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CONNECT-NM Annual Plenary Meeting 2026

29 September–1 October 2026 | Saarbrücken, Germany - **Info Pack**



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Venue



Main venue: Fraunhofer Institute for Nondestructive Testing IZFP

- **Address:** Campus E3 1, 66123 Saarbrücken, Germany
- **Bus station in front of venue:** Universität Busterminal





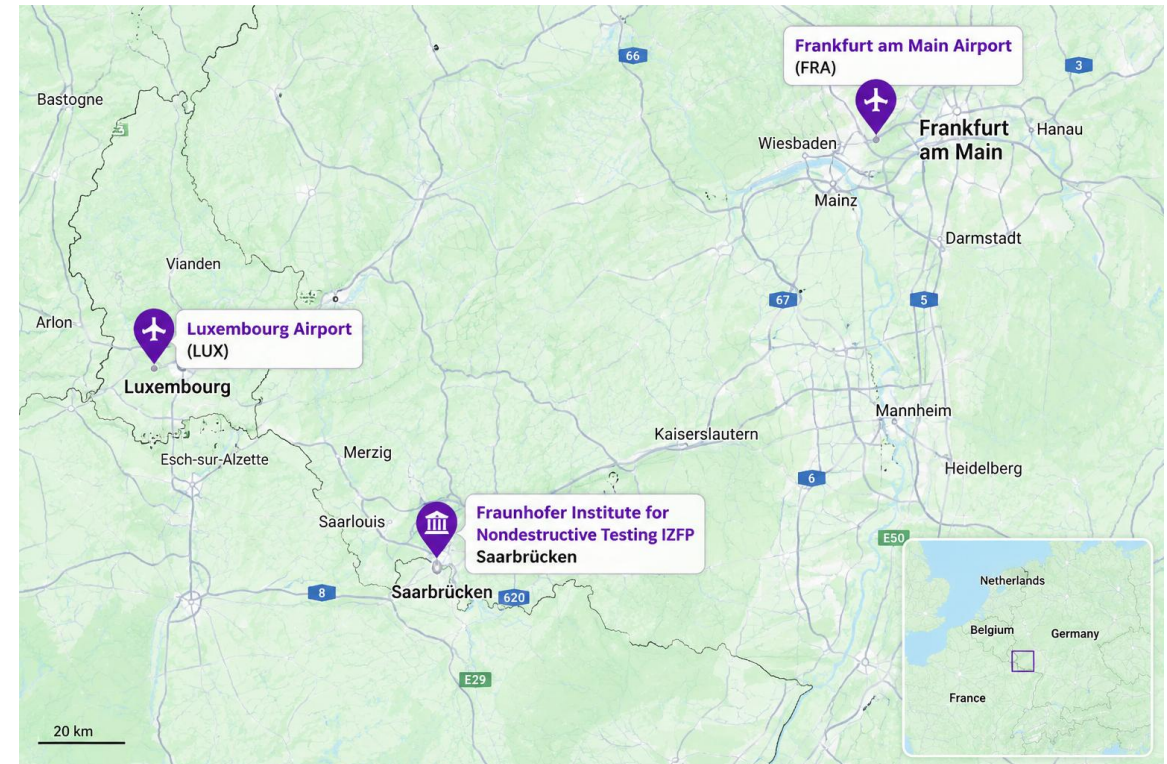
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**Getting
there**



Getting there by public transport

- **Airports close-by:** Frankfurt am Main Airport or Luxembourg Airport
- **From Frankfurt am Main Airport:** Take an ICE/TGV high-speed or regional train from Frankfurt Airport to Saarbrücken Hauptbahnhof (main railway station). From Saarbrücken Hauptbahnhof, take bus 112 or 124 towards Universität Busterminal and get off at the stop Universität Busterminal, directly by the institute.
- **From Luxembourg Airport:** Take a bus from Luxembourg Airport to Luxembourg Gare Routière CFL. From there, take the L40 bus to Saarbrücken Hauptbahnhof. From Saarbrücken Hauptbahnhof, take bus 112 or 124 towards Universität Busterminal and get off at Universität Busterminal.



