

Accessibility Statement

Forum Acusticum 2026

8–12 September 2026 | Messe Congress Graz, Austria

Forum Acusticum 2026 is committed to providing an inclusive and accessible conference environment for all participants. We strive to ensure that everyone can participate in the conference regardless of mobility, sensory or other accessibility needs.

Contact for Accessibility

If you have any questions regarding accessibility or require individual assistance before or during the conference, please contact:

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We encourage participants with specific accessibility requirements to contact us in advance so that we can provide the best possible support.

Venue Accessibility

The conference takes place at **Messe Congress Graz**, which is accessible without steps and offers barrier-free access throughout the conference venue. The venue provides sufficient circulation space for wheelchair users and accessible sanitary facilities.

Accessible Features

- Step-free access to the conference venue
- Accessible entrance
- Accessible restrooms
- Barrier-free circulation throughout the venue
- Public accessible parking spaces nearby
- Public transport stop approximately 60 metres from the entrance

Public Transport

Messe Congress Graz can be reached easily by public transport. The nearest tram stop is approximately **60 metres** from the main entrance and the route is barrier-free. Accessible parking spaces are available close to the venue.

Conference Programme

The conference programme includes lectures, poster sessions, exhibitions and social events.

Volunteers and members of the Organising Team will be available throughout the conference to assist participants with orientation and access to conference facilities.

Website Accessibility

The Forum Acusticum 2026 website has been evaluated according to **WCAG 2.1 Level AA**.

The website provides:

- Clear page structure and headings
- Keyboard navigation
- Screen reader compatibility
- Responsive design
- Accessible PDF documents where possible
- Alternative text for images

Please note that some colour contrasts and alternative media descriptions are currently not ideal.

Known Limitations

We aim to make all conference activities as accessible as possible. However, participants should be aware of the following:

- The conference stage is **not step-free accessible**.
- An induction hearing loop is currently **not available**.

- Some multimedia content may not yet provide alternative descriptions or captions.

Need Assistance?

If you require assistance during the conference, please visit the **Registration Desk** or contact a member of the Organising Team. We are happy to support you and will do our best to accommodate individual accessibility needs.