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			Db2 for z/OS Room A - "Rheinlandsaal C"	Db2 for z/OS Room B - "Sokrates"	Db2 for LUW Room C - "Leibniz 1-3" (one floor up)	Db2 for LUW Room D - "Aristoteles 2"	Themes I Room E - "Aristoteles 1"	Themes II Room F - "Aristoteles 3"
Sunday, 26. October 2025								
Workshops	9:00	13:00	A201(SESS-75) - Db2 for z/OS Performance Monitoring and Tuning Samantha Buhler - {Broadcom}{Broadcom}{}{z/OS}	B201(SESS-191) - Performing AI queries with Db2 13 for z/OS using SQL Data Insights Jae Lee - {IBM}{IBM}{}{z/OS}	C201(SESS-78) - Hands-On: Building AI Systems with IBM Db2 Shaikh Quader - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}	D201(SESS-242) - Db2&You – Getting to - and using - Db2 13 for z/OS Tom Crocker - {Rocket Software}{Rocket Software}{}{z/OS}	E201(SESS-277) - Db2 12.1.3 Intelligence Center with AI Assistant Hands-on Lab Sheshnarayan Agrawal - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}	
Lunch	13:00	14:00						
Hands-on Labs	14:00	18:00	A202(SESS-270) - Unlock Modernization: Installing Zowe API ML and Elevating the Db2 for z/OS Experience Andrew Badgley - {Broadcom}{Broadcom}{}{z/OS}	B202(SESS-280) - Simplifying Workload Migration with IBM Db2 Bridge Vijaya Katikireddy - {IBM}{}{}{LUW}	C202(SESS-154) - The Db2 First Responder Workshop Thomas Rech - {IBM Germany Research & Development GmbH }{IBM}{}{LUW}	D201(SESS-242) - Db2&You – Getting to - and using - Db2 13 for z/OS Tom Crocker - {Rocket Software}{Rocket Software}{}{z/OS}	E202(SESS-190) - Infusing Db2 for z/OS with AI: A Hands-on lab with IBM Db2 AI Jae Lee - {IBM}{IBM}{}{z/OS}	
Monday, 27. October 2025								
Opening & Keynote	8:45	10:00	Db2 Meets AI Agents: Your Database's New Digital Workforce - Haakon Roberts, Director, Db2 for z/OS & Tools, Distinguished Engineer, and CTO, IBM z Data & AI Martin Oberhofer, IBM Vice President and Distinguished Engineer, Data Core Products					
Coffee Break	10:00	10:20	Coffee Break					
Session 1	10:20	11:20	A1(SESS-162) - Db2 for z/OS: Trends and Directions Haakon Roberts - {IBM}{IBM}{}{z/OS}		C1(SESS-84) - Db2 Latest from the Lab Mike Springgay - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}			
Break	11:20	11:30	Break					
Session 2	11:30	12:30	A2(SESS-89) - Db2 13 for z/OS Experience with new features for Availability, Resilience and Performance John Campbell - {Triton Consulting}{User/Consultant}{}{z/OS}	B2(SESS-30) - RUNSTATS Master - reloaded Roy Boxwell - {Software Engineering GmbH}{Vendor}{}{z/OS}	C2(SESS-133) - Latest from the Lab on Db2 Warehousing + Lakehouse David Kalmuk - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}	D2(SESS-22) - Turn red into blue Olaf Stephan - {BaFin}{User/Consultant}{}{LUW}	E2(SESS-205) - Performing Db2 HADR Upgrades Made Even More Easy Michael Roecken - {IBM Canada Ltd.}{IBM}{}{LUW}	F2(SESS-65) - Strategies for Making Db2 Data Accessible with APIs Chris Crone - {Broadcom}{Broadcom}{}{z/OS}
Lunch	12:30	14:00	Lunch Break					
Session 3	14:00	15:00	A3(SESS-217) - Db2 13 for z/OS - Five Key Features to Drive Performance and Innovation Preetham Kannan - {Rocket Software}{Rocket Software}{}{z/OS}	B3(SESS-203) - Key Performance Updates, zSynergy and Best Practices for Db2 for z/OS Akiko Hoshikawa - {IBM}{IBM}{}{z/OS}	C3(SESS-247) - The evolution of the AI Query Tuner agent behind DBAssist Calisto Zuzarte - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}	D3(SESS-69) - Review key enhancements for Db2U in modernizing Db2 containerization footprint. Vijaya Katikireddy - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}	E3(SESS-8) - DB2 Universal Translator between z/OS and LUW Dale McInnis - {IBM}{IBM}{}{Cross Platform}	F3(SESS-231) - Db2 12.1: Ready for Workloads and Deployments of the Future Les King - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}
