

## Information about the hotel situation in Cologne for IDS 2019

IDS is a true magnet for over 180,000 visitors in the dental industry, who visit Cologne from around the world every two years. Many of them come as guests for a single day and many spend several days at IDS. Our exhibitors and visitors should feel comfortable in Cologne, their participation at the fair and their travel planning should be easy and trouble-free, and their stay in Cologne should be pleasant.

Leading trade fairs such as IDS generate several hundred thousand overnight stays for their international customers in Cologne and the region every two years in the short period of just over seven days - including setting up and dismantling the stands. The Cologne-Bonn-Düsseldorf conurbation is well equipped to handle these capacities. For example, around 30 hotel boats will be deployed at IDS to ensure additional capacity. There are various accommodation offers in all price and quality categories from simple pensions and private rooms to luxurious five-star hotels. We try to meet the different needs and wishes of our international guests in the best possible way.

On the IDS website, you can find helpful information on trade fair participation, but you can also make direct bookings for travel and accommodations. The online booking system includes numerous partner hotels, but also bed & breakfast offers in its portfolio - directly in Cologne or in the surrounding area. Reservations for groups of six or more can also be made here. All bookings are free of charge!

If you have any problems with your travel plans or hotel reservations and would like assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us directly. Just send us an e-mail with your request and we will take care of your request. Simply select the menu item "Travel and accommodation" on the IDS website and then click on "Write an E-Mail".

Our guests enjoy overnight stays in the area surrounding Cologne thanks to the excellent public transport connections to the trade fair grounds. The cities of Düsseldorf and Bonn are less than 30 minutes away. IDS visitors can thus also stay overnight in all categories in smaller towns and communities along the Deutsche Bahn lines, which connect the surrounding area with Cologne (Düren, Leverkusen, Solingen, Troisdorf, Siegburg, Hennef).

The IDS ticket also serves as a ticket for local public transport within the Rhein-Sieg transport network. Our guests can therefore use regional express trains, suburban trains, trams and city buses free of charge from Cologne to Leverkusen and Bonn to travel to the Messe Deutz station and exhibition centre quickly and conveniently. Further information on the Verkehrsverbund Rhein-Sieg transport network can be found at <a href="https://www.vrsinfo.de">www.vrsinfo.de</a>.