

egg-2024 - Factsheet (Last changed: May 01, 2024)

# The Meeting

Members of the Triple Nine Society (TNS) are holding their twelfth "European General Gathering" (egg-2024) in Frankfurt/Main, Germany from May 30 to June 02 2024, correlating with a long weekend over the *Corpus Christi* public holiday in many European countries.

Save the date! Registration is partially open, see below — but you might consider booking a hotel room today! The event is open to current members of TNS, members of certain other HIQ societies, as well as their guests, children and grandchildren. Please see our RULES FOR PARTICIPATION as well as our general TERMS AND CONDITIONS. Please read both documents carefully!

You don't have to live in Europe to participate, everyone is very welcome! If you happen to be around on a business trip or during your holidays in Europe, please consider joining in!

#### Accommodation

The event venue is the *Spenerhaus* in Frankfurt, near the *Konstablerwache* public transport station. Although the *Spenerhaus* features a hotel, they are planning a full-scale renovation throughout 2024, so they do not have rooms available. However, Frankfurt will be able to provide rooms to all of us. Remember that **hotel arrangements are made individually** and please book early to avoid disappointment.

#### Getting there

Please consider the environment when traveling and prefer trains over airplanes. Or share a car. Frankfurt airport is connected to local and international trains and there is a direct connection from the airport to *Konstablerwache* (S-Bahn trains S8 and S9), taking less than 20 minutes and costing less than  $\in$  6. Let us know if you need help.

# Registration

Registration is **online only** on <a href="https://tix.3090.eu/">https://tix.3090.eu/</a>. We're using a new system, sufficiently explained on that website (we hope) — but there might be some bumps in the road. Registrations can be done via TNS-SSO (which enables us to automatically check whether you're a member) or via a voucher code (which we then have to check manually). Obviously, we prefer for TNS members to use TNS-SSO, and we will open these registrations first, as a stress test to the system. The voucher codes for registrations of members of other societies etc. will be made available to previous participants soon. If there is a question, just send an email to tickets@3090.eu which will go to Samgar and Thorsten.

#### Cost

The registration fee is mainly for infrastructure we need to reserve and pay for. Your own expenses (travel, accommodation, food) will be covered by yourself. We managed to keep inflation at 0%, although as very late registrations always are more of a hassle, these are slightly more expensive now to prod procrastinators into registering earlier.

Registration before Jan 01 2024€ 60.00Registration before Mar 01 2024€ 80.00Registration before May 15 2024€ 100.00Registration after May 15 2024€ 120.00

The registration website will show the full price (€ 120.00), the above discounts are applied in your cart. Once you have completed the online registration form you will receive payment information (more or less quickly, dependings on whether you use SSO or a voucher). Please do not pay by other means, even if you're eager to register.

## I cannot afford the registration fee

If you are a member of TNS but cannot afford the fee, send an email to tickets@3090.eu (which will go to Samgar and Thorsten), and we'll figure out something discreetly, a fee waiver for example. This has been a hotly discussed issue, however: Seeing that travel expenses are usually a lot higher than the registration fee, the assumption is that those who travel from afar to this meeting will likely have the financial means to pay the fee. If in doubt, just ask.

#### I cannot afford the travel expenses

In the past, there have been donations (to Thorsten personally) of money by various people to support those with limited financial means. This makes it possible to give a tiny bit of financial support to members in need, but please be aware that the idea is not to fund an entire trip to egg. There is no money for that.

Everything will be dealt with anonymously, so if you feel you need this financial assistance, get in direct email contact with me. I will try to do my best to be fair to all applicants, help everyone in need and yet not waste the money.

All this is based on a gentle(wo)men's agreement: You can participate at the meeting with the generous help of others, so it's appropriate to limit your spending. It would cheat the donors if a recipient had the view that "Great! I saved on other expenses and now I can party longer at night!"

## Can I help members with limited financial means?

Yes. As mentioned above, quite a few people have been donating money for this. The deal is that I get the money but will never mention the donors and I will distribute the money and will never mention the recipients. Of course this means that nobody can really control whether I am not simply taking that money for myself.

If you consider that both a risk and impossible to bear, then please don't donate.

#### Contact

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# **FAQ**

#### At what time does the meeting start and end?

As Thursday is a public holiday in some countries, a while ago we decided to start the meeting on Thursday. So at 14:00h we open the door. As people arrive, the meeting gets going and by evening a good number of people is expected

to be there.

There is nothing planned for Thursday, some will go out for dinner, but some others will stay at the venue to be there for the new arrivals.

On Sunday, we usually meet around 10:00h. Those who went partying on Saturday night usually arrive a lot later, those who might need to leave early to catch a flight will leave early - so again there is not organised program, just sitting and talking somewhere. The meeting does officially end on Sunday 14:00h, but some will stay on. Essentially, it's Thu 14:00 to Sun 14:00.

# Will there be a joint opening and/or closure of the conference?

See above - we do have events where everyone will take part (the Cheese & Champagne reception on Friday and the Talent Show on Saturday) because we figure that it's better to have "events for all participants" at times where there is a greater likelihood of all participants actually being there.

# **Important**

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Still, all this means that the egg-merchandise with TNS logo (https://egg-shop.myspreadshop.net/) will be back!