

Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals



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18th MEETING OF THE SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL

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FACT SHEET FOR DELEGATES

I. Getting to Bonn

Bonn is located approximately twenty minutes journey time south of Cologne (Köln) and two hours north-west of Frankfurt/Main and can be reached from three airports, Cologne/Bonn Airport, Frankfurt International Airport and Düsseldorf Airport.

Delegates arriving at Cologne/Bonn Airport can reach Bonn city centre by taxi (the fare from the airport to the city centre is approximately €45.00), or by bus (SB 60), departing from the bus stop at Terminal 1 to the city centre (final stop "Hauptbahnhof", main railway station) costing about €7.20.

Delegates arriving at Frankfurt International Airport may wish to take the train to Siegburg/Bonn. There is high-speed train service (ICE) between the airport and Siegburg/Bonn. Travel time is approximately 40 minutes and a ticket costs around €58.00 (2nd class). Departure is from the long-distance train station (Fernbahnhof) in the airport complex. The direction is Cologne. The station stop for Bonn is the town of Siegburg (Please get off at: Siegburg/Bonn). Taxis are available for approximately €30.00 from Siegburg to Bonn. You can also catch the tram 66 from Siegburg to Bonn (ticket price €4.60, please press 3 on the ticket machine). The tram journey takes 25 minutes.

A normal train service between Frankfurt International Airport and Bonn is also available (from the long-distance train station (Fernbahnhof) in the airport). Travel time is approximately 1 hour 45 minutes and a ticket costs about €39.00 (2nd class). This trip along the Rhine River is one of the most scenic train trips in Germany and brings you directly into the city centre of Bonn.

From Düsseldorf Airport to Bonn there are direct trains, which run hourly and have a travel time of about 66 minutes and a ticket costs round about €16.00 (2nd class).

II. Meeting Venue

The meeting will take place at the Altes Abgeordnetenhochhaus (AAH), which is part of the UN Campus <u>"see location map"</u>.

Address:

United Nations Campus Altes Abgeordnetenhochhaus (AAH) Room EG01

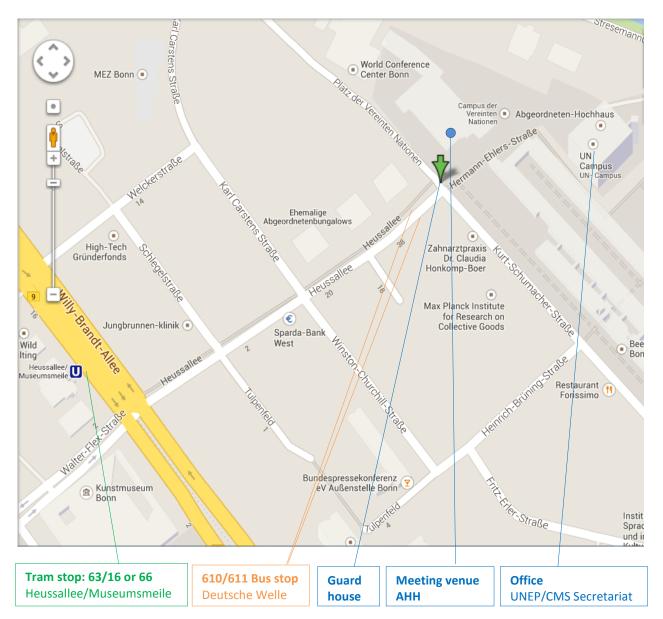
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How to get to the UN Campus and meeting venue:



>By tram (U-bahn):

From the main railway station (Hauptbahnhof) in the city centre: take tram 63 or 16 (direction→ Bad Godesberg) or tram 66 (direction→ Bad Honnef, Königswinter or Ramersdorf) to the stop "Heussallee/Museumsmeile" <u>Link to timetable tram 66</u>.

From Bad Godesberg station (Bahnhof): take tram 63/16 (direction \rightarrow Hauptbahnhof) to the stop "Heussallee/Museumsmeile" <u>Link to timetable</u> 63 and 16.

Upon arrival at the stop Heussallee/Museumsmeile, exit the station by following the sign "UN Campus" and continue walking straight ahead for about 5 minutes when you should reach the Guard House of the UN Compus.

▶By bus:

From Bonn city centre (Hauptbahnhof) or Bad Godesberg city centre, take Bus 610 or 611 to the stop "Deutsche Welle". <u>Link to timetable bus 610</u>, <u>Link to timetable bus 611</u>. The Guard House of the UN Campus is less than 100 meters away from the bus stop.

