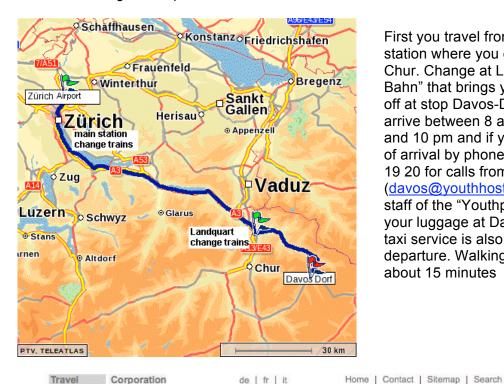
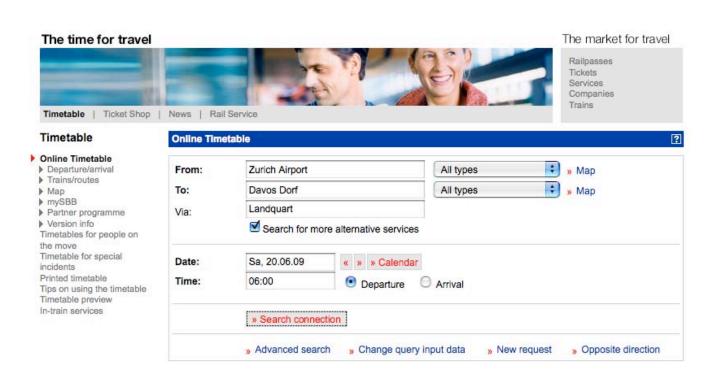
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How to get to Davos from Zürich airport

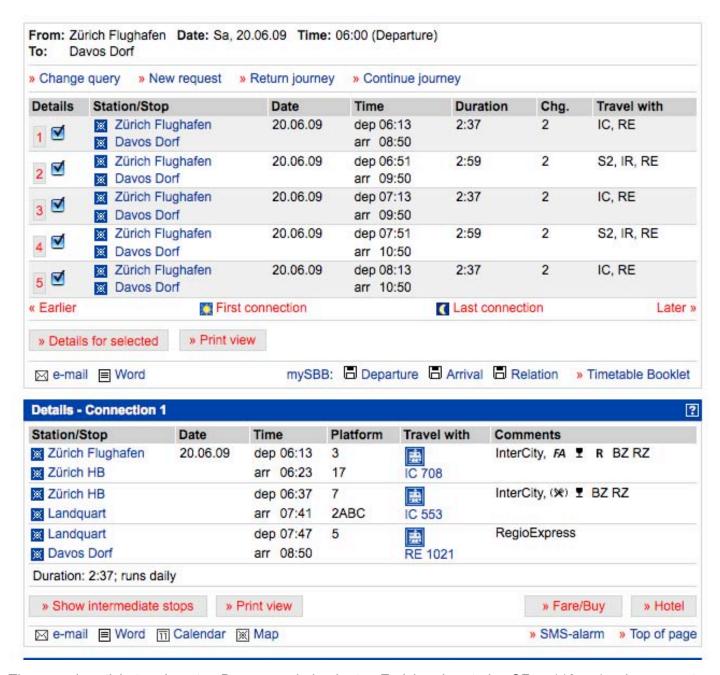
Trains bound for Zürich main station leave Zürich airport every few minutes (traveling time 10 minutes). Trains from Zürich main station to Landquart - Davos every hour (traveling time up to 3 hours). Best connections, depending on the arrival of your plane, are found under http://www.sbb.ch/en/index.htm by inserting the contents as given below. You will receive a selection of trains. Allow for about 40 minutes between landing and departure of the next train. The ticket counters are on the floor above the train tracks.