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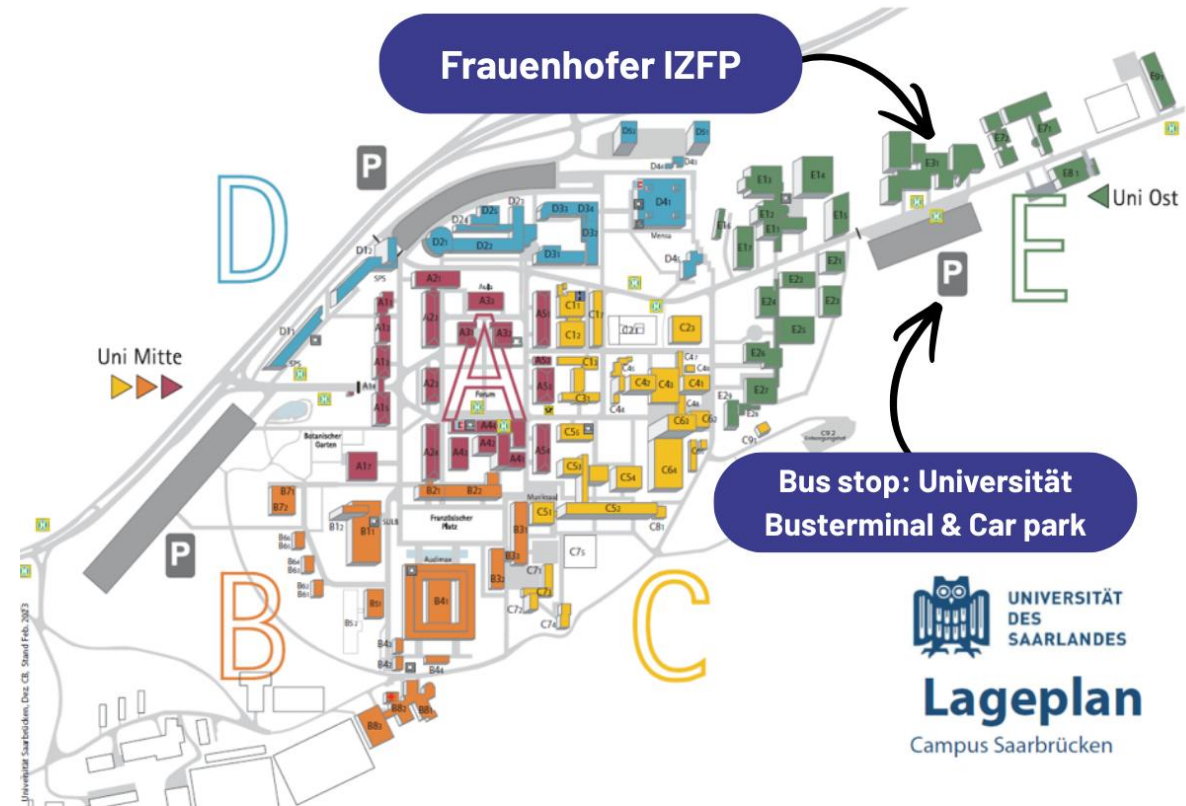
- **Other connections:** Saarbrücken can also be reached by direct ICE/TGV from Paris and by regional train from Strasbourg. From Saarbrücken Hauptbahnhof, continue to the venue by bus 112 or 124 to Universität Busterminal.
- **From Saarbrücken city centre:** From the Rathaus (City Hall) stop, take bus 101 or 102 towards Dudweiler Dudoplatz, or bus 109 towards Universität Busterminal, and get off at Universität Busterminal.



