

For the first time in ten years, the metropolitan

conference returns to the ICC



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Berlin, 13. September 2022 In addition to the Q BERLIN conference topics, there is a good opportunity to discuss about the ICC Berlin.

FIRST CONFERENCE AT ICC IN NEARLY A DECADE

Q BERLIN is the first conference to be held at the decommissioned conference centre in nearly a decade. The ICC is a special venue to Berlin, an architectural icon and a statement of an idea for the future of the city and society.

In addition to the official conference program, discussions will focus on the ICC Berlin itself. On Friday 16 September, State Conservator **Christoph Rauhut** will address this iconic building's importance for the city, and Berlin initiatives such as **Graft Architects** and **ICCC** will present their visions for its spaces.

2-DAY-PROGRAM OF CONFERENCE AND CULTURAL PROGRAM

The two day conference program offers a variety of events and lectures: On Thursday, September 15, speakers will introduce the main topics in short presentations. On Friday, September 16, the topics introduced on the first day will be explored in panels and roundtable conversations. Visitors are invited to experience the iconic ICC Berlin and a variety of accompanying cultural productions. After 6:30PM on Thursday evening, Berliners are invited to explore the building, linger at the bars, and discover/experience different artistic interventions.

The complete conference program and list of speakers, can be found at <https://q.berlin/>

SHARPEN BERLIN'S TRADEMARK AS A CONVENTION DESTINATION

Q BERLIN is Berlin's metropolitan conference. The German capital thus has an international conference at which the important issues of the day are discussed. It intends to strengthen our city's position internationally as a place of tolerance and open discourse.

You can follow the conference events on instagram under **@qBerlinqsts** and **#qBerlin22**.

ABOUT THE ICC BERLIN

The Internationales Congress Centrum (ICC) Berlin was designed by architects Ralf Schüler and Ursulina Schüler-Witte and completed in 1979. Once Europe's largest conference centre, it became a symbol for a metropolitan, futuristic Berlin. After the building closed in 2014, it faced the threat of demolition before being listed as a historic monument in 2019.

ABOUT Q BERLIN

Q BERLIN has been curated and organized by visitBerlin since 2017. It is co-funded by the Senate Chancellery of Berlin and hosted by the Governing Mayor of Berlin, Franziska Giffey. The conference is open to a broad audience and welcomes all stakeholders who seek to shape the future. Q BERLIN will take place in a hybrid format, allowing participants to follow the debates live in Berlin and also online.

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