

UN-SPIDER Bonn International Conference Space-based Solutions for Disaster Management in Africa: Challenges, Applications, Partnerships

6-8 November 2019, UN Campus, Bonn, Germany



Useful information for participants

Welcome to Bonn

A hub of international synergies



(named after the first name of a former President of Parliament). Sixteen of the seventeen UN units residing in Bonn are assembled under its roof. Another, older parliamentary office building across the street from “Langer Eugen” accommodates the UN Climate Secretariat (UNFCCC).

“The UN in Bonn - for sustainable development worldwide”: this is the common denominator of the UN units

in Bonn. The UN Campus provides ideal working conditions and an environment rich in synergies. A special advantage is the close distance to the International Congress Centre and to many other important partners. This is an excellent environment for co-operative action and for ad hoc networking. UN organisations, Federal Ministries and Federal Agencies, about 150 Non-Governmental Organisations, Research Institutions and the resident economic Global Players determine the character of Bonn as an international location. Increasingly, the city is turning into a hub of a network whose actors focus on the issues of sustainable and humane development.

With the experience, structures and competences of 50 years of governmental responsibility, the city of Bonn was destined for its new role as an international scientific and communication centre after Berlin became Germany’s capital again in 1990. Today, Bonn fulfills that role with numerous UN organisations, federal ministries and subordinate authorities, development organisations and non-governmental organisations with international orientation that constitute a strong international network in Bonn.

Over the past decade, Bonn has managed to shape a new profile as the German City of the United Nations and a centre of international dialogue on key issues of the future. The Bonn UN Campus is a visible symbol of this development. Since July 1996, Bonn is entitled to call itself a UN City. Ten years later, in July 2006, Federal Chancellor Angela Merkel handed over the new branch office of the United Nations to UN Secretary General Kofi Annan. The Federal Government has invested EUR 55 million into refurbishing the high-rise building which used to accommodate offices of members of parliament and is widely known by its nickname “Tall Eugene – Langer Eugen”

Further information is available at: <https://www.bonn.de/microsite/en/international-profile/united-nations-in-bonn/index.php>

Venue

Where we are and how you find us

The international conference will be held at the UN Campus. It offers excellent conferencing facilities, as well as a canteen with international cuisine. Additional rooms will be accessible for parallel sessions and discussion groups.

Address:

UNOOSA/UN-SPIDER
UN Campus
Platz der Vereinten Nationen 1
53113 Bonn

By air:

from Cologne/Bonn airport (Flughafen Köln/Bonn):

- Airport-shuttle-bus SB60 towards Bonn Hauptbahnhof (Central Station)
- Underground (U-Bahn) line 16, 63 or 66 direction Bad Godesberg/Königswinter
- “Heussallee/Museumsmeile” stop, exit station direction “Deutsche Welle”
- When you reach the street go straight ahead until you reach Platz der Vereinten Nationen and the UN Campus

