

Announcement

Meeting of ISO/IEC JTC1/SC22/WG5

July 22-26, 1996

**Technische Universität Dresden, Willersbau – Room B122
Zellescher Weg 12, D-01069 Dresden, Germany**

The next meeting of WG5 will be held at the Technical University of Dresden from 22nd to 26th July 1996. Details of booking and travel arrangements appear overleaf.

The primary purpose of this meeting is to approve the provisional content of Fortran 2000 and the procedures that will be used to produce the draft standard. The secondary, but no less important, purpose is to review the work carried out by the sub-groups established in San Diego; to finalise the content of the Provisional Draft Technical Reports for the three projects approved last year by SC22 (exception handling, interoperability with C, and data type enhancements); and to determine what action is to be taken regarding the work carried out by the other two groups (conditional compilation and parameterized derived types).

Other major items of business are the maintenance of Fortran 95 and the Varying String Standard (IS 1539-2), and a review of the use of electronic methods for information and document distribution.

This will, therefore, be a very important meeting which will determine the shape of Fortran well into the next century, and all member bodies are urged to send a full delegation.

Heads of delegations are reminded that both the Convenor and the host (via the local contact, Wolfgang Walter – see overleaf) should be informed of the members of their delegations no later than one month before the start of the meeting.

Further information is available on WG5's World Wide Web pages (URL: <http://www.etc.ox.ac.uk/wg5.html>), or may be obtained directly from the Convenor:

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Meeting Location: Room B122, Willersbau
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Zellescher Weg 12
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Accommodation: IBIS Hotel Lilienstein
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A block of 30 rooms, 20 singles and 10 doubles, at a special rate of DM 122 per night (single or double), has been reserved at this hotel; breakfast (buffet) is DM 15 per person extra. *Note that bookings must be made before June 7th; the rooms cannot be guaranteed after this date.*

The IBIS has recently been fully renovated to a good international standard, and is located in the centre of the town, 250 yards from the main railway station and less than a mile (20 minutes on foot) from the university. Public transportation is available to the university and all parts of the city.

The special rate of DM 122 for a single or double room (same price) at the IBIS Hotel can only be obtained through

Frau Kerstin Engelmann
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Lufthansa City Centre
Mommsenstrasse 13
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Virtually all other hotels are more expensive. They can be booked directly or through the local host, Wolfgang Walter; note that some hotels have special university rates which will only be available if bookings are made by Prof Dr Walter.

All hotels accept major credit cards.

Money: The Deutsche Mark (DM) has been worth about 0.65 - 0.75 US\$ over the past year. Major credit cards are accepted in most hotels and many stores and restaurants, but you should expect to have to pay cash in smaller shops, cafes, and restaurants.

Weather: The weather in July is usually very sunny and warm, and there is little chance of rain. Expect daytime temperatures between 25 and 35 degrees Celsius (77-95°F), and between 15 and 25 degrees at night (60-77°F).

Travel Arrangements:

By air: You can fly directly to Dresden Airport, located at the northern edge of Dresden (Klotzsche). Lufthansa offers about 5 or 6 (one hour) flights per day between Frankfurt and Dresden (at no extra charge if you are flying transatlantic with Lufthansa or United Airlines). There is an inexpensive shuttle bus (currently DM 8) that will take you from the airport to Dresden Hauptbahnhof (main station) in about half an hour.

If you decide to take the train from Frankfurt, you will have to take a train or S-Bahn (municipal train) to Frankfurt main station and then a regular train (mostly intercity IC) to Dresden (count on 5 to 6 hours). There is also a night train offering a sleeper (Schlafwagen, usually 2 per compartment) and couchettes (Liegewagen, 4 or 6 per compartment) that takes close to 7 hours. If you want to drive by car from Frankfurt, expect anywhere from 5 to 8 hours on the Autobahn, depending on traffic.

It is possible to fly into Berlin, but most Western flights arrive at Berlin-Tegel which makes it rather inconvenient to get to Dresden (typically by bus, S-Bahn, then 2 more hours by train) – unless you want to spend some time in Berlin anyway. The airport Berlin-Schoenefeld is much closer to Dresden (about 2 hours by train), but unless you are coming in from an Eastern country, it is unlikely that you will be able to get a flight to Schoenefeld.

By rail: Note that Dresden has MANY railway stations! You want to arrive at DRESDEN HAUPTBAHNHOF (main station) which is located at the southern edge of the inner city. Trains to Dresden, many direct, are available from all parts of Germany, and hence from almost anywhere in Europe.

By car: Cars can be rented at all German airports. In Dresden, you may also rent cars from SIXT/BUDGET at the Hilton Hotel in the centre of town.

Wolfgang Walter reports that “Traffic is regularly heavy and often atrocious and aggravating. Large sections of the East-German Autobahn system, many smaller roads, and a huge number of city streets are still being torn up and refurbished, and the end of this restoration process is nowhere near.”

He also advises that “Driving clear across Germany (e.g. from Frankfurt) is not recommended if it can easily be avoided. Public transportation is generally convenient, efficient, and fast. Many trains are easily as fast as going by car on the Autobahn (unless you want to travel between midnight and 5 am, and even then . . .).”

Local Contact: This WG5 meeting is hosted by DIN, with Wolfgang Walter as the local organizer. Frau Gudrun Heinisch and Andrew Pitonyak will help with the local organization.

They can be contacted as shown below, but please note that Mrs Heinisch does not speak English fluently:

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