

Second IWC-CMS Workshop on Cetacean Ecosystem Functioning



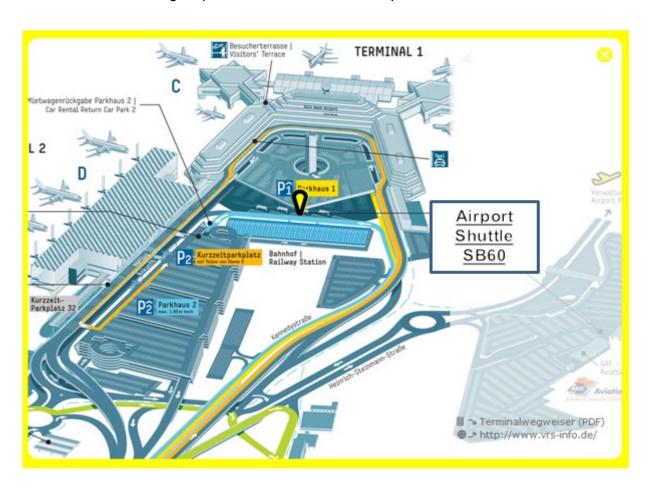
Bonn, Germany, 14-16 November 2023

INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

1. Getting to Bonn

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

Participants 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 €8.20. Please see the following map for directions to the bus stop:



Participants 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 €60.00 (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 €35.00 from Siegburg to Bonn. You can also catch tram 66 from Siegburg to Bonn (ticket price €5.30, please press 3 on the ticket machine). The tram journey takes 25 minutes.

Normal train service between Frankfurt International Airport and Bonn main railway station (Hauptbahnhof) 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 €45.00 (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 about €19.60 (2nd class).

2. Workshop venue

The workshop will take place in room 129 at the "Langer Eugen" (LEU) building inside the UN Campus. The LEU has the UN logo displayed on the top of the building.

Address: Platz der Vereinten Nationen 1 (former Hermann-Ehlers-Strasse 10), 53113 Bonn. Tel: +49 228 815 2401.

Upon entry to the UN Campus, all participants must present their passports/national ID cards at the security guardhouse at the main entrance. All participants will receive a visitor pass to enter the UN campus. Please wear this badge during your stay at UN Campus. NB: The meeting badge from the CMS Secretariat will not give entrance to the UN campus.

Remote connection will be provided to those who are unable to travel to the meeting venue.

3. Security requirements at the venue

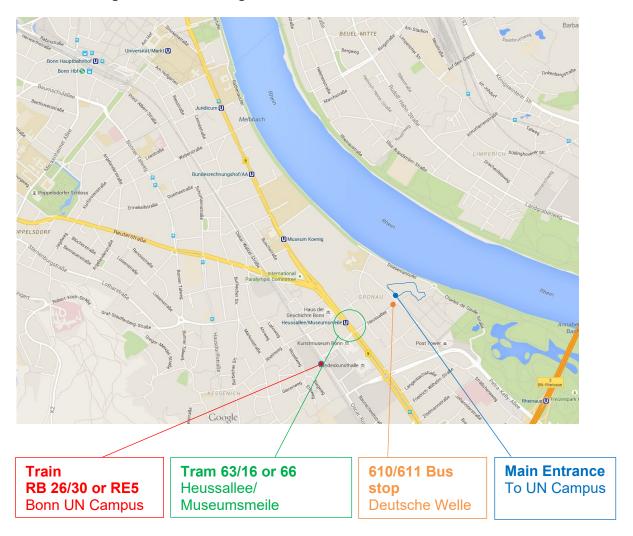
Please note the standard security requirements that you need to be familiar with:

- Delegates must ensure their own medical and other insurance covers for the duration of the travel, including the meeting.
- No friends or family members are allowed to enter the UN Campus unless they are meeting participants.
- Participants should not use the facilities of other offices/agencies on the conference floors.
- Smoking is only allowed outside the building.
- All participants will be checked for their passports/national ID cards at the security gate.
- Please report any loss of visitor badge to security.
- Participants should not leave their personal items of value unattended.

4. Visas

Upon request, an official letter of invitation will be emailed to the workshop participants. This can be attached to the German visa application. Visas can be obtained from your nearest German embassy or consulate. Information and addresses can be found from the website of the German Foreign Office. If you have any difficulties obtaining a visa, please contact the CMS Secretariat.

5. How to get to the meeting venue



By Train – Stop "Bonn UN Campus":

From Bonn main railway station (Hauptbahnhof) in the city centre take either the Regional Train RB30 (direction: Ahrweiler, departing from platform 4), RE5 (direction: Koblenz, departing from platform 3) or RB 26 (direction: Mainz, departing from platform 3) to the stop "Bonn UN Campus".

From the train station Bad Godesberg take either the Regional train RB26 (direction: Köln Messe/ Deutz), RB30 (direction: Bonn Hbf) or RE5 (direction: Wesel) to the stop 'Bonn UN Campus'. All these trains depart from platform 2.

From the train stop, you can walk to the UN Campus, which takes around 10 minutes. Due to construction, the bus stop 'Deutsche Welle', outside the UN Campus cannot be reached.

> By tram (U-Bahn) - Stop "Heussallee/ Museumsmeile":

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

From Bad Godesberg station (Bahnhof): take <u>tram 63/16</u> (direction: Niehl) to the stop 'Heussallee/Museumsmeile'. Upon arrival at the stop Heussallee/Museumsmeile, exit the station by following the sign 'UN Campus' and continue walking straight ahead for about 5 min until you see the LEU.