First you travel from the airport to Zürich main station where you change to a train bound for Chur. Change at Landquart to the "Rhaetische Bahn" that brings you via Klosters to Davos. Get off at stop Davos-Dorf (not Davos-Platz). If you arrive between 8 am and 11 am or between 3 pm and 10 pm and if you have announced your time of arrival by phone (++41 81 410 19 20 or 081 410 19 20 for calls from inside Switzerland) or by mail (davos@youthhostel.ch) one day in advance the staff of the "Youthpalace" will pick you up with your luggage at Davos-Dorf railway station. This taxi service is also available on the day of departure. Walking to the Youthpalace takes about 15 minutes



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The regular ticket price to Davos and back to Zürich airport is SFr. 110.- (exchange rates http://www.xe.com/), 2nd class. The train and bus ticket prices for the two field trips are included in the GeoBio alumni package.

Special train-bus tickets

If you plan to travel further before or after the conference you might consider buying a Swiss travel pass, valid for 3, 4 or more days of travel by public transportation to anywhere within Switzerland. Such a ticket would cover your travel from the airport to Davos and back, the transportation on pre- and post-conference traveling days by train or bus within Switzerland for the chosen number of days within 4 weeks. There are additional discount tickets if you always travel with a second person. Some of the special tickets are only available at Swiss border stations, e.g. at the airport. Please look up details at http://www.swisstravelsystem.ch/en/content/offer/tickets/swiss-card/

If you only travel to Davos and back and participate at the two field trips, the special rates give no financial advantage over regular tickets.

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Staying at Davos

For GeoBio alumni who take part in the field trips and who are looking for an excellent place to stay during the Goldschmidt conference days I have reserved 25 beds at the Davos "Youthpalace", for 8 nights (Saturday, June 20 to Sunday, June 28).



Davos "Youthpalace", Horlaubenstr. 27, CH 7260 Davos Dorf Tel: +41 (0) 81 410 1920, Fax +41 (0) 81 410 1921, http://www.youthhostel.ch/davos

This arrangement is valid only for the entire group; if you attend the Goldschmidt conference but will not participate at the two field trips you should book accommodations with Davos Tourism directly (Davos Tourismus, Promenade 67, CH-7270 Davos Platz. Tel. +41 (0)81 415 21 21). If you stay at a hotel and would still like to participate at the field trips, you should sign up with Goldschmidt directly and book the field trips there.

The following rooms are available

Category 1: South room, double occupancy: **883 SFr** Category 2: North room, double occupancy: **798 SFr** Category 3: North room, triple occupancy: **757 SFr** for currency exchange rates see http://www.xe.com/

Prices are per person for 8 nights; included are breakfast and dinner (vegetarian meals on request), starting with dinner on June 20, ending with breakfast on June 28, taxi service from and to the Davos-Dorf railway station at specified times on the days of arrival and departure (please request at least one day in advance), a personal pass for unlimited free use of the local buses in Davos, particularly to and from the conference center, as well as the full costs for the two field trips as announced in the programs.

Subtract 20 SFr if you have your own annulation cost insurance policy and SFr 30 if you are a member of the Youth Hostel Association (valid membership card required). I will make the necessary arrangements at the "Youthpalace" for non-members; please check the appropriate box on the registration form.

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All rooms with toilet and shower.

Check-in-time at the "Youthpalace" is from 3 p.m. until 11 p.m. If you arrive earlier there is a luggage room with lockers at your disposal.

Dinner is served until 7:30 p.m.

Please register by sending me the GeoBio registration form before January 30 and notify me immediately if you have to cancel your reservation later. Without cancellation insurance there are still no financial consequences if you cancel before April 18. For cancellations between April 18 and May 16 the costs amount to 30% of the total price of the arrangement; for cancellations between May 16 and June 4, 50%, between June 4 and June 18, 80% and one day before and at the expected arrival day 100%. The quoted prices include a cancellation cost insurance; please remark on the registration form if you do not need this insurance.

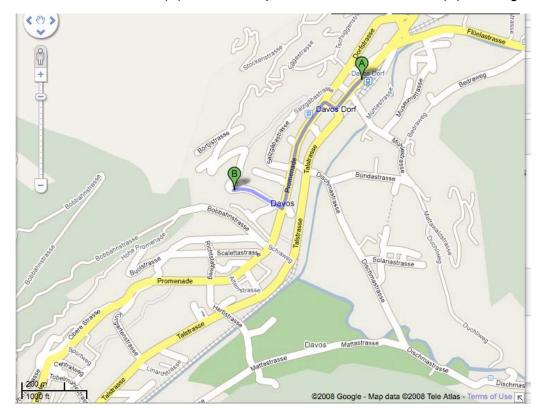
I have signed a contract for 25 beds and made a payment in advance, hoping that we can get 25 GeoBio alumni together.

