

Information on the Funkturm motorway interchange reconstruction project starting 2025/26

Dear exhibitors and organisers of guest events,

Many roads lead to Berlin – and to our centrally located exhibition grounds. Messe Berlin's close proximity to the urban road network and the A100 and A115 motorways at the Funkturm interchange is an advantage to us all. Originally designed for 20,000 vehicles per day, traffic at this interchange has today reached 230,000, making it one of Germany's busiest motorway junctions. After 50 years in operation, it is now due to be renovated and modernised. The renovation is urgently needed to bring the motorway interchange up to current technological standards and ensure that it remains efficient in the future.

Overview of the current state of planning

The construction will take place on an almost two-kilometre stretch of the urban A 115 and A 100 motorways, where slip roads and bridges will be rebuilt. The motorway is due to remain open while work is ongoing, at least two out of three lanes are to stay open. In addition, a new "Messedamm" connection point is planned. Construction is expected to begin in the second half of the year 2025 and will take several years.

Possible inconveniences to trade fair traffic

Currently, it cannot be ruled out that construction work may occasionally disrupt trade fair operations, which will be beyond the control of Messe Berlin. This may include:

- exhibitor and visitor traffic to and from the trade fair area,
- restrictions covering holding areas for logistics providers,
- disturbances (noise, tremors, pollution) as well as
- re-routing, diversions and road closures.

Unfortunately, plans have not yet reached the point where we would be able to provide specific information on construction plans or inconveniences that may occur.

Messe Berlin will make every effort to minimise the restrictions impacting traffic to and from the trade fair, and to that end we are in close contact with the State of Berlin and relevant federal authorities. However, it will not be possible to fully prevent any disruptions. We therefore ask for your understanding that Messe Berlin cannot assume liability for any inconvenience affecting exhibitors and organisers.

Due to the restrictions it may become necessary to reschedule the arrival and departure times of event participants and the logistical operations of construction and dismantling companies. The experience of past years does not necessarily apply.

Stay informed

You can find updates on the reconstruction on our website and on the website of DEGES Deutsche Einheit Fernstraßenplanungs- und -bau GmbH (<u>www.deges.de</u>), as well as in media reports. We would like to ask you to inform yourself about the current situation here, especially in the run-up to your event.

Regards,

Your Team at Messe Berlin