**Target audience**

The symposium addresses researchers and practitioners concerned with the manifold aspects of rail transport demand management and interested in discussing scientific and application-oriented approaches. Relevant disciplines are transport planning, railway engineering, information technology, economics, marketing, psychology and many others. Politicians, managers and representatives of public authorities are invited to benefit from the symposium as a platform for knowledge-exchange and transfer.

During the two-day symposium, distinguished speakers will address selected interdisciplinary topics in key notes. Designated innovative research and practice approaches will be presented in 15-minute talks. In addition, the best overall contributions to the symposium will be awarded as well as the best (post-)graduate student contribution. Furthermore, there is plenty of opportunity to network, especially at the symposium dinner which will be hosted at the end of the first symposium day.

**Venue and Accommodation**

The conference venue is the Maritim Konferenzhotel Darmstadt, centrally located at the main railway station. The Maritim Konferenzhotel offers single bed rooms as well as double bed rooms. Due to its central location you can also choose to stay in one of the other hotels located nearby:

- B&B Hotel (350 m)
  Zweifalltorweg 4, 64293 Darmstadt
- Best Western Plus Plaza Hotel (400 m)
  Am Kavalleriesand 6, 64293 Darmstadt
- Intercity Hotel (550 m)
  Poststraße 12, 64293 Darmstadt Kasinostraße 4, 64293 Darmstadt

**Registration and Fees**

Online registration for the RTDM 2018 is possible up to October 15th, 2018 only through our website. The rates below, covering all expenses incl. taxes, apply:

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These rates do not include expenses for travel and accommodation.

The regular rate is available until September 30th, 2018. The late bird rate applies for registrations after this date and on site. For refunds before September 30th, 2018 a fee of 85 € is charged. Please note that there will be no refunding for cancellations after September 30th, 2018. We accept payment by credit card and bank transfer.

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Scope and provisional Program

Efficient rail traffic management and high customer satisfaction do not only need an optimization of train operations but also a control of transport demand. Besides long-term and mid-term strategies to influence the demand, e.g. by ticketing and pricing strategies, also short-term measures are needed in cases of incidents to avoid overcrowded trains and to guide passengers towards the most suitable connection. The symposium addresses both, passenger and freight transport.

A visit to the EBD - Railway operation Research Centre is planned for Wednesday afternoon. The EBD - Railway operation Research Centre is a simulation facility which replicates the complexity of the rail industry – in infrastructure, operation and disposition – realistically on 500 m².