Coffee Break	15:00	15:20	Coffee Break					
Session 4	15:20	16:20	A4(SESS-127) - The Latest Db2 13 Online schema evolution and application performance enhancements Frances Villafuerte - {IBM}{IBM}{}{z/OS}	B4(SESS-63) - Taming Page Splits: Reduced Stress for DBAs in Db2 13 Saurabh Pandey - {BMC Software}{BMC}{}{z/OS}	C4(SESS-278) - Db2 12.1.3 - Latest News David Kalmuk - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}	D4(SESS-137) - Becoming an Expert DBA: Best use of Db2 Features, Improvements & Tips Nemi Agrawal - {Data Storm Inc}{User/Consultant}{}{LUW}	E4(SESS-21) - Fear no Threads: Secure and Monitor Db2 Connections with Profile Tables Toine Michiels - {Broadcom}{Broadcom}{}{z/OS}	F4(SESS-240) - Db2 z/OS in a Hybrid Cloud - A Survey of Architecture Options across AWS, Azure, Google and IBM Cloud Daniel Martin - {IBM}{IBM}{}{z/OS}
Break	16:20	16:30	Break					
Session 5	16:30	17:30	A5(SESS-25) - Db2 Analytics Accelerator: product updates, new version V8, and experiences from the customers and health checks Cuneyt Goksu - {IBM }{IBM}{}{z/OS}	B5(SESS-239) - Build a lightweight monitor to identify SQL workload tuning potential Kai Stroh - {UBS Hainer GmbH}{User/Consultant}{}{z/OS}	C5(SESS-210) - Db2 Availability & Recovery: 12.1 Highlights of What's New Michael Roecken - {IBM Canada Ltd.}{IBM}{}{LUW}	D5(SESS-145) - Range Partitioning - Overview, Use cases, Tips and Tricks Carola Langwald - {IBM Deutschland R&D GmbH}{IBM}{}{LUW}	E5(SESS-105) - User Experiences with Pacemaker Damir Wilder - {Triton Consulting Ltd.}{User/Consultant}{}{LUW}	F5(SESS-17) - SQL Joins - In Depth Tony Andrews - {P+T Solutions, Inc.}{User/Consultant}{}{Cross Platform}
Expo	17:30	19:00	Solution Center Opening					
Tuesday, 28. October 2025								
Keynote	9:00	10:00	Mainframe and Mainframers: Evolving Today. Shaping Tomorrow - Greg Lotko, SVP & GM, MSD , Namik Hrle, Retired IBM Fellow and VP, Development, IBM Software, Chris Muncan, Manager, Mainframe Database Modernization, Sun Life					
Coffee Break	10:00	10:20	Coffee Break					
Session 6	10:20	11:20	A6(SESS-40) - Optimizing SQL Pagination in Db2 for z/OS for Performance Gains Emil Kotrc - {Broadcom}{Broadcom}{}{z/OS}	B6(SESS-82) - Db2 under siege: real-world exploits and defence strategies David Lea - {BMC Software Ltd}{BMC}{}{z/OS}	C6(SESS-113) - SQL in Action - Mastering & Measuring Data Removal Michael Tiefenbacher - {mip GmbH}{User/Consultant}{}{LUW}	D6(SESS-107) - Db2 Automatic Statistics Deep Dive Calisto Zuzarte - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}	E6(SESS-116) - Automating and operationalizing data-driven AI with Db2 SQL Data Insights - new APIs for full control Steffen Exner - {Finanz Informatik GmbH & Co. KG}{User/Consultant}{}{z/OS}	F6(SESS-18) - A day in the life of an MFA-enabled Db2 for z/OS DBA Jørn Thyssen - {Rocket Software}{Rocket Software}{}{z/OS}
