

Joint Meeting of the Bern Convention Network of Special Focal Points on Eradication of Illegal Killing, Trapping and Trade in Wild Birds and the CMS Intergovernmental Task Force on Illegal Killing, Taking and Trade of Migratory Birds in the Mediterranean

(Bonn Germany, 13 to 15 May 2025)

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I. Getting to Bonn

Bonn is located approximately twenty minutes journey time south of Cologne and two hours north-west 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 $\in 60.00$), 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 $\in 9.70$. Please see the following map for directions to the bus stop.

On average, it takes around 54 minutes to travel from Cologne Bonn Airport to Bonn Hbf by train, the fastest services can get you there in as little as 46 minutes though. You'll usually find 42 trains per day running along the 10 miles (16 km) route between these two destinations. You'll need to make 1 change during the journey in Cologne Hbf to take the train to Bonn Hbf, as there currently aren't any direct train services on this route. Train tickets cost around 15€. You can take a bus at Terminal 1 every 30 minutes which will take you to Bonn Hbf. The journey takes 47 mins and the fare is €10 to €15.



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 €50.00 (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 €45.00 from Siegburg to Bonn. You can

also catch the tram 66 from Siegburg to Bonn (ticket price €6.30, 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 €24.00 (2nd class).

II. Meeting Venue

The meeting will take place at the "Alte Abgeordnete Haus" (AAH) inside the UN Campus. The AAH building offers all modern meeting facilities and equipment.

Address: *UN Campus Bonn* AAH Lower Meeting Room Platz der Vereinten Nationen 1 (former Hermann-Ehlers-Strasse 10) 53113 Bonn Tel: (+49 228) 815 2401

Map showing the UNEP/CMS Secretariat:



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. It can also be reached by bus, the bus stop is "Deutsche Welle", outside the UN.

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

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

From Bad Godesberg station (Bahnhof): take tram 63/16 (direction: Niehl) to the stop "Heussallee/Museumsmeile". < <u>Tram 63/Tram 16 >.</u>

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 till you see a large white building in front of a higher building being the **Langer Eugen** (UN building).

<mark>≻By bus:</mark>

From Bonn city centre (Hauptbahnhof) or Bad Godesberg city centre, take Bus 610 or 611 to the stop "Heuseeallee/ Museumsmeile". <u>Bus 610 > Bus 611 ></u>. After getting off, continue walking down Heussallee for about 5 minutes till you see a large white building in front of a higher building being the **Langer Eugen** (UN building).

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 €3.50 and a multiple ticket (4 trips) costs €14.00.

<u>≻By taxi:</u>

The fare for a taxi ride to the Langer Eugen from Bonn city centre (Hauptbahnhof-Main station) is around €20.00 and from Bad Godesberg city center about €25.00. The central phone number for Bonn taxis is +49 (0)228 555 555.



III. At the Guardhouse UN Campus

Once you get to the UN Campus Guardhouse, you will be required to show your National ID Card/Passport as an identification. You will be given a temporary access badge and be asked to leave your passport/ID card in return.

The access badge will allow you to get into the different buildings at the campus and get in and out through the turnstiles. Please keep the badge during the day and when each meeting day ends please go again through the Guardhouse and pick up your identification document and return your access badge.

The procedure of going through the Guardhouse will be necessary each morning of the meeting days.

IV. Registration Desk

Registration will start at 08.00hrs on Tuesday, 13 May 2025.

Health Insurance:

All participants are also responsible for having medical and travel insurance and covering any additional expenses due to any unexpected illness or accident.

V. Hotel accommodation

Funded participants will receive full DSA and are asked to make their own hotel reservations.

The Secretariat can recommend the following hotels, from which the UN Campus is easily accessible by public transport:

BONNOX Boardinghouse and Hotel

In der Raste 5-7 53129 Bonn Tel: (+49 228) 92667808 E-mail: <u>rezeption@bonnox.de</u> Website: <u>http://www.bonnox.de/en</u> An 8-minute walk from Dt. Telekom Ollenhauerstraße Metro Station, this hotel in Bonn offers self-catered apartments.

Hotel Kaiserhof

Moltkestraße 64 53173 Bonn – Bad Godesberg Tel: (+49 228) 957050 E-mail: <u>info@kaiserhof.bestwestern.de</u> Website: <u>https://www.bestwestern.de/hotels/Bonn-Bad-Godesberg/BEST-WESTERN-Hotel-Kaiserhof</u> The Hotel Kaiserhof is located right next to the train and tram station in the centre of Bonn-Bad Godesberg.

