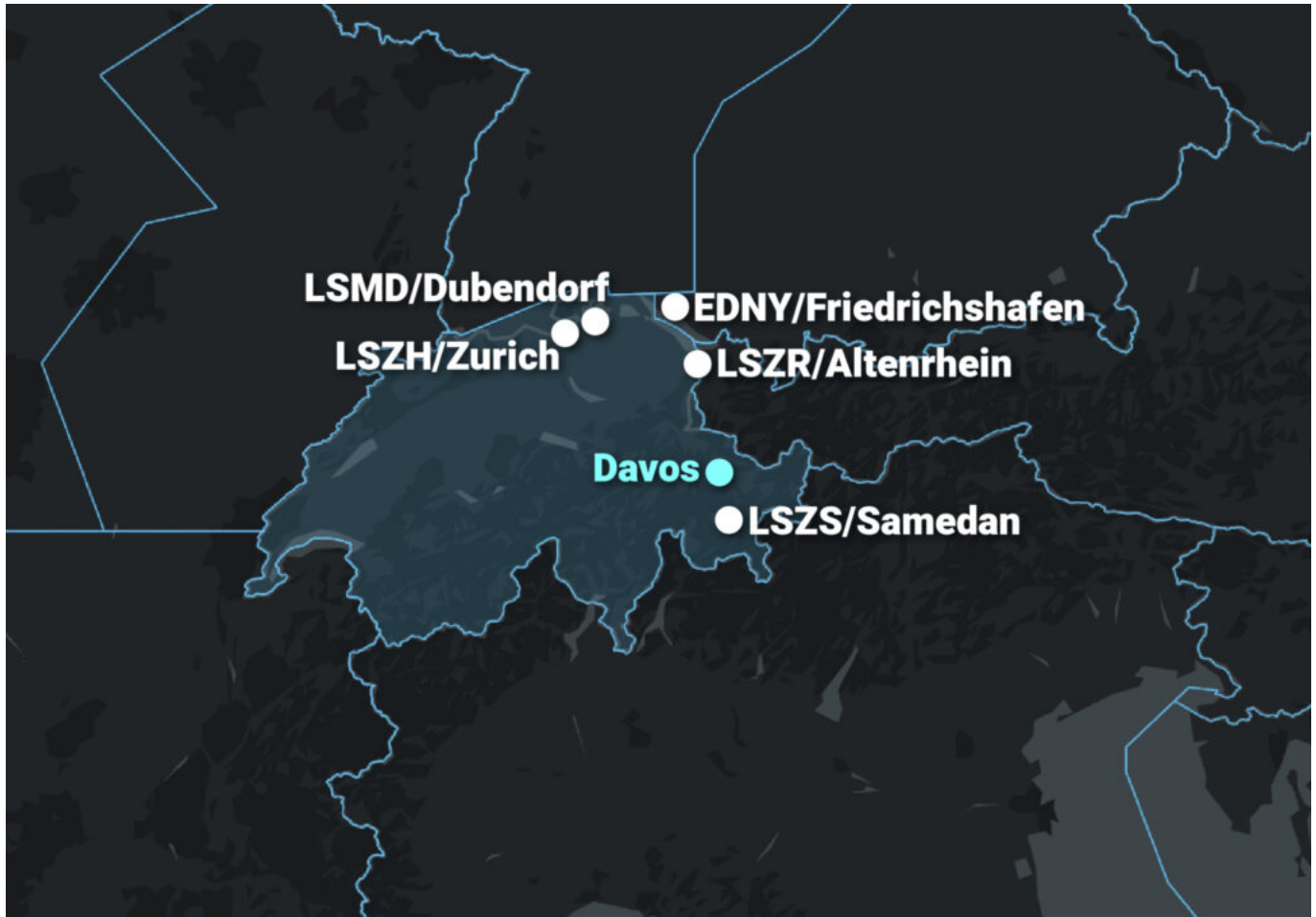


2024 Davos World Economic Forum: Airport Restrictions

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The World Economic Forum will take place in Davos from 15-19 Jan 2024. Parking at airports in the region will be limited - make sure you reserve your spot asap!



We contacted the local handlers at all the nearby airports to check what the lowdown is this year. Here's what they said...

LSZH/Zurich

- **Maximum 2 hour ground time** for GA/BA without parking permission (so drop-and-go's are fine, as long as they stay within that 2 hour window).
- Local handlers have reported that there is now **no more parking available at the airport** for the WEF period - it's all been taken already! Hangar parking might be available, but it'll be super expensive.
- You will **not be able to use LSZH as an alternate** from Jan 11-20.
- Airport operates from 0600-2200 local time daily, and overtime is not available - **make sure you land before closing time** or you'll get diverted to another airport.
- Customs clearance is available at the FBO for **up to 24 pax**. Any more than that and they will need to clear through the main pax terminal instead.
- Repositioning from **LSZH to LSMD will not be allowed**; aircraft would have to land and depart directly from LSMD.
- For handling, email Jet Aviation FBO at vip.zrh@jetaviation.ch, or CAT Air Service at info@cat-airservice.com

LSMD/Dubendorf

- Located in downtown Zurich. Normally a military airfield, but opens to civilian traffic each year for the Forum. **GA/BA flights can only operate here during this period if pax are heading to the WEF.**
- From Jan 13-20, they are open from 0700-1230 and 1400-2100 local time weekdays, and 0900-1230 and 1400-2000 on weekends. **No overtime available.**
- They still have **few parking slots available** - they're busy this year. The mornings of Jan 15, 18 and 19 are fully booked already.
- Slots not required, but **PPR is required.**
- Customs clearance is provided in the military terminal building.
- The airport publishes an **Air Crew Guide** for World Economic Forum every year, with everything you could possibly want to know. Download this year's version here.
- For handling, email the airport on: aircraft.handling@topmotion.ch

LSZR/Altenrhein

- Could be a good option - if you're small enough to cope with their **4774ft runway!**
- Opening hours: 0630-1200 and 1330-2100 local time Mon-Fri, 0730-1200 and 1330-2000 Sat, 1000-1200 and 1330-2000 Sun.
- The standard **fire cover is Cat 2**, but they can provide up to Cat 6 for an extra fee.
- **No slots or PPR** are required.
- **Parking is available**, hangar might be available on request (up to G650/GLEX etc).
- For handling, contact the FBO at groundservices@peoples.ch
- For more ops info check out this page.

LSZS/Samedan

- First things first, this is a **VFR airport** with some IFR traffic. Pilots heading here need to take this test first. If you haven't flown in here before, now might not be the best time to give it a try, because...
- For the WEF, the **airspace around Davos (which includes LSZS airport) will be restricted:** there are special procedures for arrivals and departures, and all flights need **PPR**. The airport has published this doc which includes everything you need to know.
- For handling, contact the airport at handling@engadin-airport.ch

EDNY/Friedrichshafen

- Open 0600-2200 local time weekdays, and 0900-2200 on weekends, with overtime available.
- **No slots PPR required** (although in previous years they introduced PPR for stays of more than 90 minutes, so that might happen again).
- Parking available, but expect to be repositioned for longer parking and servicing.

- For handling, email the local agent at fdhops@aviation-services.net

Permits

Landing permits are not required for private GA/BA flights to Switzerland or Germany. You'll only need a landing permit if you're operating a charter flight on an aircraft not registered in the EU.

For Switzerland charter flight permits, read this guidance and email the authorities direct at trafficrights@bazl.admin.ch. And for Germany, read this guidance and email einflug@lba.de.

More info

There's a good guide published here which has a bunch more info on things like fuel, catering and hotel considerations. Happy WEFing!