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Session 7	11:30	12:30	A7(SESS-136) - Db2 13 latest real customer experiences - new functions, best practices and some more... Ute Kleyensteuber - {Commerzbank AG}{User/Consultant}{}{z/OS}	B7(SESS-74) - Mastering Access Path Management in Db2 for z/OS: Simplify, Optimize, Succeed Denis Tronin - {Broadcom}{Broadcom}{}{z/OS}	C7(SESS-249) - Tuning Queries for Performance Using Examples Calisto Zuzarte - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}	D7(SESS-189) - Db2 – the database of choice for High Availability in a Hybrid/Multi-Cloud Environment Damir Wilder - {Triton Consulting Ltd.}{User/Consultant}{}{LUW}	E7(SESS-60) - Transforming your Db2 image Copies to Data Pipelines for Generative AI Mikhael Liberman - {BMC}{BMC}{}{z/OS}	F7(SESS-228) - Coming back to DSNZPARM roots Manuel Gómez Burriel - {SpDUG}{User/Consultant}{}{z/OS}
Expo Lunch	12:30	14:00	Lunch Break					
Session 8	14:00	15:00	A8(SESS-91) - Dynamic SQL Monitoring: Best Practices Michal Bialecki - {Broadcom}{Broadcom}{}{z/OS}	B8(SESS-12) - "Run-It-Back" - Db2 for z/OS Development all new "2025 SWAT Tales" Anthony Ciabattoni - {IBM}{IBM}{}{z/OS}	C8(SESS-246) - Modern Observability for Db2: Prometheus, Grafana & OpenTelemetry in Action Markus Fraune - {ITGAIN Consulting Gesellschaft für IT Beratung mbH}{Vendor}{}{LUW}	D8(SESS-43) - Exploring GenAI, RAG, and Semantic Search with Db2 12.1's Vector Store Marcin Marczewski - {IBM Poland}{IBM}{}{LUW}	E8(SESS-95) - Deep Dive into SQL Data Insights Thomas Baumann - {Swiss Mobiliar}{User/Consultant}{}{z/OS}	F8(SESS-94) - Tales of a DBA with UDFs and Store Procedures Soledad Martinez - {Volkswagen Group Services}{User/Consultant}{}{z/OS}
Coffee Break	15:00	15:20	Coffee Break					
PSP	15:20	16:20	IBM Db2 Strategy, Roadmap and Journey to Fully Autonomous Database - Miran Badzak (IBM)	Amplify Db2 Developers Experience and Boost Efficiency with Broadcom's New VS Code Extension - Denis Tronin and Jim Endler (Broadcom)	Turning Db2 Operations into Strategic Intelligence with Runtime Insights - Ron Coleman (BMC)	Managing Packages in large z/OS Db2 environments - Colin Oakhill (Infotel)	AI optimizer for Z - Daniel Martin (IBM)	Audit and SIEM for Db2 z/OS with a Zowe front-end! Roy Boxwell (Software Engineering)
Break	16:20	16:30	Break					
Session 9	16:30	17:30	A9(SESS-123) - Db2 System and Application monitoring and alert system approach Hakan Kahraman - {Garanti BBVA}{User/Consultant}{}{z/OS}	B9(SESS-222) - Protecting your Db2 for z/OS environment from cyber attacks Patric Becker - {Rocket Software}{Rocket Software}{}{z/OS}	C9(SESS-57) - Db2 Performance and Tuning Philip Gunning - {Gunning Technology Solutions, LLC}{User/Consultant}{}{LUW}	D9(SESS-206) - Monitoring the new multi-tier storage architecture when using Native Cloud Object Storage Robert Hooper - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}	E9(SESS-204) - Unlocking the Power of AI with Db2 for z/OS Akiko Hoshikawa - {IBM}{IBM}{}{z/OS}	F9(SESS-100) - Modernize Db2 for z/OS Development with VS Code Scott Davidson - {Broadcom}{Broadcom}{}{AppDev}
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Wednesday, 29. October 2025								
Keynote	9:00	10:00	Women in technology (WIT): Db2's New Faces: Fresh Talent, Future Perspectives					
Coffee Break	10:00	10:20	Coffee Break					
Session 10	10:20	11:20	A10(SESS-73) - Supercharge Db2 Utilities: Uncover More Features Denis Tronin - {Broadcom}{Broadcom}{}{z/OS}	B10(SESS-267) - Db2 for z/OS Tablespace Update David Simpson - {Huntington Bank}{User/Consultant}{}{z/OS}	C10(SESS-146) - Evolution of Db2 into Cloud environments at Allianz.AT! Heinz Wiesmüller - {Allianz Technology AT}{User/Consultant}{}{LUW}	D10(SESS-111) - Working with EXPLAIN - Alternatives to Command line and Visual Explain Joachim Klassen - {LIS.TEC GmbH}{User/Consultant}{}{LUW}	E10(SESS-121) - A Deep dive into Db2 Connect Best Practices Shilu Mathai - {Rocket Software}{Rocket Software}{}{Cross Platform}	F10(SESS-26) - How to access Db2 for z/OS and other Z data in the cloud Cuneyt Goksu - {IBM}{IBM}{}{Cross Platform}