Tram or bus tickets can be obtained from ticket machines in the stations or in the bus or tram itself. If you are travelling in and around Bonn, press the 1b button, one-way ticket (1 trip) costs €2.60 and a multiple ticket (4 trips) costs €9.40.

≻By taxi:

The fare for a taxi ride to the Langer Eugen from Bonn city centre (Hauptbahnhof-Main station) is around €10.00 and from Bad Godesberg city center about €15.00. The central phone number for Bonn taxis is +49 (0)228 555 555.

III. Registration

Registration will start at 0800hrs on Tuesday 1 July 2014.

IV. Hotel accommodation

1. Hotel information for funded delegates:

The Secretariat has already blocked hotel space for funded delegates. Delegates will be informed about hotel arrangements in conjunction with the transmission of the proposals for the travel itinerary.

2. Hotel information for non-funded delegates:

Non-funded delegates will be responsible for their own bookings. The Secretariat has blocked a few rooms in hotels well connected to the venue (please see below). Please guarantee all your bookings with your personal credit card at the time of your booking.

Here are the hotel addresses and their websites, which may give some more information:

Hotel Eden am Hofgarten:

15 single rooms, 82 Euros with breakfast and tax/per night. The blocking will be dissolved automatically on 26.05.2014. You can access this room blocking with the code word CMS. http://www.eden-bonn.de/index.php/en/bonn-infos-eden-am-hofgarten.html

Hotel Ibis:

15 single rooms, 84 Euros with breakfast and tax/per night. The blocking will be dissolved automatically on 03.06.2014. You can access this room blocking with the code word CMS. http://www.accorhotels.com/gb/hotel-1441-ibis-bonn/index.shtml

Hotel Kurfuerstenhof Bonn:

25 single rooms, 84 Euros with breakfast and tax/per night. The blocking will be dissolved automatically on 30.05.2014. You can access this hotel reservation with the code word CMS. http://www.kurfuerstenhof-bonn.de/index.php/en/hotel-kurfuerstenhof-bonn.html

An additional tool to book available rooms in Bonn is: http://www.bonn-region.de/english.html

V. Weather

Bonn in summer has long spells of sunshine, temperatures regularly top 20° C / 68° F, rising to more than 25° C / 77° F at times. However, do not forget to bring your raincoat, umbrella and a light jacket or pullover since weather in Northern Europe is at best unpredictable and it can be cool and wet.

VI. Currency

Germany's currency is the Euro (€). As of 1 February 2014, the exchange rate was €0.73 for 1 USD. Credit cards are accepted in hotels and in most restaurants in Bonn, but not in many shops.

VII. Visas

Upon request, an official letter of invitation will be sent to participants. This can be attached to the German visa application. Visas can be obtained from your nearest German embassy or consulate. Addresses can be downloaded from the website of the: < <u>German Foreign Office</u> >. If you have any difficulties obtaining a visa, please contact the Secretariat: <u>secretariat@cms.int</u>.

VIII. Working language of the meeting

The meeting will be conducted in English, French and Spanish, with interpretation during plenary sessions.

IX. Identification badges

All delegates will receive an identification badge. You are requested to wear this badge during all official functions to gain access to the venue.

X. Time zone

Germany is in the Central European Time zone. GMT +1 hour.

XI. Information on Bonn

For information on Bonn and its region please refer to:

< http://www.bonn-region.de/english.html >

XII. Useful Numbers

Country dialling code: +49 City dialling code: (0)228 Railway Station Bonn: 19419

Emergency: 112 Police: 110 Fire: 112

Doctors: 364567 or 19257

UNEP/CMS Secretariat: 81524-56/23/01

Security requirements in the building

Please note the standard security requirements that you need to be familiar with when you visit us here at the UN Campus in Bonn:

- 1. No big luggage allowed inside the building; maximum size is a backpack or a briefcase or laptop bag (If you have big luggage you will have an option to leave it with security and it will be stored until leaving the premises)
- 2. No friends or family members unless they are participants
- 3. Participants should not use the facilities of other offices on the conference floors
- 4. Smoking is only allowed outside the building
- 5. All participants will be checked against their passports/national ID cards
- 6. The participants should not move throughout the building unattended for safety reasons unless really necessary; in that case please inform the Security
- 7. Please report any loss of conference ID badge to the Security for corrective action regarding the access
- 8. Participants should not leave their personal items of value unattended
- 9. Participants should appear at the entrance of the building half an hour earlier in order to ensure that there is enough time to deal with the last minute changes if there are any
- 10. No photos should be taken inside the building