

Aachen as a Congress City - high-tech equipment and historical surroundings guarantee high quality conferences

Already at the time of Charlemagne scholars appreciated Aachen's "conference facilities". The mixed atmosphere of European and cosmopolitan ideas of the old Emperor's city was found to be an uplifting influence for poets, philosophers and scientists from all parts of the empire who were keen to join Charlemagne's court. They set an example for centuries to come: Today's successors of the medieval spiritual and philosophical elite value Aachen for its congresses, conferences, seminars and trainings. At the beginning of the 21st century this city in the heart of Europe offers great incentives: An excellent transport infrastructure, a "spiritual and philosophical climate" that has been formed by the University, the Colleges and the numerous scientific research institutes, an extraordinary range of art, culture and pubs and most especially the perfect service that seems to come along with every event.

The quality standard of Aachen as a congress city can be shown by some impressive figures. Every year there are several hundreds of smaller events and 40 to 50 congresses with more than 200 participants, amongst them six to seven large congresses with more than 1,000 participants. All of them guarantee that the endless stream of guest from all over the world, who come to the city in order to learn, exchange information and experiences as well as to continue the dialogue with their colleagues, never ends. The number of events that have become firmly established in Aachen by now grows every year. Their names are now an inseparable part of Charlemagne's city: For example the "West German Psychotherapy Seminar", the annual "Aachen Textile Convention", which is organised by the Textile Research Centre Aachen, the "IKV Colloquium for Plastic Engineers" who come from all over the world and the "Aachen Colloquium for Vehicle and Engine Technology".

The Eurogress is the heart of Aachen as a congress city. This congress centre was built towards the end of the seventies along the prestigious Monheimsallee very close to the Kurpark, the Casino and to the biggest Aachen hotel, the Quellenhof Aachen. The Eurogress has been the venue for the "German Doctors Convention", numerous political party conferences, "German Historians Convention" and the "Annual Conference of the German Diabetes Society".

The Eurogress offers twelve halls and conference rooms that can seat 20, 200 or even 1.700 people according to demand. All rooms are equipped with modern conference and communication technology.

The adjacent Pullman Aachen Quellenhof offers twelve exclusive event rooms and a ballroom, which can provide the appropriate environment for any kind of event.

Furthermore Aachen has a large variety of additional event locations with their own special atmosphere. You can find anything from the post-modern Technology Centre to the historic and venerable Coronation Hall. If you prefer a student atmosphere you can use the Main Lecture Hall, if you like it pleasant and homely please have a look at the Saaltheater.

The common worry of every event organiser – the entertainment of congress participants outside the official programme – has never been a problem for Aachen organisers. The city offers a wide range of cultural events and numerous street cafés in summer. In winter guests from all over the world are attracted by the famous Aachen pubs. After a stretching conference day it can be very healing to relax with a glass of beer or wine in one of the pubs. Many heated discussions that seemed impossible to solve at the conference table, have come to an honourable agreement at a rustic pub table at some point during the night somewhere in the Old Town of Aachen between Pontstraße and Krämerstraße ...

Information:

aachen tourist service e.v.

aachen congress

POB 10 22 51, 52022 Aachen

Tel.: +49/(0)2 41/180 29 18

Fax: +49/(0)2 41/180 29 30

info@aachen-congress.de

www.aachen-tourist.de

Press Contact:

Melanie Salmen

aachen tourist service e.v.

Postfach 10 22 51

52022 Aachen

Tel.: +49/241/180 29 41

Fax: +49/241/180 29 30

presse@aachen-tourist.de

www.aachen-tourist.de