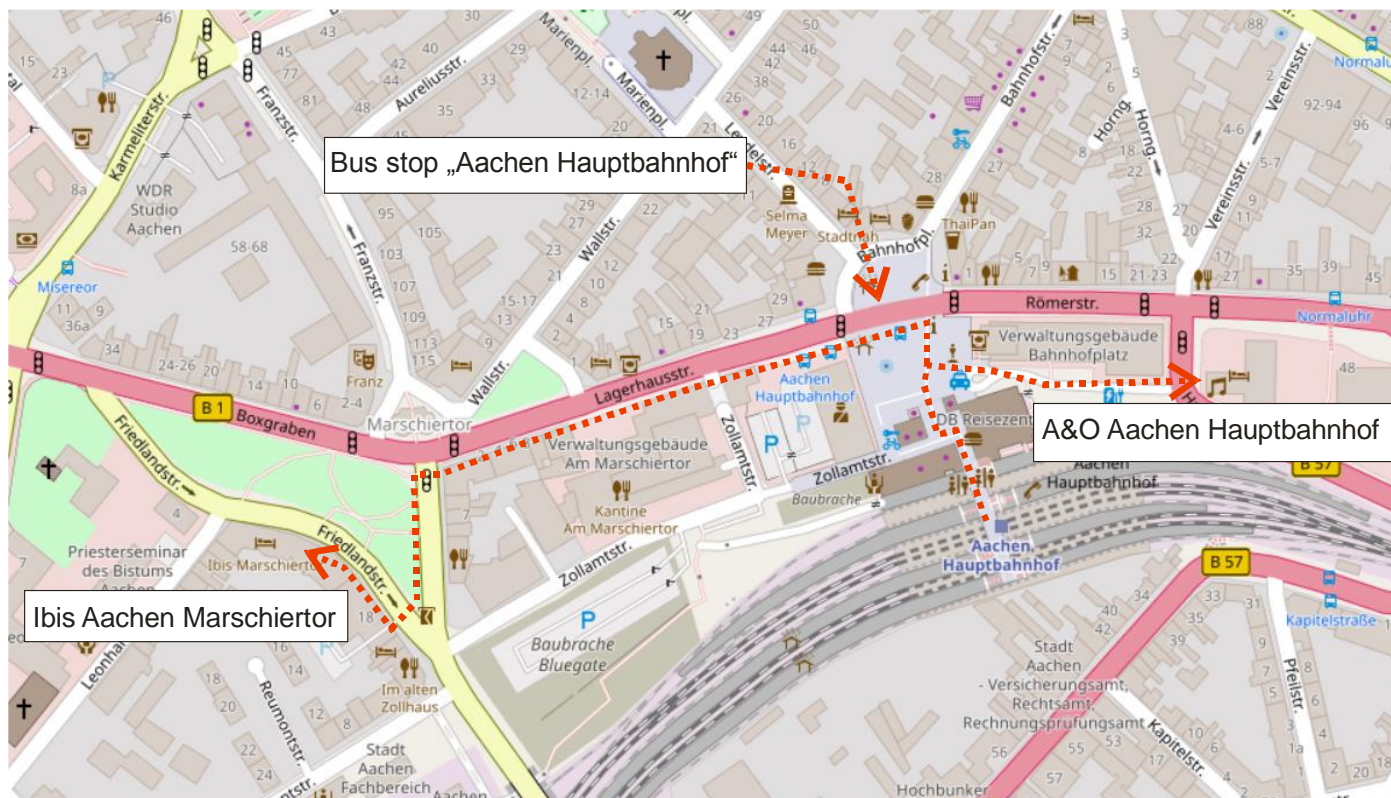
2.2 Inside Aachen by Melia

From Aachen central station, take the local busses from platform H2 towards the city centre and leave the bus at “Aachen Bushof”. From there, it is only a short walk (400m). From Inside Aachen by Melia, the conference venue SuperC is within walking distance (800m). Otherwise, busses 1, 4, 7, 16, 27, 33, 37, 41, 44, 47, 73, 147 and 173 run from Aachen Bushof’s platform H.14 to “Driescher Gässchen”.



2.3 Ibis Aachen Marschierort / A&O Aachen Hauptbahnhof

Both hotels are in direct vicinity to Aachen’s central station. In order to get to the conference venue SuperC, take bus 13A or 13B from bus stop “Aachen Hauptbahnhof” to “Technische Hochschule”. The bus stop “Technische Hochschule” is located directly at the conference venue. Please note, that bus 13 is a circular line. 13A runs counter clockwise and 13B runs clockwise; due to faster scheduled travel time (10 min vs. 18 min) bus 13B (departing from bus platform H2 across the street) should be preferred.



3 Other relevant locations

3.1 The Helmholtz-Institute for Biomedical Engineering

The Helmholtz-Institute for Biomedical Engineering is in the west outside Aachen's city centre and next to RWTH Aachen's university hospital. It can be reached with busses 1, 41, 33 and 73 from Aachen Bushof as well as 3A/B from Aachen central station (bus stop "Worringer Weg").

3.2 Conference Dinner: "Altes Kurhaus"

The location of the conference dinner is in the city centre next to Aachen's central bus station ("Aachen Bushof").

3.3 Franziskus-Hospital

The Franziskus-Hospital is in the southwest outside Aachen's city centre. Bus 4 offers a direct connection from Aachen's central bus station to the hospital (bus stop "Franziskushospital").

4 Overview map of Aachen

