

How to get to the conference

Itinerary tips for travel plans of how to get to Olomouc from different places (airports)

Flight to Prague, CZE (PRG)

Once you can get on a plane that ends on Prague airport, that is the best and easiest way how to get to Olomouc afterwards.

There are few options how to travel from the airport to the Prague main railway station which is the best transportation option to get to Olomouc.

- 1) **Cab (taxi)** – you may hop on a taxi that will safely transport you to the railway station, but it will cost you the most for sure. Some say if the driver see that you are from abroad, they tend to add more money. So, pay attention to the price you pay
- 2) **Uber/Bolt** – you would need a phone app to use these services. But unlikely the taxi, they cannot mess you up with the price.
- 3) **Bus (public transport)** – There are several options for public transport, but you will be interested in only one option and it is direct transport called Airport Express (AE) and the only stop is located in front of the Terminal 1. Tickets can be purchased at the counter of the Transport Company (Dopravní podnik) directly in the Arrival Lounge, in the Visitor Centre, from the ticket machines in the Arrival Lounge and at the stops or stations (most of them accept payment cards) and the driver. The trip takes about 40mins.

Once you appear on the Railway Main Station there are only 2 possibilities to get to Olomouc. There are several direct connections between Prague and Olomouc. The only decision you need to make is to pick a provider (there are 2 main railway transportation providers). Purchase ticket to Olomouc Main station.

- 1) **Czech Railway company** – good and easy way to get to Olomouc. There is a direct “fast train” going through Olomouc at least once an hour. You may purchase the tickets in advance on the website (www.cd.cz/en) or at the ticket office inside the station. Look for the trains which starts with EC, IC. Seats are for purchase as well but you need to ask for it!
 - 2) **RegioJet company** – more comfortable way with onboard catering for about the same price. Tickets also available online (www.regiojet.com) or at the ticket office inside (look for a corner smaller ticket office signed RegioJet with yellow color scheme). Names of these trains start with RJ. One more pro of this provider is that you will be seated for sure. You get a seat number by purchasing their ticket.
- Both options should take about 2.5 to 3 hours.

After you appear in Olomouc, you may hop on the public transport (tram) just in front of the main building in direction towards the city center. You will be interested in tram number 2, 3, 4 and 6. You will go 2 stops to station *Žižkovo náměstí* and the church where it all starts is 2min walking distance.

Flight to Vienna, AUT (VIE)

This is the most probable destination you can flight to from US and together with Prague the most preferable.

To get to Olomouc you would need to choose from three different options. All of them have their pros and cons.

A) First option is to take a Cab or public transport to Vienna Main Railway station. And then you can go by train (www.cd.cz/en) which go from Vienna usually with 1 or 2 transfers to Olomouc. Train trip should take about 2.5 to 3.5 hours. You may purchase the ticket online or inside at the ticket office.

B) Second option is to take bus (FLIXBUS). It gets directly from the airport with usually one transfer in Brno. Some say it is not really a reliable service but it is affordable, same as train I guess. You may purchase the ticket online (www.flixbus.com) or at the airport booth. This bus end at Olomouc Main Bus station, not train station.

C) Third option, probably the trickiest to take different bus service RegioJet (same company with trains from Prague). You would need to purchase ticket to Brno and then an extra ticket to Olomouc. It can be via bus (RegioJet) or you may transfer to near Railway station and go by train (www.cd.cz/en) to Olomouc. Tickets available online (www.regiojet.com). The bus ends at Olomouc Main Railway station.

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Flight to Munich, GER (MUC); Dresden, GER (DRS)

These two German airports are quite far to travel afterwards to Olomouc. If you still cannot get to Prague or Vienna and will fly through one of German airports than you will follow steps mentioned below

A) First option for both airports is to get from the airport to the railway station and purchase a ticket for train which will usually transfer in Prague. You may purchase the ticket online (www.cd.cz/en) or at the ticket office. Way to get from Prague by train is described above once you do not purchase the ticket for the whole way to Olomouc.

B) Second option is to use RegioJet bus to get from Munich/Dresden to Prague and then you may transfer to train in Prague. Tickets online (www.regiojet.com).

C) Third and least preferable is FLIXBUS which works the same as option B but you transfer for another FLIXBUS to get from Prague to Olomouc. Still may be not reliable provider. (www.flixbus.com)

Flight to Bratislava, SVK (BTS)

These airports together with Cracow are the least common to use on the way from US.

A) First option to get from the airport to the railway station and purchase a ticket for train which will usually include one transfer. You may purchase the ticket online (www.cd.cz/en) or at the ticket office.

B) Second option is to use RegioJet bus to get from Bratislava to Brno and then purchase an extra ticket for RegioJet Bus (www.regiojet.com) to Olomouc or train (www.cd.cz/en) to get to Olomouc.

C) Third and least preferable is FLIXBUS which works the same as option B but you transfer for another FLIXBUS to get from Bratislava to Olomouc including usually one transfer in Brno as well. Still may be not reliable provider. (www.flixbus.com)

Cracow, PLN (KRK)

These airports together with Bratislava are the least common to use on the way from US.

A) First option to get from the airport to the railway station and purchase a ticket for train which will usually include one transfer, usually in Ostrava, CZ. You may purchase the ticket online (www.cd.cz/en) or at the ticket office.

B) Second option is to use RegioJet bus to get from Cracow to Ostrava and then purchase an extra ticket for RegioJet Train (www.regiojet.com) to Olomouc or regular train (www.cd.cz/en) to get to Olomouc.

C) Third and least preferable is FLIXBUS which works the same as option B but you transfer for another FLIXBUS to get from Cracow to Olomouc including usually one transfer in Katowice, PLN. Still may be not reliable provider. (www.flixbus.com)