

Eurocrypt 2004

Interlaken, Switzerland, 2-6 May 2004

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The Eurocrypt conferences are a series of annual meetings whose purpose is to promote high-quality research in cryptology. Anyone interested in the latest developments in cryptology and its applications to information security is encouraged to attend Eurocrypt 2004. This conference is organized by the International Association for Cryptologic Research (IACR) in cooperation with the IBM Zurich Research Laboratory.

Location

The congress will take place in the conference center Casino Kursaal in Interlaken, Switzerland. Built at the turn of the 20th century, it is a unique complex, with its spacious historic rooms, elegant gardens, and modern conference center. The Casino Kursaal is located in the center of Interlaken, a small and easily reachable town in the center of the Bernese Oberland region. The town is located between the lakes of Thun and Brienz, at the foot of the towering trio of Eiger, Mönch, and Jungfrau.

Conference Provisional Program

Sunday, May 2	evening	registration start reception
Monday, May 3	morning	conference lunch
	afternoon	conference free
	evening	
Tuesday, May 4	morning	conference lunch
	afternoon	excursion
	evening	rump session beer & grill
Wednesday, May 5	morning	conference lunch
	afternoon	conference banquet
	evening	
Thursday, May 6	morning	conference lunch
	noon	

Conference Fees

The participation fee is set to US\$ 640, with a late registration fee of US\$ 80 for registrations after April 1st, 2004. The conference fee includes admittance to the conference sessions, a copy of the proceedings, refreshments, lunches (Mon Thu), the banquet, conference social program and IACR membership. The accompanying persons program fee (US\$ 150, or US\$ 200 for late registrations) includes the above without admittance to the conference sessions and lunches, without a copy of the proceedings and without IACR membership.

Excursion

The excursion of Tuesday afternoon will bring us by train into the mountains to Kleine Scheidegg, in close contact with the mountain trio of Eiger, Mönch, and Jungfrau that overlooks the Bernese Oberland.

The excursion is part of the Eurocrypt 2004 program. In order to offer a transparent registration fee for the conference, the excursion is an extra item on the registration form, however. Make sure to check it for receiving a ticket.

Student Discounts & Stipends

Students registering to the conference receive a discount if they provide verification of their student status with a letter from their Supervisor or Department Chair and a photocopy of their Student ID card. A limited number of stipends are available to students presenting papers at the conference who are unable to obtain other funding. If you want to apply for a stipend, please contact the general chair at eurocrypt2004@zurich.ibm.com before April 1, 2004.

Hotel Accommodation

Hotel accommodation has been reserved in **, ***, and **** hotels listed on the web site. All hotels are within walking distance of the conference center. Rooms can be booked using the hotel registration form (**Form B**). The deadline for hotel registration is March 16, 2004. Rooms will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. After March 16, we still accept hotel registrations but can no longer guarantee availability.

Confirmation

You will be sent a separate confirmation for the conference and the hotel bookings. Primary method of contact will be email. Please provide a valid email address and fax number.

Cancellations

Please note the difference in policy between conference and hotel bookings cancellation. The hotel cancellation policy may differ per hotel. It should be noted that Interlaken is a popular tourist destination, therefore hotel cancellation policy is stricter than US policy. This is especially true for ***, **** hotels. For hotel cancellation *Interlaken Congress AG* should be contacted (address below).

Conference cancellation should be done by writing by fax or email to the IACR General Secretariat (address below). Before April 15, 2004 the full fee minus \$80 for conference proceedings and handling will be refunded. No refund will be made for cancellations after April 15, 2004. A copy of the proceeding will be mailed to those who registered but are unable to attend.

Method of Payment

Visa, EuroCard/MasterCard and American Express credit card payments are accepted; US Checks will be accepted too. Submit the appropriate credit card details and place your signature. Please make sure the credit card is valid. If you are not able to pay using one of these cards please contact the IACR General Secretariat.

Important Dates

Tue March 16, 2004	Hotel bookings deadline
Thu April 1, 2004	Early registration deadline
Thu April 15, 2004	Conference cancellation deadline
Sun May 2, 2004	Registration starts (17:00)

Registration

Starts Sunday, May 2, 2004, 17:00 at the Casino Kursaal.

Travel Information

Visa and Passport. A valid passport is required. A visa is not required for citizens of most nationalities (in particular: the European Union, Canada and the US). Please contact your local travel agency or embassy if you need further information. Official letters of invitation will be sent by the upon request. Please note that the organizing committee will not take any financial obligations for participants' conference related expenses in providing official invitation letters.

Currency. The local currency is Swiss Franc (CHF); 1.567 CHF = 1 EUR (Euro), 1.261 CHF = 1 US\$ (as of February 2004). However, many places accept Euros (at a slightly less favorable exchange rate).

Voltage Sockets & Plugs. 230 V, Swiss norm: three-pole earthed plugs have three pins; sockets have three holes. Adapters are only available in higher category hotels and specialized shops.

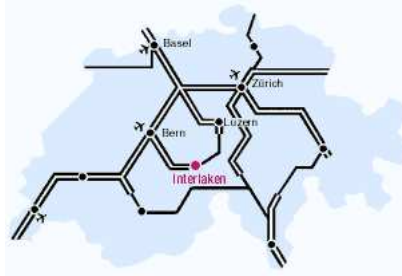
Insurance. Travelers are recommended to take out a general travel insurance in their country of origin or permanent residence before traveling abroad.

Weather & Climate. Switzerland has a moderate climate. The weather is usually sunny in May, but rainy days occur as well. Day temperatures may range from 10–25°C in May, depending on the current weather conditions.

How to get to Interlaken. Interlaken lies in the heart of Switzerland and is easily reachable:

- by plane via Zurich International airport, then with an hourly train connection from Zurich airport to Interlaken (duration 2h40min); [Quick time table: direct trains leave Zurich airport at 08:40, 09:40, 10:40, 11:40, 12:40, 13:40, 16:40, 18:40; for other times, see timetable online at www.rail.ch.]

- by train with good connections to the European train system (including direct ICE high-speed train from Frankfurt/Germany), see www.rail.ch;
- by car on highways from all parts of Switzerland.



Swiss International Air Lines is the official carrier for Eurocrypt 2004 and is offering special congress fares to all participants. See the enclosed leaflet or www.zurich.ibm.com/eurocrypt2004/travel.html for more information.

See also the web site of Interlaken Tourism (www.interlaketourism.ch) for detailed travel information and more.

More Information

Web. More and up-to-date information can be found online at www.zurich.ibm.com/eurocrypt2004. A copy of the registration form and more details can be found there too. This site will be updated as more information becomes available.

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