



ARLINGTON, VA 2026

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Hello from your ASP 2026 local hosts!

We are excited to welcome you to Arlington, VA for ASP 2026! As you begin booking your travel, please keep the following recommendations in mind:

Fly into DCA

The DMV (DC, Maryland, Virginia) area is served by three airports. We strongly recommend flying into **Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA)**. The conference hotel is conveniently located just one stop away on the Blue or Yellow Lines at the **Crystal City station**.

You can purchase a physical Metro pass at the airport station or add a digital SmarTrip card to your phone's wallet or use a tap enabled credit card for "tap to pay" access. The DC metro system is clean, efficient, and easy to navigate – more details to come about how to use the metro like a local!

Flight prices are often comparable, but you may find more direct options at Dulles (IAD) or Baltimore/Washington (BWI) depending on where you are flying in from. While these can sometimes be cheaper, please note they are significantly further away. An Uber or taxi from IAD or BWI can easily cost \$60–\$90, potentially offsetting any savings on your airfare.

Important: Metro Construction & Weekend Closures

WMATA has recently announced station upgrades that will affect metro travel during the conference:

- June 15–18 (Arrivals): Airport and Crystal City stations will operate normally.
- June 19–21 (Departures): Both the DCA Airport and Crystal City stations will be closed for construction.

Impact on your departure: If you are leaving on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday, you will be unable to take the Metro to the airport. However, the hotel operates a regular airport shuttle, and a taxi or rideshare to DCA takes less than 10 minutes. We are sorry for the closure inconvenience over the weekend but expect the supplemental options should still provide convenient low-cost transport back to the airport.

Sightseeing: If you plan to explore DC over the weekend, the Pentagon City Metro station (a 10-minute walk from the hotel) will remain open and provides direct access to the city.

Detailed construction info can be found [here](#).

<https://www.wmata.com/about/news/Crystal-City-construction-update-Shuttles-replace-trains-to-airport-and-nearby-stations-for-10-weekends.cfm>

We look forward to celebrating the Golden Anniversary of ASP's Incorporation with you this June!

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