





# Information on logistics Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) 19<sup>th</sup> meetings of the IPBES Bureau and MEP

# 27–29 September 2022, Bonn, Germany

# 1- Meeting Venue:

The meetings will be held at the United Nations Campus in Bonn, on the upper floor of the "Altes Abgeordnetenhaus" (AAH; the first building on the left after the security check).

The UN Campus - Platz der Vereinten Nationen 1, 53113 Bonn, Germany.



Please note that external visitors can enter the premises only from the main gate. No entry is possible form the Rhine side. There will be signs at the entrance of the campus to lead participants to the meeting rooms. When arriving to the security gate, please present your ID/passport (original) and inform the security officer that you are attending the IPBES meeting. You will then be granted access to the premises.

# 2- Accommodation in Bonn:

Please note that participants are requested to book their own accommodation at a hotel of their choice.

Please find below a list of hotels which are within walking distance of or connected by public transport with the meeting venue.

Derag Livinghotel Kanzler **** (15 min walk to the UN Campus)		
Adenauerallee 148		
53113 Bonn		
Germany		
www.deraghotels.de/hotel-kanzler-bonn		
Bonn Marriott World Conference Hotel ***** (facing the UN Campus)		
Platz der Vereinten Nationen 4		
53113 Bonn		
Germany		
http://bonn-marriott-hotel.com		
InterCity Hotel Bonn**** (at the Bonn main station, access to train and bus)		
Quantiusstraße 22,		
53115 Bonn,		
Germany		
www.intercityhotel.com/en/hotels/all-hotels		
Motel One Bonn-Beethoven*** (5 min walk from Bonn main station)		
Berliner Freiheit 36		
53111 Bonn		
Germany		
Hotel Bonn Beethoven Motel One   design hotels Bonn Beethoven downtown (motel-		
<u>one.com</u> )		
Hotel Europa *** (10 min walk or one stop by tram from Bonn main station, access to train and bus)		
Thomas-Mann-Straße 7		
53111 Bonn		
Germany		
www.hotel-europa-bonn.de		
Sternhotel Bonn **** (city centre/market place, 15 min walk from Bonn main station,		
access to train and bus)		
Markt 8		
53111 Bonn		
Germany		
www.sternhotel-bonn.de		

# 3- Getting from Bonn main station (Bonn Hauptbahnhof (Hbf) or Central Station, train/bus) to the UN Campus:

You can take bus number 611 (direction "Heiderhof"), and bus number 610 (direction "Mehlem/Giselherstr.)" from the bus station located at the main station (Bonn Hauptbahnhof) and get off at Deutsche Welle bus stop (a ride of 12 minutes). Just across the street you will see the security gate/UN entrance.

Alternatively, you can take tram number 16, 66 or 63 direction "Bad Godesberg/Bad Honnef" from the main station (Bonn Hauptbahnhof) and get off at Heussallee/Museumsmeile (a ride of 7 minutes). The UN campus is located 300m from the tram station. In the station, please follow the signs for "UN Campus" up the stairs. At the end of "Heussalle" street you will see the "Langer Eugen" building with the UN logo and the security gate of the UN Campus.



As another possibility, you can take any of the regional trains "RB" direction Bonn-Mehlem, direction Mainz Hbf or direction Ahrbrück from Bonn central station and get off at the "UN Campus" station. It is a 2-minute ride and this station is about 650m from the meeting venue.



# 4- Getting to Bonn:

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

Participants arriving at **Cologne/Bonn Airport** can reach Bonn city centre either by taxi (the fare from the airport to the city centre is approximately  $\in 65.00$ ), or by bus (SB 60), departing from the bus stop at Terminal 1 to the city centre (final stop "Hauptbahnhof", main railway station) at a cost of about  $\in 8.20$ .

Participants arriving at **Frankfurt International Airport** may wish to take the train to Bonn. There is a high-speed train service (ICE) between the airport and Bonn/Cologne. Travel time is approximately 40 minutes and the ticket price varies from €35.00 to €80.00 ( $2^{nd}$  class). Departure is from the long-distance train station (Fernbahnhof) in the airport complex. The final destination is Cologne. The station stop for Bonn is the town of Siegburg (please get off at: Siegburg/Bonn). Taxis are available for approximately €40.00 from Siegburg to Bonn. 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 round ticket costs about €45.00 ( $2^{nd}$  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 the ticket cost is about €45.00 (2<sup>nd</sup> class).

# 5- Registration

<u>Registration of participants</u>: participants will be invited to register upon arrival at the meeting venue. Nametags will be issued to participants upon registration that will start at **7.30 a.m**. on the first day of the meeting, **Tuesday**, **27 September 2022**, in the lobby of AAH.

To enter the UN Campus and premises you will need your ID. Please remember to bring your passport.

