Places for having lunch close to GESIS

You will find a rich choice of different restaurants in this area. The following are some reasonably priced places.

Canteen

- Since February 4, GESIS offers a small range of lunch dishes in the canteen on floor -1 (opening hours 8:00 am – 1:30 pm).
- **WDR-Canteen** is open on weekdays 12:00- 2:30 pm. There are several dishes every day, ranging from € 3.20-8.20, additional choice of fresh salads and desserts for about € 0.80-1.10 and regional or seasonal specialties (prices per weight). You can find the week’s menu [here](#) (German only). Please note that guest prices are about 50% higher than what is displayed.

Location: WDR-Arkaden, Breite Str. 6-26, 1st floor. When entering the WDR-Arkaden from "Unter Sachsenhausen", please use the red spiral staircase on the right side.

As cash payment is not possible, you have to buy a guest card at the card machines in front of the entrance of the canteen for a deposit of € 5. You can then top up the card with the amount of money you want to use for your meals. You will get back any remaining credit as well as the deposit upon returning the card.

A plethora of other lunch options is conveniently located within walking distance from GESIS.

Our favourites

- **Vitamin-Oase**, Andreaskloster 14, Mon-Fri 7:00am – 5:00pm
  fresh salads, sandwiches and soups to go, marvellous fresh juices, € 1.50-3.50
- **Punto Pasta**, Andreaskloster 14, Mon-Fri 9:00am – 4:00pm
  homemade pasta, € 5.90-7.20
- **Kuchi Mami**, Komödienstr. 43, Mon-Fri 11:00-22:00 and Sat-Sun 12:00-22:00
  Asian & Vietnamese restaurant, € 3.80-16.90
- **Épi**, Breite Str. 29, Mon-Sat 08:00-20:00, Sun 09:00-20:00
  boulangerie, patisserie, petit bistro, € 4.30-11.00
- **Die Suppenbar**, Komödienstr. 99, Mon-Fri 11:30-15:30
  soups, fresh salads, home-made cakes and desserts, € 3.40-6.90
- **Espresso Perfetto**, 2 coffee bars, Kolumbastr. 8 & within the WDR-Arkaden, Breite Straße 6-26, Mon-Sat: 9:00-19:00
  best coffee and espresso bar close by, marvellous Italian sweets

Other places close to GESIS

- A rich choice of different providers within the main station
• **REWE Richrath** supermarket, Schwertnergasse 1, Mon-Sat 7:00-22:00
  international snack bars, € 7.50-8.95

• **Noosou**, Breite Str. 26, Mon–Sat 11:00-21:00, Sun 12:00-19:00
  noodles & soups, € 2.60-9.90

• **Poké Makai**, Marzellenstraße 12a, Mon–Fri 11:30-20:30
  a bowl of Hawaii, a pinch of the Pacific and a dash of Asia, € 9.90-15.90

• **Istanbul**, Marzellenstr. 9, Mon–Sun 10:00-24:00
  Turkish pizza, kebab, € 1.50-9.90

• **Healthy Drinks and Food**, An den Dominikanern 1, Mon–Fri 7:00-16:00
  fresh salads, bruschetta, börek, wraps and cake, € 2.50-5.90

• **Mamma’s Mensa**, An den Dominikanern 9, Mon–Fri 8:00-20:00
  fresh salads, baked potatoes, sandwiches, paninis and wraps, € 3.50-6.70

• "**Alte Post** Bistro-Restaurant", An den Dominikanern 6–8, Mon–Fri 11:30–22:30
  business lunch € 5.90

• **Great Wall Restaurant**, Komödienstr. 37, Mon–Fri 11:30–15:00 and 17:30–23:00
  € 4.00–28.00, Chinese restaurant, lunch buffet € 7.60

• **Buddha’s Eye**, Nepalese-Tibetan restaurant, Mariengartengasse 5, Tue–Sun 11:30–22:30
  € 4.00–15.90, lunch buffet (until 15:00) € 8.90

• **Funkhaus – Café, Bar, Restaurant**, Wallrafplatz 5, 8:30–23:00
  proper restaurant with light dishes, from € 4.80

• **Brewery “Gaffel am Dom”**, Trankgasse/Bahnhofsvorplatz 1, Mon–Sun 11:00–24:00
  business lunch 11:30–14:00, selection of 5 dishes for € 6.40

• **Kitchen**, Klingelpütz 10, Mon–Fri 09:00–15:00
  baguettes, paninis, wraps, € 4.90–6.90

• **New York Pizza store**, Ursulakloster 2, Mon–Fri 16:00–23:00, Sat–Sun 16:00–23:00
  € 2.99–9.49

• **China Fortuna-Haus**, Andreaskloster 10, Mon–Fri 11:30–22:30
  authentic Beijing and Sichuan cuisine, € 2.00–11.80

• **Da Pasquale**, Andreaskloster 12, Mon–Sun 11:00–23:00
  bar-trattoria-pizzeria, € 6.50–24.90
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Things to do in Cologne

At one million inhabitants, Cologne is the fourth largest city in Germany and one of its major cultural centres. It is the state capital of North Rhine-Westphalia and home to some of Germany’s largest TV and media networks. In the EUROLAB guest room (B001) you will find a folder that presents further information on sightseeing, cultural attractions, eating & drinking, nightlife, shopping, etc. in Cologne.

Another fruitful source for more information on the city and on some of the major events is the official website of the city of Cologne: https://www.cologne.de/

Important phrases in German

Generally, most Germans speak English fairly well and you should always be able to find someone able to help you in case of language issues. However, for day-to-day activities, you might find the following phrases helpful.

Hello, how are you? (formal/informal)
Goodbye.
Please. / Thank you.
You’re welcome.
Yes. / No.
Excuse me.
Sorry.
Can you help me, please?
I (don’t) understand.
One moment, please.
Help!
Where is...?
... the train station
... the toilet
... a bank / ATM
... a supermarket
How much is [this]?
I’d like to order...
... a vegetarian/vegan dish
I’d like to go to... / walk to....
What time does [the train] leave?
Train / bus / taxi / tram / bike / car
A single ride to ..., please.
I am looking for...

Hallo, wie geht es Ihnen / wie geht's?
Tschüss.
Bitte. / Danke.
Gerne.
Ja. / Nein.
Entschuldigung.
Entschuldigung.
Können Sie mir bitte helfen?
Ich verstehe (nicht).
Einen Moment, bitte.
Hilfe!
Wo ist...?
... der Bahnhof
... die Toilette
... eine Bank / ein Geldautomat
... ein Supermarkt
Wie viel kostet [das]?
Ich würde gerne ... bestellen.
... ein vegetarisches/veganes Gericht
Ich würde gerne nach ... fahren / ... gehen.
Wann fährt [der Zug] ab?
Zug / Bus / Taxi / Straßenbahn / Fahrrad / Auto
Eine Einzelfahrt nach ..., bitte.
Ich suche nach...