



INVITATION

AMMLXXVI

Annual Congress – General Assembly 2026 – Bern
Association of Masonic Museums, Libraries & Archives

2 - 4 July 2026, Bern



INVITATION TO THE AMMLA CONGRESS 2026

It is with great pleasure that we invite representatives of our member institutions, along with their partners, to attend the AMMLA Congress 2026.

From 2 to 4 July 2026, we look forward to welcoming you to our federal capital, Bern – a city that reflects history, culture, and living tradition in a truly distinctive manner.

For your stay, we have reserved a contingent of rooms in three centrally located hotels in Bern, and free day tickets for public transport will be provided. The rooms can be booked individually until 20 May 2026 at the latest using the reference «AMMLA».

We kindly recommend making your reservations early.

The AMMLA General Assembly and the panel presentations will be held at the Masonic Museum Switzerland in Bern.

In this remarkable setting, which uniquely represents the cultural memory of our fraternity, we will take stock together, explore future prospects, and further strengthen our international exchange. During the official reception and the gala dinner,

Grand Masters and the Grand Mistress of several Swiss Masonic Obediences, along with representatives of the City Council and of our museum's Friends' Association, will offer brief addresses and welcome participants, partners, and guests.

Register at ammla.museum/congress26/



CULTURAL PROGRAMME AND EXCURSIONS

For the partners of our delegates, we have arranged a rich and varied cultural programme with excursions. Highlights include a guided walk through the historic old town of Thun, a picturesque lakeside town at the gateway to the Bernese Alps, with a visit to the terrace of its medieval castle, followed by a boat trip on the deep-blue waters of Lake Thun.

The alternative is a guided visit to the Bern Bear Park, home to the city's heraldic animals and a long-standing emblem of Bern's identity and civic tradition. As both visits take place at the same time, participants are kindly requested to select one of the two options.

The programme in Bern also includes a guided tour of the UNESCO World Heritage Old Town and a visit to the Bern Minster, the largest late-Gothic church in Switzerland, including access to its bell tower with its remarkable panoramic views over the historic city and the surrounding Alpine landscape.

The programme continues with a journey on the Niesen funicular railway to the impressive Alpine panoramic viewpoint of the Niesen summit at 2,336 metres above sea level.

In Bern itself, partners will have the opportunity to choose between two guided visits to some of the city's most emblematic landmarks. One option is a tour of the historic Zytglogge clock tower, Bern's celebrated medieval astronomical clock and one of the most recognisable symbols of the old city.

We would be delighted if many representatives of our member institutions, together with their partners, were to accept this invitation and join us in making the AMMLA Congress 2026 in Bern an inspiring, collegial and truly memorable gathering.



Participants are kindly requested to register by 20 May 2026 at the latest via the QR code or by visiting ammla.museum/congress26/



HOTEL INFORMATION

We have reserved a contingent of rooms for three nights at the hotels listed below. Participants must make their own reservations. All rates include breakfast but exclude taxes of CHF 5.70 per person per night and may be subject to minor changes

Please make your own reservation by email with the reference «AMMLA».



Hotels	Rooms	Rates per night
Best Western Plus Hotel Bern **** Zeughausgasse 9 CH-3011 Bern Reservation: reception@hotelbern.ch	Standard Room- double usage Standard Room- single usage	CHF 239.– CHF 217.–
Hotel Kreuz Bern *** Zeughausgasse 41 CH-3011 Bern Reservation: info@kreuzbern.ch	Standard Room- double usage Standard Room- single usage Deluxe Single Room (all average rate)	CHF 207.– CHF 177.– CHF 210.–
Hotel Bristol **** Schauplatzgasse 10 CH-3011 Bern Reservation: groups.nhberthebristol@nh-hotels.com	Standard Room- double usage Standard Room- single usage	CHF 255.– CHF 235.–

Bern Citymap

- 1 Museum (congress location)
- 2 Loge Zur Hoffnung (group dinner)
- 3 Odd Fellow House (gala dinner)
- 4 Bern Minster
- 5 Restaurant Schwellenmätteli
- 6 Zytglogge
- 7 Hotel Best Western
- 8 Hotel Kreuz
- 9 Hotel Bristol
- 10 Bear Park

