

FAQ FOR INTERNATIONAL LAB WINNERS

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Travel

Local Transportation

Will transportation to/from the event venues be provided?

Information regarding provided transportation to/from the event venues will be listed in the detailed programme.

Public Transportation

I need help figuring out public transportation from point A to point B in Berlin (e.g. airport to hotel). Where can I find it?

To look up how to get from point A to B in Berlin, please visit Berlin's public transportation (BVG) website: <https://www.bvg.de/en>. There, simply enter where you are, where you want to go, and what day/time you wish to travel, and the site will provide you with fare information.

Travelling with infants/toddlers

I will be travelling with my young child and need certain accommodations. What should I do?

Please contact your local organiser and let them know that you will be travelling with your infant/toddler. They will then contact the Falling Walls Lab team in Berlin to help accommodate your needs during your trip.

Travelling with others

May I travel to the finale with my spouse/family/research partner/etc.?

We want you to make the most of your time in Berlin. To fully benefit from the networking opportunities with others and take full advantage of the programme we have set up for you, we strongly recommend travelling on your own during this trip. Your schedule while in Berlin will be busy and fun, and there will be little to no time to spend with friends/family. We therefore recommend that, if you nevertheless want to travel with others, you add days to the end of your trip and discover Berlin with them after the conclusion of all Falling Walls events. Regardless, if you need to book a double room for your time in Berlin, please let your local organiser know. Falling Walls will then reserve a double room for you subject to availability. Please note that you will have to pay for the additional costs at the front desk of the hotel upon check-in.

Hotel

Appliances

I need a hairdryer, iron, etc. What should I do?

Please discuss this matter with the hotel employees at the front desk of your hotel.

Breakfast

Is breakfast included at the hotel?

Yes, breakfast is included in your hotel reservation. For further information, please talk to hotel employees at the front desk of the hotel.

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Food/Drink

Dietary restrictions

I am a vegetarian/vegan/etc. and/or have other dietary restrictions (gluten free, etc.). What should I do?

There will always be a variety of vegetarian food options available at our venues. Meals there will be served in a buffet style, so you will be able to put your own meal together. If you remain worried regarding your dietary needs, please feel free to bring your own food to the venues.

Finale

Dress code

What will the dress code be at the finale?

The dress codes will be listed on the right side of the detailed programme. The dress code at the finale is listed as smart casual, though, above all else, please make sure that you are comfortable and confident in whatever you choose to wear.

Friends, Family, Colleagues

Can my friend/family/colleague attend the finale?

Additional tickets cannot be provided to international Lab Winners free of charge. Lab Winners wishing to purchase additional tickets should note that, ticket availability is highly limited each year. We therefore recommend that friends/family/colleagues watch the livestream, the link to which will be posted in the download section before the finale.

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Presentation

Clicker

What will the clicker to move the PowerPoint presentation forward look like?

A photo of the clicker is available in the download section.

Presentation Title

May I change the title of my presentation?

Yes, you may change the title of your presentation. However, the topic of your presentation has to remain the same, so only small changes will be accepted. The final title will be listed in various printing materials. For that reason, it should not exceed 45 characters (incl. spaces and "Breaking the Wall of"). You may submit your title change with your PowerPoint presentation. This change must be made by the submission deadline in your checklist.

Time

How much time will I have for my pitch?

You will have 3:00 min. for your pitch. Unlike at the international Labs, there will be NO time set aside for questions, so you should use the entire three minutes for your pitch. The timer will start after your presentation is announced. It is important to stick to this time limit.

Misc.

Weather

What is the weather like in Berlin in November? What clothes should I pack?

You can expect an average high temperature of 8°C (46°F) and an average low temperature of 3°C (37°F). However, this is just a monthly average, and weather is famously unpredictable. Sunshine, rain, and snow are all possible in Berlin during November. Please check the weather report ahead of time and pack accordingly.

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Additional questions

My question is not listed here. Whom do I contact?

For additional questions, please contact your local organiser and/or Sascha (sascha.hannon@falling-walls.com) for assistance.