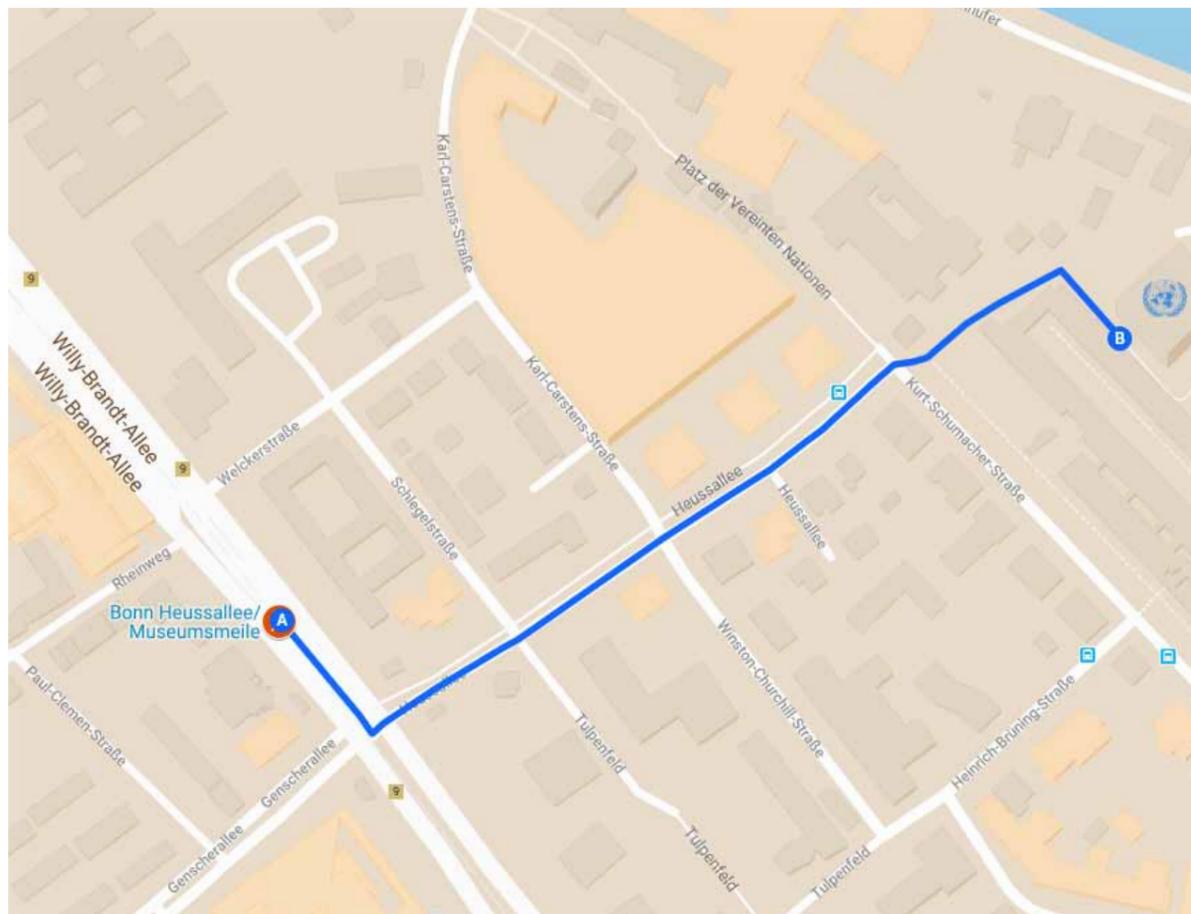
The airport is well connected to the city centre by Airport-shuttle-bus SB60 leaving from Terminal 2 every thirty minutes (a single ticket is 8.50 EUR and is valid for the tram as well if you immediately continue your trip). **Please note that the ticket machine at the airport is not taking cards; you will need cash to purchase a ticket.** It is also possible to rent a car or take a taxi, of course. The distance between airport and Central Station is around 30 km. Please check the following webpage on more information about Bonn/Cologne Airport:

<http://www.koeln-bonn-airport.de/index.php>

By railway/underground:

from Bonn Hauptbahnhof/Central Station:

- Underground (U-Bahn) line 16, 63 or 66 towards Bad Godesberg/Königswinter (a single ticket - category 1b - is 3.00 EUR)
- “Heussallee/Museumsmeile” stop, exit station direction “Deutsche Welle”
- When you reach the street go straight ahead into Heussallee until you reach



By car:

If you come by car, use a route planner to find your way to the UN premises and to your hotel, for example [maps.google.com](https://www.google.com/maps).

Coming from the North (Frankfurt/Hannover/Ruhrgebiet):

- A3 motorway to Bonn/Siegburg intersection
- A560 motorway towards Bonn until St. Augustin junction
- A59 motorway towards Bonn-Bad Godesberg until Bonn-Ost (42) intersection
- A562 motorway, keep right until exit (Anschlussstelle) Bonn-Rheinaue
- Turn right onto Petra-Kelly-Allee towards Bonn-Rheinaue
- Turn right onto Charles-de-Gaulle-Straße
- The UN Bonn Campus is located at the end of the street on the left



Coming from the South-West of the Rhine:

- A61 motorway until Meckenheim intersection
- A 565 motorway towards Bonn
- Poppelsdorf exit, towards Bad Godesberg (B9)
- After “Reuterbruecke”-Bridge keep right and follow the road to the right into Adenauerallee
- Take the first left into Welckerstraße
- At the 3-way intersection turn right into Karl Carstens Straße
- At the next intersection turn left into Heussallee
- The main entrance of the UN Bonn Campus is right ahead at the end of the street
- To park your car at Charles-de-Gaulle-Straße take a right into Kurt-Schumacher-Straße
- At the next intersection, continue straight ahead into Sträßchensweg
- Follow the street and at the next red light continue straight ahead into Charles-de-Gaulle-Str.