Break	11:20	11:30	Break					
Session 11	11:30	12:30	A11(SESS-3) - BMC Db2 AMI Utilities To The Rescue - What's New !! Michael Cotignola - {BMC Software}{BMC}{}{z/OS}	B11(SESS-59) - Personal Experience: 40 Years of Battle Scars from Managing Db2 for z/OS Steen Rasmussen - {Broadcom}{Broadcom}{}{z/OS}	C11(SESS-5) - DB2 Always on architecture Dale McInnis - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}	D11(SESS-266) - Using GenAI to quickly build Db2 live monitoring Martin Heitkämper - {Arvato Systems GmbH}{User/Consultant}{}{LUW}	E11(SESS-241) - The Db2 for z/OS Agent - Lets have a Chat with the Catalog! Daniel Martin - {IBM}{IBM}{}{AI / ML}	F11(SESS-108) - Desperate Measures - How to Relieve the Db2 Optimizer of its Duties Calisto Zuzarte - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}
Expo Lunch	12:30	14:00	Lunch Break					
Session 12	14:00	15:00	A12(SESS-163) - Db2 for z/OS Utilities – Unveiling recent updates and current developments Haakon Roberts - {IBM}{IBM}{}{z/OS}	B12(SESS-238) - in memory table : what did you expect ? Laurent Kuperberg - {SQLK}{User/Consultant}{}{z/OS}	C12(SESS-110) - Db2 and S3 Object Storage : Why? What? How? Philip Nelson - {Lloyds Banking Group / ScotDB Limited}{User/Consultant}{}{LUW}	D12(SESS-85) - V12 Db2 SQL Extensions: Tenant, Vectors, Lakehouse and more Mike Springgay - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}	E12(SESS-62) - Mastering SQL Performance on IBM Z: Analyzing and Optimizing Queries for Maximum Throughput Saurabh Pandey - {BMC Software}{BMC}{}{z/OS}	F12(SESS-66) - Enhance Db2 Performance with Mult-Row Processing Techniques Chris Crone - {Broadcom}{Broadcom}{}{z/OS}
Coffee Break	15:00	15:20	Coffee Break					
PSP	15:20	16:20		Db2 Unplugged: CenterStageTM Brings Rock & Roll Revolution to Database Management - Samantha Buhler and Chile Hidalgo (Broadcom)	AI for Db2 & Db2 for z/OS - Cuneyt Goksu & Sheshnarayan Agrawal (IBM)		DBAs - The Unsung Heroes of DevOps - Bridging the Gap Between Database and Application Teams - Anthony Anter (BMC)	
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Session 13	16:30	17:30	A13(EXPZ) - Expert Panel z/os - {}{}{z/OS}	B13(SESS-23) - Db2 Basics: An introduction to External Tables including remote storage 📁 Henrik Loeser - {IBM Germany}{IBM}{}{LUW}	C13(SESS-151) - Db2 intensive care - The art of solving Db2 problems Thomas Rech - {IBM Germany Research & Development GmbH }{IBM}{}{LUW}	D13(SESS-77) - Db2 for LLM Applications: New Capabilities, Frameworks, and Real-world Use Cases Shaikh Quader - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}	E13(SESS-233) - Here's Looking at YOU, Db2! Ken Shaffer - {Aerodata Inc. }{User/Consultant}{}{LUW}	F13(SESS-254) - Unusual indexes and their usage in Db2 Andreas Weininger - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}
Break	17:30	17:40	Break					
Session 14	17:40	18:40	A14(SESS-153) - Tools maintainance our way Martin Ålund - {Handelsbanken}{User/Consultant}{}{z/OS}	B14(SESS-279) - Fun with SQL (IDUG content Committee) Julia Carter - {Broadcom}{}{}	C14(EXPL) - Expert Panel LUW - {}{}{LUW}	D14(SESS-197) - Db2 for z/OS Security Basics Gayathiri Chandran - {IBM}{IBM}{}{z/OS}	E14(SESS-130) - The ins and outs of High Performance DBATs Bart Steegmans - {IBM}{IBM}{}{z/OS}	F14(SESS-188) - Create Stored Procedure to 'Reorg Table' including table function for Select Reorg() and REST-Services Veit Blaeser - {BarmeniaGothaer}{User/Consultant}{}{z/OS}
