HistoCrypt 2024

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HistoCrypt 2024 is going to be bigger and more exciting than ever before! That means there are a lot of options and the arrangements are more complicated than in previous years. Please read this carefully so as to ensure you get the right tickets and get the best out of HistoCrypt.

Some details may be subject to change as we get closer to the conference. Be sure to check back on the HistoCrypt website for updates!

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for new items!

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- GCHQ
- South Central Institute of Technology
- Universität der Bundeswehr München

Events at HistoCrypt 2024

The conference itself will take place at Kellogg College, Oxford, UK.

- 1. Getting to Oxford. See the separate page on Travel.
- 2. Accommodation at Oxford. See the separate page on Accommodation.
- 3. The conference programme. A separate page on the Programme will be available once the successful authors have been notified. Sandwich lunches and coffee breaks will be provided. Breakfast is *not* included.
- 4. Associated events! There's more going on in Oxford than just the academic programme:
 - Welcome drinks
 - An exhibition of crypto machines
 - Informal dinner on Tuesday 25 June (price not included)
 - The conference dinner at St Peter's College on Wednesday 26 June
 - Book sale
 - Polish crypto panel

All these activities except the Tuesday informal dinner are included in the price of your conference ticket. To participate in this, please say so when you buy your tickets. A deposit will be payable. See also point 17 below, if the conference dinner is not for you!

The conference will be followed by a Heritage Day at Bletchley Park, Milton Keynes, UK.

- 5. Getting to Bletchley. A coach will take you to Bletchley on Thursday 27 June.
- 6. The Bletchley programme. All the following activities will be available:
 - Demos of the Bombe and Colossus machines at The National Museum of Computing (TNMOC) (see point 11 below)
 - Guided tours of Bletchley Park (see point 12 below)
 - Self-guided exploration of TNMOC and the Bletchley Park site
 - The Bletchley Park Lecture by Robert Hannigan CMG, former Director of GCHQ
 - VIP reception in the Bletchley Park mansion

All these activities *except the Guided Tours* (see point 12) are included in the price of your conference ticket.

- 7. Lunch is available at TNMOC at 1230 hours at an extra cost of £20. If you/your partner would like to participate in this, you will need to **add TNMOC lunch tickets to your basket**. If you're going on the early Bletchley Park tour (see point 12) or you just want to go over to Bletchley Park earlier, you will be able to buy lunch at one of the Bletchley Park cafeterias (price not included in your ticket). You can choose when to go (2 minutes' walk!) from TNMOC to Bletchley Park.
- 8. Finishing time. It's your choice what time things finish on Thursday 27 June! You can stay for the VIP Reception, which will finish at 2030 hours. You might then want to stay an extra night in Milton Keynes to see more of Bletchley Park (or go on to London for sightseeing and shopping) on Friday 28 June (see also point 10). Or you could go back to Oxford (see point 9) on the HistoCrypt coach. Or you if you've got a flight to catch or need to leave early, you could make your own arrangements for onward travel and leave Bletchley at any time you like. Have a look at the timetable (next page) and see what you'd like to do.
- 9. Getting back from Bletchley. There are two HistoCrypt coaches (with limited space) back to Oxford on Thursday 27 June, or you can make your own plans, or you can stay over in Milton Keynes.
 - One HistoCrypt coach departs at 1700 hours. It's free, but if it's full, you will have to make other arrangements. And if you take this coach, you'll miss the Bletchley Park Lecture and VIP Reception.
 - The second coach departs at 2030 hours. **Travel on this coach costs extra, and you will need a late coach ticket**. If all the tickets have been sold, or you stay over, you'll need to make your own travel plans.

If you want to go back to Oxford at a different time from the HistoCrypt coaches, and for all other travel from Bletchley/Milton Keynes, see the separate page on Travel.

- 10. Accommodation. If you want to stay over in the Bletchley area, to explore Bletchley Park in more detail on the next day, or to travel back to London rather than Oxford, see the separate page on Accommodation. An informal dinner (price not included) will be available for those staying over.
 You might want to ask for a late check-in at your hotel if you're joining the dinner.
- 11. Demonstrations of Bombe and Colossus. Space is limited, so there will be specific timeslots for these. You will also be able to choose between short demos and longer, indepth demos including Q&A with the expert TNMOC volunteers. We'll work out who wants to do what at the time of the conference.
- 12. Guided tours. We are offering expert-guided tours of Bletchley Park, one at 1300 hours and one at 1430 hours. These are for a maximum of 30 people each, and cost extra. **If**

- you want to go on a guided tour, you will need a guided tour ticket for your chosen time. If you're interested in a more detailed demo of the Bombe and/or Colossus, you might want to pick the later tour to give you enough time at TNMOC.
- 13. Institute of Technology. There is also an option to visit the South Central Institute of Technology, a short walk from Bletchley Park. More detail about this, which may appeal to educators interested in digital skills, is available on request.