Getting there by car



- When arriving by car, we recommend approaching Fraunhofer IZFP via Universität Ost, rather than driving through the main university campus.
- An **underground parking garage is located directly opposite Fraunhofer IZFP** and has sufficient spaces for visitors. Additional parking is available along the road towards the KIST Institute.
- Approximate driving distances:
Luxembourg Airport (LUX): 95–100 km, approx. 1–1¼ hours
Frankfurt Airport (FRA): approx. 170 km, approx. 2 hours





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Hotels



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Motel One Schillerplatz 4 66111 Saarbrücken

- Distance to meeting venue: 7 min walk to bus stop City Hall 'Rathaus' (bus lines 101, 102 and 109), get off at bus station '**Universität Busterminal**' in front of the institute
- Underground car park

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Mercure Hotel Saarbrücken City Hafenstr.8 66111 Saarbrücken

- Distance to meeting venue: 6 min walk to bus stop Main station 'Hauptbahnhof' (bus lines 102 and 124), get off at bus station '**Universität Busterminal**' in front of the institute
- Underground car park

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Hotel Madeleine Cecilienstrasse 5 66111 Saarbrücken

- Distance to meeting venue: 3 min walk to bus stop City Hall 'Rathaus' (bus lines 101, 102 and 109 and 111), get off at bus station '**Universität Busterminal**' in front of the institute
- Car park 'Beethovenplatz'

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H2 Hotel Saarbrücken Faktoreistraße 1 66111 Saarbrücken

- Distance to meeting venue: 5 min walk to bus stop Main station 'Hauptbahnhof' (bus lines 102 and 124), get off at bus station '**Universität Busterminal**' in front of the institute
- Underground car park



Agenda



Day 1: Tuesday 29 September		Day 2: Wednesday 30 September	
CONNECT-NM Consortium		CONNECT-NM Consortium	incl. YRN members from Consortium
09:00 - 09:15	Welcome	09:00 - 10:30	RL4: Non-destructive examination and materials health monitoring
09:15 - 09:45	Intro	10:30 - 11:00	Break
09:45 - 10:45	RL1: Knowledge and data management	11:00 - 12:45	RL5: Advanced materials modelling and characterisation
10:45 - 11:15	Break	12:45 - 13:45	Lunch
11: 15 - 12:45	RL2: Advanced materials development and manufacturing	13:45 - 15:15	WP3: Communication, Dissemination and Result Exploitation + adv. boards
12:45 - 13:45	Lunch	15:15 - 15:45	Break
13:45 - 15:30	RL3: Materials and component qualification: testing, standardisation and design rules	15:45 - 17:00	WP2: Education, Training, mobility and Access to Infrastructures
15:30 - 16:00	Break	17:00 - 18:00	Executive Board (only for ExB members)
16:00 - 17:00	RL 3 Cont.	19:30 - 22:00	YRN Dinner

	Day 3: Thursday 1 October			Day 4: Friday 2 October	
	CONNECT-NM	EERA - JPNM		JPNM Days	WS YRN
09:00 - 11:00	GA Meeting	Visit of IZFP (all except GeA, incl. YRN)	09:00 - 12:00	Open EERA JPNM Steering Committee Meeting (09:00 - 12:00)	YRN Session (09:00 - 11:30)
11:00 - 11:30	Break		11:30 - 12:15	Lunch JPNM (12:00 - 13:00)	Lunch YRN (11:30 - 12:15)
11:30 - 12:30	General on EERA JPNM & CONNECT-NM (incl. YR)		12:15 - 18:30		Social activity for YRN
12:30 - 13:50	Lunch				
13:50 - 18:50	Joint open workshop of CONNECT-NM and EERA-JPNM on nuclear materials research infrastructures and access schemes (incl. YR)				
20:00 - 22:00	EERA-JPNM Dinner (incl. YR)				

A detailed agenda with room and speaker information can be found on the **CONNECT-NM website**: <https://www.connect-nm.eu/event/connect-nm-annual-plenary-meeting-2026/>

Additional questions?

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**We look forward to welcoming
you to Saarbrücken!**



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