

LHC GRID FEST

Practical Information

Access to CERN

Information on getting to CERN by air, rail and car is available from:

<http://outreach.web.cern.ch/outreach/en/Practical/GetToCERN-en.html>

Accessibility

The Globe, CERN Computer Centre, the CERN Control Centre, ATLAS Control Centre and toilet blocks are all accessible by wheelchair, with ramps or lifts throughout.

Demonstrations

Demonstrations will be going on throughout the day, exhibiting science and innovation from the Worldwide LHC Computing Grid, the ALICE experiment, the ATLAS experiment, the CMS experiment, the LHCb experiment, the Health-e-Child project (pediatrics), the ITER project (fusion energy), Open Science Grid and the WISDOM project (drug discovery).

Electricity

The electrical current in Switzerland is 220 volts, 50 cycles AC. American and Asia-Pacific appliances require a transformer and a plug adapter for use in Switzerland.





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Embargo Policy

The media embargo for speaker presentations is Friday 3 October 2008, 12.00 noon Central European Summer Time (CEST).

Exhibitions

An exhibition of demonstrations from each of the four LHC experiments, as well as from other sciences making use of grid computing, will be operating at the Globe. There will also be an exhibition featuring Nobel Prize winners.

The exhibition space outside the CERN Computer Centre will be open to those registered on a computer centre tour.

Internet

High-speed wireless Internet is available from the Globe without registration.

Interview Requests

Speakers and presenters will be available on the day for interview on a first-come, first-served basis. Please forward any interview requests to info-lhcgridfest@cern.ch.

Language

The official language of the day is English. Some press materials will also be available in French.

Lockers

We are unable to provide lockers due to space constraints and can accept no responsibility for equipment and material left unattended.

Meals and Refreshments

Free tea and coffee will be available throughout the day. Buffet lunch will be served to all registered attendees from 12.40 till 2.00 pm.

Media Packs

Media Packs will be available to all registered media on the day. They will include the printed programme as well as extra material on the LHC, Worldwide LHC Computing Grid and grid computing.

Mega-giga-tera-peta

“Bytes” are the basic unit used to measure information storage capacity. One megabyte is one million bytes. One petabyte is one quadrillion bytes, or 1000 terabytes. One terabyte is 1000 gigabytes or one million megabytes. More information is available from <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Petabyte>

Quiet Spaces

Relatively quiet spaces, with desks and chairs, will be available inside the Globe on the lower floor. These areas will be open from 08.00 to 19.00 on the day.



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Other rooms—outside the ATLAS Control Centre and the CERN Computer Centre—have also been booked for use by journalists

Parking

Reserved parking will be available opposite the Globe, outside CERN's Building 33. Please print and provide your registration letter and proof of online registration to security.

Photography and podcasting

High-resolution photographic coverage of the conference proceedings will be provided and available for download from www.cern.ch/WLCG/lhcgridfest.

Journalists are also encouraged to take their own photography and recordings. Those wishing to take photographs or record inside the CERN Computer Centre and CERN Control Centre must be accompanied by a CERN guide.

Registration and registration desk

Attendance is by invitation only. Please contact rsvp-lhcgridfest@cern.ch to request additional invitations. Invited media must register online by 26 September 2008.

Please print and provide proof of your online registration to the registration desk at the Globe on the day.

Time Zone

Geneva operates on Central European Summer Time. In October, it will be two hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT), six hours ahead of New York and six hours behind Beijing.

Tours

Tours are available on Thursday 2 and Friday 3 October in the afternoons, on a first-come first-served basis. Please reserve a place on a tour when you register on-line for the Grid Fest. Tours will leave from the Globe on Friday and CERN Reception (Building 33) on Thursday.

Please carry your passport with you at all times during tours and ensure you have visas for both Switzerland and France.

Tours of 1) the CERN Computer Centre and the CMS Control Centre; 2) the CERN Control Centre; and 3) the ATLAS control centre and computing room are available. Places are limited and transport will be provided.

Photographs and audiovisual recording are permitted, but time on the tours will be limited.

Venue

LHC Grid Fest events are being held at different locations across the world. The main event will occur at the Globe, at CERN, Geneva, Switzerland, home of the LHC and



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Tier-0 for the Worldwide LHC Computing Grid itself. Information on the Globe is available at:

<http://outreach.web.cern.ch/outreach/en/Globe/Globe-en.html>.

Information on other venues for the day can be found at www.cern.ch/WLCG/lhcgridfest/venues.

Visas

Please ensure you have visas for both Switzerland and France if you need them, and carry your passport at all times, as tours will be conducted in both countries.

Visitor ID Badges

Issued visitor name badge must be worn at all times while on CERN campus.