Thursday, 30. October 2025								
Session 15	9:00	10:00	A15(SESS-184) - Billions of XMLs! How Do You Manage That? Philip Nelson - {Lloyds Banking Group / ScotDB Limited}{User/Consultant}{}{z/OS}	B15(SESS-170) - Who's in Your DB2? Auditing z/OS Like a Mainframe Maestro Jørn Thyssen - {Rocket Software}{Rocket Software}{}{z/OS}	C15(SESS-225) - A Db2 governance solution with a modern twist Petri Helin - {Nordea Bank}{User/Consultant}{}{LUW}	D15(SESS-7) - Taking Db2 pureScale to the next level, deploying on z/Linux or LinuxONE Dale McInnis - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}	E15(SESS-80) - Achieving Resilience with DORA and Db2 Tools: Enhancing Operational Continuity and Compliance Jose Arias - {Broadcom}{Broadcom}{}{z/OS}	F15(SESS-182) - Modernizing Db2 for z/OS System Management with Ansible Marcus Davage - {BMC Software}{BMC}{}{z/OS}
Coffee Break	10:00	10:20	Coffee Break					
Session 16	10:20	11:20	A16(SESS-38) - All about the Db2 Log: Updates, Commits, and Best Practices for Data Integrity Emil Kotrc - {Broadcom}{Broadcom}{}{z/OS}	B16(SESS-140) - ISBANK'S Journey to implement CDC IIDR Remote Capture with a Resilient Architecture ONDER CAGATAY - {İSBANK A.Ş}{User/Consultant}{}{z/OS}	C16(SESS-255) - Db2 V12.1.x: New Security Features and Changes Nataliya Prokoshyna - {IBM Canada}{IBM}{}{LUW}	D16(SESS-251) - BACKUP/RESTORE performance insights. Aleksandr Veremev - {VereData}{User/Consultant}{}{LUW}	E16(SESS-211) - Native cloud object storage in Db2 Warehouse: AWS or Azure ? Robert Hooper - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}	F16(SESS-214) - Pedal to The Metal - this is not your Daddy's Accelerator! Adrian Collett - {Expertise4IT s.r.l.}{User/Consultant}{}{z/OS}
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Session 17	11:30	12:30	A17(SESS-1) - Claims, Drains and Automobiles Marcus Davage - {BMC Software Ltd}{BMC}{}{z/OS}	B17(SESS-215) - Automating Excellence: Real-world z/OSMF Workflows for Efficient Provisioning and Maintenance (a Db2 Use Case) Josiane Rodrigues da Silva Ramalho - {Broadcom Software}{Broadcom}{}{z/OS}	C17(SESS-268) - This isn't just another restore tutorial. It's a live-fire tale of encrypted Db2 databases, AWS mounts, and GSK gremlins — all tamed in OpenShift's wild, wild west. Bobby Proffitt - {DBA/I TopGun}{User/Consultant}{}{LUW}	D17(SESS-132) - Advanced Performance Diagnostics for SQL David Kalmuk - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}	E17(SESS-46) - Adopting Agile Development Practices with Db2 for z/OS - Customer Perspective Sueli Almeida - {IBM Silicon Valley Lab}{IBM}{}{z/OS}	F17(SESS-235) - REST API: A New Way to Access Db2 Andreas Weininger - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}
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Keynote & Closing	12:40	13:45	Fundamentals and Potential of Quantum Computers, Les King					
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Workshops	14:30	18:30	A203(SESS-47) - Next Generation Services for Db2 for z/OS Administration and Development - Workshop Madhavi Amirneni - {IBM Silicon Valley Lab}{IBM}{}{z/OS}	B203(SESS-86) - Amazon RDS for Db2 Workshop Andrew Hilden - {IBM}{IBM}{}{LUW}	C203(SESS-45) - Hands-on with Db2's Vector Store and Similarity Search Marcin Marczewski - {IBM Poland}{IBM}{}{LUW}	D203(SESS-101) - MaaS - Db2 Monitoring as a Service in AWS, Azure, GC and IBM Cloud Nisha Choudhary - {IBM Germany}{IBM}{}{LUW}		