

DW Global Media Forum 2025 - Frequently Asked Questions

Tickets & registration

How can I register for the DW Global Media Forum 2025?

[Registration for #GMF25 is now open](#). In addition to standard tickets, special options [are](#) available for students and journalists. A limited number of early bird tickets [are](#) also on offer at a discounted rate.

How much do the tickets cost?

Standard Tickets

- **Regular:** €349
- **Early Bird Special (Until May 9, 2025):** €299
- **Includes:**
 - Reception at DW Headquarters
 - Catering during the conference
 - Dinner cruise along the Rhine River Valley

Student Tickets

- **Regular:** €69
- **Early Bird Special (Until May 9, 2025):** €49
- **Includes:**
 - Reception at DW Headquarters
 - Catering during the conference
- **Excludes:** Dinner cruise

Can journalists attend for free?

Yes — with [press accreditation \(apply now\)](#).

Press accreditation – Important information:

- **Accreditation is limited and subject to availability.**
- **Travel and accommodation costs cannot be covered** by Deutsche Welle.
- **A valid press ID must be uploaded** as part of the application. Both sides of the ID should be included in a single image.
- **All documents are subject to verification** by the organizer.
- **Accreditation decisions are made on a case-by-case basis**, based on the following criteria: (1) Thematic relevance to the conference topics, (2) Verifiable proof of journalistic activity.

How do I receive relevant press information?

You can find information and press releases about the DW Global Media Forum on the DW [press](#) page. For additional inquiries, contact us at communication@dw.com or [subscribe to the DW Global Media Forum newsletter](#).

Can non-journalists attend the DW Global Media Forum?

Yes, we encourage interdisciplinary exchange and welcome attendees from all backgrounds. [Tickets are now on sale](#). Make sure to grab one of our **early bird tickets** while they last.

Travel & venue information:

Does the full-access ticket include accommodation and travel expenses?

No, accommodation and travel expenses are not included. However, the conference ticket includes a bus and train ticket for local public transport (SWB) within Bonn on both conference days.

Bonn offers a wide range of hotels near the conference venues to suit different budgets. The city is well connected by car, train, and plane via **Cologne/Bonn Airport** or **Frankfurt Airport**.

Where will the DW Global Media Forum 2025 take place?

The event will be held at three venues in Bonn:

- **Bundeskunsthalle**
- **Kunstmuseum Bonn**
- **DW Bonn Headquarters**

All venues are centrally located and easily accessible by public transport. Detailed directions and venue-specific information will be shared closer to the event.

Is it possible to rent a bike on-site?

Yes, a limited number of bicycles will be available for free during the conference. Simply present your ID card at the information desk to borrow one.

Accessibility & conference features

What about accessibility?

The conference website is screen-reader compatible, and all venues are wheelchair accessible. If you require an accompanying person, please submit a request for free admission.

Will conference recordings be available?

Yes, plenary session recordings from the 2025 forum will be available on our [YouTube](#) channel, where past sessions, including 2024, are already uploaded. Follow our social media channels (LinkedIn, Facebook, X) and subscribe to the [newsletter](#) for updates.

In which language will the conference be held?

The official conference language is **English**.

Can I download the conference program?

Yes, a PDF version of the program will be made available online shortly before the event.

Post-registration & conference tools

I'm having trouble accessing my account. What should I do?

If you haven't received a password reset email or forgot which email you used to register, please contact gmf.registration@dw.com for assistance.

I forgot my login password. How can I reset it?

Use the provided password reset link.

Can I create my own conference agenda?

Yes, click "**Add to my schedule**" on any session page. Your selected sessions can be accessed under "**My Events**" via your profile icon in the upper-right corner of the website.

How does the matchmaking feature work?

Our matchmaking tool connects participants with shared interests. To get started:

- Click the user icon in the upper-left corner.
- Select "**Edit Profile**" and scroll to "**Self-introduction, expertise and interests**".
- Choose the attributes that best represent you.
- Save your changes and find your matches by clicking on your profile.