> By bus:

From Bonn city centre (Hauptbahnhof) or Bad Godesberg city centre, take Bus <u>610</u> or <u>611</u> to the stop 'Deutsche Welle', which is next to the UN campus security gate.

Tram or bus tickets can be obtained from ticket machines in the stations or in the bus or tram itself. Tickets can be purchased with a credit card or cash. If you are travelling in and around Bonn, press the 1b button, one-way ticket (1 trip) costs €3.20 and a multiple ticket (4 trips) costs €12.80.

By taxi:

The fare for a taxi ride to the Langer Eugen from Bonn city centre (Hauptbahnhof-Main station) is around €15.00 and from Bad Godesberg city center about €20. The central phone number for Bonn taxis is +49 (0)228 555 555. It is also a UBER service in place in Bonn.

6. Registration

Registration will start at 08:30 on Tuesday, 14 November 2023. Every participant will receive a meeting badge. This badge does not grant entrance at the security gate, and is only an identification badge for this particular event.

7. Lunch and coffee breaks

Coffee breaks will be provided by the CMS Secretariat. Lunches will be provided by Animal Wildlife Institute, and served on the 29th floor of LEU.

8. Hotel accommodation

Participants should liaise with the IWC Secretariat about hotel bookings for information. The following hotels are easily accessible by public transport from the UN Campus:

Bonn Marriott Hotel

Platz der Vereinten Nationen 4, 53113 Bonn

Tel: +49 (0)228 280500, website: <u>www.marriott.com</u>

- Located next to the UN building. Closest subway station: Heusallee/Museumsmeile'.

Maritim Hotel Bonn

Godesberger Allee (access: Kurt-Georg-Kiesinger Allee 1), 53175 Bonn Tel: +49 (0)228 81808; ext. -777 for bookings; email: info.bon@maritim.de

Website: Hotel nah der Rheinaue | Maritim Hotel Bonn

- The hotel is located at tram stop "Robert-Schuman-Platz". To reach the venue take tram line 66 direction 'Siegburg' and step off at 'Heusallee'. Follow the signs to 'UN Campus'.

Hotel Rheinland (Bad Godesberg)

Rheinallee 17, 53173 Bonn

Tel: +49 228 820000, Email: rezeption@hotel-rheinland-bonn.de

Website: http://www.hotel-rheinland-bonn.de/home.html

- The hotel is conveniently located in the charming villa quarter in the heart of Bad Godesberg, in immediate proximity to all public transportation. To reach the venue, use the bus in front of the hotel or walk to the "Bad Godesberg station" and follow the tram instructions above.

Hotel Kaiserhof

Moltkestraße 64, 53173 Bonn - Bad Godesberg

Tel: +49 228 957050, E-mail: info@kaiserhof.bestwestern.de

Website: https://www.bestwestern.de/hotels/Bonn-Bad-Godesberg/BEST-WESTERN-Hotel-Kaiserhof

- The Hotel Kaiserhof is located right next to the train and tram station in the centre of Bonn-Bad Godesberg.

• Best Western Domicil Bonn

Thomas-Mann-Straße 24-26, 53111 Bonn

Tel.: +49 228 729090, Email: info@domicil-bonn.bestwestern.de

Website: https://www.bestwestern.de/hotels/Bonn/Best-Western-Hotel-Domicil

- This hotel is located in close proximity to Bonn Central Station. From Bonn Central Station you can either take the tram (line 16, 63 or 66) or the regional train to the stop 'UN Campus'. Please follow the instructions above.

BONNOX Boardinghouse and Hotel

In der Raste 5-7, 53129 Bonn

Tel: (+49 228) 92667808, Email: rezeption@bonnox.de, Website: http://www.bonnox.de/en

- An 8-minute walk from Dt. Telekom Ollenhauerstraße Metro Station, this hotel in Bonn offers self-catered apartments.

Please note that the City of Bonn charges an overnight stay tax of 5% on the room accommodation rate for leisure travel. This tax is not included in the hotel rates and needs to be paid at the hotel, in addition to the room rate. Business travelers are exempt from this tax when showing an adequate verification that they are in Bonn for business purposes. The IWC Secretariat will provide the participants with a personalized invitation letter to avoid payment of this tax. Furthermore, please fill out the tax exemption form and hand it to the hotel staff. The form will be provided by the Secretariat.

9. Weather

The meeting is being held in November, which is nearly winter in Bonn. The weather in Bonn is usually cold and rainy during these days. The average maximum day temperature is 10°C (50°F). The average night-temperature is usually around 4°C (40°F).

10. Currency

Germany's currency is the Euro (€). As of 1 September 2023, the exchange rate was € 0,93 for 1 USD. Credit cards are accepted in hotels and in most restaurants in Bonn, but not in many shops.

11. Voltage and type of pins

In Germany, the electrical plug/ outlet and voltage operates on **220 volts**, **50 Hz**, with round-prong European-style plugs that fit into recessed wall sockets/ points. Many appliances with their own power adapters (such as laptop computers and digital cameras) can be plugged into either 110-120 volt or 220-240 volt sockets/points and will adapt to the voltage automatically.



12. Time zone

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

13. Useful Numbers

Country dialling code: +49 City dialling code: (0)228

Railway Station Bonn: 0228 19419

Emergency: 112

Police: 110 Fire: 112

Doctors: 0228 364567 or 0228 19257

CMS Secretariat: 0228 815 2416

14. Information on Bonn

For information on Bonn and its region please refer to http://www.bonn-region.de/english.html.