Timetable outline

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Monday 24 June	Thursday 27 June
1800 Kellogg College: Welcome drinks	0900 Coach to Bletchley
Tuesday 25 June	1030 TNMOC: demos of Bombe and
0900 Kellogg College: Conference	Colossus
1900 Informal dinner	1230 Sandwich lunch at TNMOC
Wednesday 26 June	1300 Bletchley Park Guided Tour
0900 Kellogg College: Conference	1430 Bletchley Park Guided Tour
Exhibition of crypto machines	1700 Coach to Oxford
Polish Crypto panel	1730 Bletchley Park Lecture
1930 St Peter's College: Conference dinner	1830 VIP Reception
	2030 Coach to Oxford

Things may change: this is a provisional timetable only. Keep an eye on the website for the final programme and the full timetable.

Please note! Some of the 'extras' may have to be cancelled if there is low take-up. If this happens, we'll let you know, and you'll get a refund on that ticket.

Tickets!

- 14. Space is limited! You'll need to decide what tickets you need quickly before they run out.
- 15. If you are the **corresponding (or sole) author** of an accepted paper, special tickets are available for you. These are cheaper, and not available for general sale, to ensure that one author of each accepted paper can come to the conference. If your paper is accepted, you will be given a 'promo code' which enables you to claim an author ticket. Please claim **only one author ticket per paper**. If you think you should have a code but did not receive it, please check with your co-authors before asking the Local Arrangements Committee (email to lac24@histocrypt.org).
- 16. A small number of full-price tickets has also been reserved for co-authors of accepted papers, to ensure that you too can come to the conference. These are reserved until 1 May only, after which any remaining co-author tickets will be released for general sale. To access one of these tickets, please ask the Local Arrangements Committee for the relevant 'promo code' by emailing lac24@histocrypt.org.
- 17. A small number of cheaper **conference-no-dinner** tickets is available. If you don't want to come to the conference dinner on Wednesday 26 June, this is the option for you.
- 18. This year, we've introduced a '**Plus-One**' option. 'Plus-One' tickets are available for a limited time for partners who wish to come to the conference dinner and the Heritage Day at Bletchley, but not to the conference itself. Included in the Plus-One ticket is:
 - A place at the conference dinner at St Peter's College on Wednesday 26 June
 - Travel to Bletchley on Thursday 27 June (and, if there's space, travel back to Oxford on the 1700 hours coach)

All the activities at Bletchley available to holders of conference tickets except
the Bletchley Park Lecture and VIP Reception. If your partner wants to go to
this, make sure you add the extra ticket to your basket.

If you're buying a Plus-One ticket for your partner, and you both want to go on a Guided Tour, or return to Oxford on the 2030 hours coach, you'll need to add extra tickets for them (as well as your own) to your basket.

Ticket prices

Conference tickets per person	Extras per person
Regular conference ticket £160.00	Late coach back to Oxford £20.00
Author conference ticket £140.00	Lunch at TNMOC £20.00
Co-author conference ticket £160.00	1 pm Guided tour of Bletchley Park £10.00
Conference-no-dinner ticket £105.00	2.30 pm Guided tour of Bletchley Park £10.00
Plus-One ticket £120.00	Bletchley Park Lecture and VIP Reception (for Plus-
	One ticketholders – Conference ticketholders don't
	need to buy this) £17.50

How to get your tickets!

Tickets are being sold via Eventbrite. Here's the link: https://HistoCrypt2024.eventbrite.com .

- 19. Tickets are on sale from 18 March when authors are notified about the acceptance of their papers.
- 20. Authors using the 'promo code' for their special author or co-author ticket should choose a conference ticket. When you enter the promo code it will apply the discount and release a reserved ticket.
- 21. If you have special dietary needs (eg allergies) please say so on the order form.
- 22. If you're bringing a partner as a Plus-One, please give their name and dietary needs on the order form (you'll need to get their consent to do this).
- 23. If you/your Plus-One partner might want to come to the informal dinner on Tuesday 25 June please say so on the order form. \cong A deposit of £12 (£10 towards the meal, plus admin fee of £2) will be needed to secure your place. You'll be contacted about this separately if you check the relevant box on the order form.
- 24. If you think you might stay over in Bletchley/Milton Keynes on Thursday 27 June please say so on the order form.

FAQ and boring stuff

We want HistoCrypt 2024 to be a success! Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have special access needs or we need to make special arrangements. But please also bear with us, because we are constrained by limited space in conference halls, dining halls, coaches, and so on, and the budget is tight. It may be difficult for us to be as flexible as you would like, so please don't be offended if it's not possible to do what you request.

We won't be able to offer refunds on purchased tickets after 17 June. We are also unable to accept liability for any damage or loss, except where unexcludable by law: what happens at Oxford and Bletchley is at your own risk. Make sure your insurance cover is good enough for all eventualities!

Contact the LAC: you can email us at lac24@histocrypt.org