#### 6- Daily subsistence allowance (DSA) disbursement

Supported participants will need to provide their boarding pass stubs when claiming the daily subsistence allowance (DSA). Supported participants who are required to pay for visas to enter Germany are also required to submit original receipts for reimbursement.

DSA payment for this meeting will be made through a value cash card ("swiss card"). Therefore, the DSA entitlement is credited on the card and not received by cash. The card is a Master card that allows its holder to withdraw the full amount at any ATM machine or use it to pay for expenses at hotels, restaurants and shops. The secretariat will inform supported participants by email when the card is activated. In case you have received a swiss card for a previous meeting, please bring it with you.

#### 7- Medical Insurance

Meeting participants are responsible for obtaining comprehensive international insurance for the duration of their stay. The United Nations and IPBES secretariat disclaim all responsibility for medical, accident and travel insurance, for compensation for death or disability, for loss or damage to personal property and for any other costs or losses that may be incurred during travel or the period of participation.

# 8- COVID-19 guidelines

To ensure the health and safety of participants and the local community, participants will be required to fully comply with and adhere to the following COVID-19 health and safety guidelines:

- Mask wearing is obligatory when indoors/in the venue except when eating or drinking or when speaking in a meeting room or at an event. Masks will be distributed free of charge during registration.
- Full vaccination is strongly encouraged. Access to the conference venue is not conditional on proof of full vaccination or a negative antigen test.
- It is expected that participants test daily at their places of residence for the duration of the meeting.
  - Test kits will be distributed free of charge during registration.
  - Participants with a positive test result will need to:
    - Self-isolate immediately. Self-isolation can be ended after 5 days with an
      official negative test (rapid antigen test from a test centre or a PCR test)
      or after 10 days without an official negative test.
    - Inform the secretariat by writing to mea-ipbes-covid19@un.org
    - Conduct a PCR test to confirm the antigen test result. A test centre offering PCR tests on a commercial basis close to the conference venue is located at Heussallee 11, 53117 Bonn. An overview of test centres on a commercial basis in Bonn is available at https://www.bonn.de/microsite/en/services/medical-care/information-ontesting-for-the-coronavirus.php
- The cost of COVID-19 testing, which is strictly related to official travel, will be reimbursed for supported participants.
- Quarantine expenses shall not be reimbursed.
- Self-isolating participants can participate in the meeting remotely.
- If medical assistance is required, please refer to the information below on medical emergencies and the list of hospitals.
- Venue details: Enhanced fresh air circulation is implemented in the meeting rooms. Hand sanitizer dispensers will be available throughout the venue.
- Physical distancing is currently not implemented in the venue, but participants are encouraged to maintain a safe distance wherever and whenever possible.
- The secretariat will continue to monitor the situation and adjust guidelines as necessary.

#### 9- Food options

Lunch will be provided for participants on the 29<sup>th</sup> floor of the "Langer Eugen" building on the UN campus.

#### **10- General Information on Germany and Bonn**

**Location:** Bonn is located in the center of Europe, in the Rhineland, at the Rhine River. More information about Bonn is available <u>here</u>.

**Currency**: The Euro ( $\in$ ) is the paper currency in Germany. As of 15 August 2022, the exchange rate is  $\in$  0.965 for 1 USD.

**Credit cards:** Major credit cards are accepted in most hotels and restaurants in the city of Bonn, but not in all shops.

Electricity: Germany 230 V 50 Hz C / F Voltage: 220-240 Volts (U.S./Canada are 110-120 Volts) Primary Socket Type: Europlug, Schuko

**Standard Time Zone:** Germany is in the Central European Time zone. Currently, daylightsaving Central European Summer Time is observed, which equals GMT +2 hours.

**Weather:** September, the first month of the autumn in Bonn, is also an enjoyable month, with an average temperature fluctuating between 9.8°C (49.6°F) and 18.9°C (66°F). Please check <u>here</u> for up-to-date information.

#### **Emergency Numbers/contact:**

Service	Telephone
Police	110
Fire brigade	112
Emergency doctor / ambulance	112
Telephone information service (national)	11833
Telephone information service	11834
(international)	
Taxi service (Bonn)	+49 228 55 55 55

#### Hospitals in Bonn:

Hospital	Address	Telephone
St. Marien Hospital	Robert-Koch-Strasse 1	+49 228 505 - 0
	53115 Bonn	
St. Josef Hospital	Hermannstrasse 37	+49 228 407 - 0
	53225 Bonn (Beuel)	
St. Petrus Hospital	Bonner Talweg 4-6	+49 228 506 - 0
	53113 Bonn	
St. Elisabeth Hospital	Prinz-Albert-Strasse 40	+49 228 508 - 0
	53113 Bonn	
St. Johannes Hospital	Kölnstrasse 54 (Zentrum),	+49 228 701 - 3201
	53111 Bonn	