This registration is for GeoBio alumni who will participate at the field trips and who will stay at Davos from June 20 to June 28, 2009. It is NOT the registration for the Goldschmidt Conference.

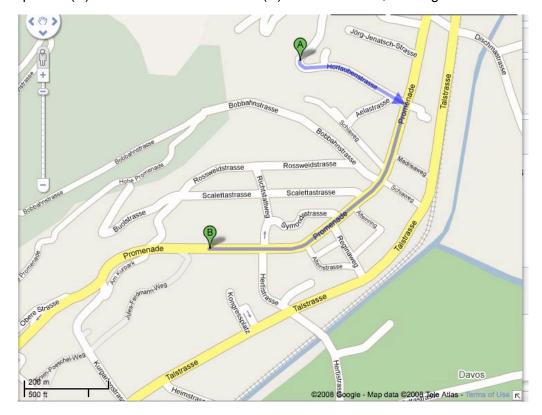
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Getting around in Davos during the Goldschmidt Conference

From the railroad station Davos-Dorf (A) to the Youthpalace at Horlaubenstr. 27 (B); walking 15 min

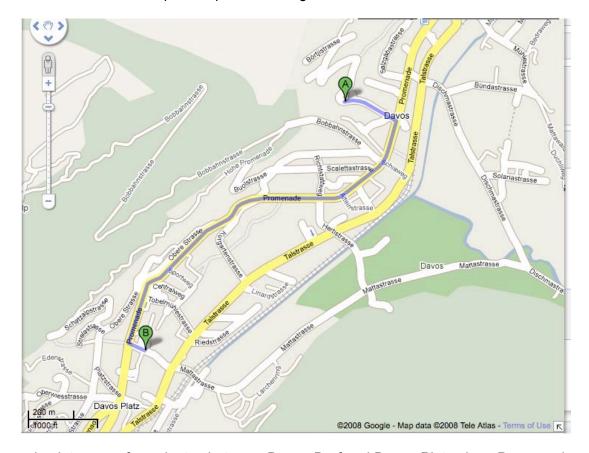


From the Youthpalace (A) to the Conference Center (B) at Promade 92, walking 10 min

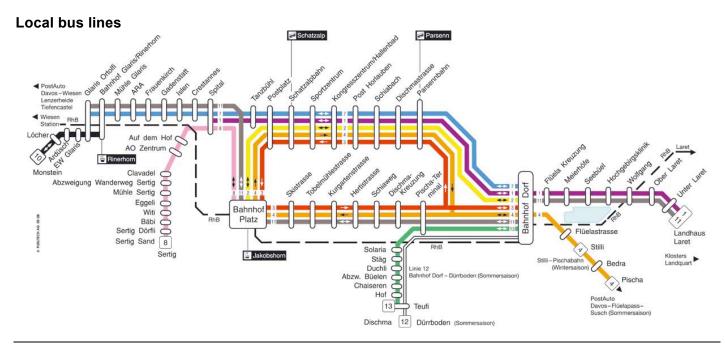


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From the Youthhostel (A) to the Swiss Alpine Gymnasium (B, SAMD, Guggerbachstr. 2), where the introduction lectures to the field trips take place, walking 25 min



Local buses circulate every few minutes between Davos-Dorf and Davos-Platz along Promenade and Talstrasse with several stops along the way. At the Youthpalace, you will receive a tourist card which entitles you for free rides on the local buses. Stops to remember are: Bahnhof Dorf (arrival and departure), Post Horlauben (for Youthpalace), Kongresszentrum / Hallenbad (Congress center), Bahnhof Platz (departure for field trips), Skistrasse (SAMD), Kurgartenstrasse (Congress center, Talstrasse)



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