Hotel Rheinland (Bonn)

Berliner Freiheit 11 53111 Bonn Tel: (+49 228) 9082390 Mail: <u>info@rheinland-hotel.de</u> Website: https://www.rheinland-hotel.de/

The hotel is located in the city center of Bonn, in immediate proximity to the Rhein. To reach the venue, use the tram line 66 to Bonn Central station, then change to tram lines 16 or 63 in the direction of Bad Godesberg.

Motel One Bonn-Beethoven

Berliner Freiheit 36 53111 Bonn Tel.: (+49 228) 9727860 Mail: <u>bonn-beethoven@motel-one.com</u> Website: <u>https://www.motel-one.com/en/hotels/bonn/hotel-bonn-beethoven/</u>

This hotel is located in the city center of Bonn, right next to the tram stop "Bertha-von-Suttner-Platz". From here, you can reach the UN Campus by taking the tram line 66 in the direction of "Bad Honnef" or "Ramersdorf".

Best Western Domicil Bonn

Thomas-Mann-Straße 24-26 53111 Bonn Tel.: (+49 228) 729090 Mail: <u>info@domicil-bonn.bestwestern.de</u> Website: <u>https://www.bestwestern.de/hotels/Bonn/Best-Western-Hotel-Domicil</u>

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 under point II.

Leisure Tax:

The city of Bonn charges an overnight stay tax of 6% on the room accommodation rate from 01.01.2024 onwards for leisure travel, which needs to be paid by the guests at the hotel. This tax is NOT INCLUDED in the hotel rates and needs to be paid additionally in the hotel.

VI. Meals

The organizers will provide **coffee breaks** (coffee/Tea and biscuits) during the days of the meeting. Lunch and dinner should be covered by the participants themselves.

Please find below some options for lunch you may wish to consider.

In the AHH building, there is a small café, where delegates can purchase sandwiches and salads for lunch. Other than that, there are a few options around the UN Campus:

- Food trucks
- Cantine at Deutsche Welle
- Lunch at the Marriott Hotel (Parlament Restaurant)
- Business Lunch at Remise Restaurant
- Business Lunch at Forissimo (Italian restaurant)
- Bakery "Bundesbüdchen", outside the main gate of the UN Campus
- Kiosk "Rheinbiss" (accessible through the gate by the Rhine)

VII. Weather

The meeting is being held in May, which is winter/spring in Bonn. May in Bonn generally includes low temperatures and moderate rainfall. In the daytime, temperatures tend to hover near 19°C, cooling down at night to around 8°C.

VIII. Currency

Germany's currency is the Euro (\in). As of 14 February 2025, the exchange rate was \in 0,967 for 1 USD. Credit cards are accepted in hotels and in most restaurants and shops in Bonn.

IX. 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.



X. 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. Information and Addresses can be downloaded from the website of the <u>German</u> <u>Foreign Office.</u>

If you have any difficulties obtaining a visa, please contact the Secretariat: <u>cms.secretariat@cms.int</u>.

XI. Working language of the meeting

The meeting will be conducted mainly in English, but interpretation into and from French will be provided during plenary sessions.

XII. Internet

WiFi will be provided free of charge in the meeting rooms for the duration of the meeting.

XIII. Identification badges

All participants will receive an identification badge to access the venue. You are requested to wear this badge at all times during your stay at UN Campus.

XIV. Time zone

Germany is in the Central European Time (CET) zone. GMT +1 hour. In May it will be Summer time, CEST.

XV. Information on Bonn

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

XVI. 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 UNEP/CMS Secretariat: 0228 815 2401

XVII. 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 friends or family members are allowed to enter the UN Campus unless they are participants
- 2. Participants should not use the facilities of other offices on the conference floors
- 3. Smoking is only allowed outside the buildings
- 4. All participants will be checked against their passports/national ID cards
- 5. The participants are not allowed to move throughout the building unless attended by Secretariat Staff
- 6. Please report any loss of conference ID badge to the Security for corrective action regarding the access
- 7. Participants should not leave their valuable personal items unattended
- 8. Participants should appear at the entrance of the building at least half an hour earlier in order to ensure that there is enough time to clear security