

BERLIN, GERMANY

POPULATION: 3.5 million

LANGUAGES PRIMARILY SPOKEN: German

SPORTS FACILITIES: The Olympic Park and

the adjoining Olympic Stadium are one of the largest sports complexes in Europe. Sportforum Hohenschönhausen is Berlin's second largest sporting complex. The Max-Schmeling-Halle, the Velodrome, and the Europapark Swimming and Diving Center are other world-class arenas. The new O2-World Arena provides another venue for major events.

EVENTS PREVIOUSLY HOSTED: Approx 50 annual events, such as: real Berlin Marathon, DKB-ISTAF Berlin, FINA World Cup, Grand Slam Beach volleyball. Over 13 world or continental events since 2000, such as: 2005, FIVB Beach volleyball World Championships; 2006, FIFA Football World Cup; 2007, IHF Men's Handball World Championship; 2008, ISU Allround World Championships Speed Skating

UPCOMING EVENTS MARCH 09 – APRIL 10: Approx 50 events, such as: Euroleague Basketball Final Four, DKB-ISTAF Berlin, CEV German Masters Beachvolleyball, IAAF World Championships in Athletics, real Berlin Marathon, FINA World Cup

TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE: 2 airports and an extensive network system of underground lines (U-Bahn), urban railway lines (S-Bahn), buses and tramways (Tram) easily accessible by public transport.

AVERAGE HIGH / LOW TEMPERATURE: Summer 22-23C, Winter 2-3C

APPROX NO. OF HOTEL ROOMS: Nearly 100,000 hotel beds

DISTANCE AIRPORT/CITY CENTRE: 20 minutes, accessible by public transport.

TOURIST ATTRACTIONS: 2009 is characterized by the 20th anniversary of the wall coming down. More than 150 theatres show classics, contemporary authors, boulevard and experimental shows.

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