Note for Visitors: There is hardly any possibility to park your car directly at the UN Campus.

Hotel Information

Where you can stay

For certain hotels in Bonn special UN discounts/prices are offered. We strongly recommend booking your room as soon as possible. Please contact the hotel directly to make your reservation informing them that you are a participant of a United Nations International Conference in order to receive the rates below and mention the booking code where indicated. Breakfast and taxes are included in the prices unless stated differently.

More hotels:

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



Please note that special UN discounts/prices may not be offered during Trade Fair periods and certain seasonal and local happenings.

Hotel	Rates	Booking Contact
1) Hotel Rheinland Berliner Freiheit 11 53111 Bonn	72 EUR / single room 88 EUR/ double room	Michael Wolff info@rheinland-hotel.de www.rheinland-hotel.de
2) Boarding House BONNOX In der Raste 5-7 53129 Bonn	84EUR / single room 91 EUR / double room Breakfast/night: 9 Booking code: "UNO-2019"	Michael Wolff reception@bonnox.de Tel: +49/228/92667808 Fax: +49/228/92667809 www.bonnox.de
3) Hotel My Südstadt (Ameron)	68 EUR/ Single Room incl. breakfast Booking Code "NOQZ"	Alexandra Hein hein@althoffhotels.com Tel: +49/228/26010 www.hotel-koenigshof-bonn.de
4) Hotel MY Poppelsdorf (Ameron) Wallfahrtsweg 4 53115 Bonn	68 EUR/ Single Room incl. breakfast Booking Code "NOQZ"	Alexandra Hein hein@althoffhotels.com Tel: +49/228/26 91 0 www.mypoppelsdorf.com
5) Hotel Königshof (Ameron) Adenauerallee 9 53111 Bonn	115 EUR/ Single Room incl. breakfast Booking Code "NOQZ"	Alexandra Hein hein@althoffhotels.com Tel: +49/228/26010 www.hotel-koenigshof-bonn.de/de
6) Insel Hotel Theaterplatz 5-7 53177 Bonn	118 EUR/ Single Room 128 EUR / Double Room Booking Code "UN"	Alexej Samoilow reservierung@inselhotel.com Tel: +49/228/35000 www.inselhotel.com

Hotel	Rates	Contact
7) Best Western Hotel Kaiserhof Moltkestr. 64 53173 Bonn	95 EUR / Single Room 115 EUR / Double Room 135 EUR/ double Room for 2 persons	Aurelia Prospato info@kaiserhof.bestwestern.de www.kaiserhof.bestwestern.de
8) Marriot World Conference Hotel Platz der Vereinten Nationen 4 53113 BONN	120 EUR/ Single Room Booking Code: "UNA"	Florian Hinz Florian.Hinz@wccbhotel.com Tel: +49/228/280500 www.wccbhotel.com/
9) Hotel Maritim Bonn Godesberger Allee (Zufahrt: Kurt-Georg-Kiesinger Allee 1) 53175 Bonn	91.86 EUR/ Classic Single Room 99.56 EUR/ Classic Twin/ Comfort Room 107.16 EUR/ Superior Single Room 114.76 EUR/Superior Double Room Booking code: "UNV199"	amueller.kam@maritim.de Tel: +49 /228/81080 https://www.maritim.de/de/hotels/deutschland/hotel-bonn/uebersicht
10) Kameha Hotel Am Bonner Bogen 1 53227 Bonn	130.00€EUR / Business Single incl. breakfast Booking Code "UNA" or "UN"	Florian Hinz Florian.Hinz@wccbhotel.com Tel: +49/228/43345000 www.kamehabonn.de

Lunch

Where you can eat

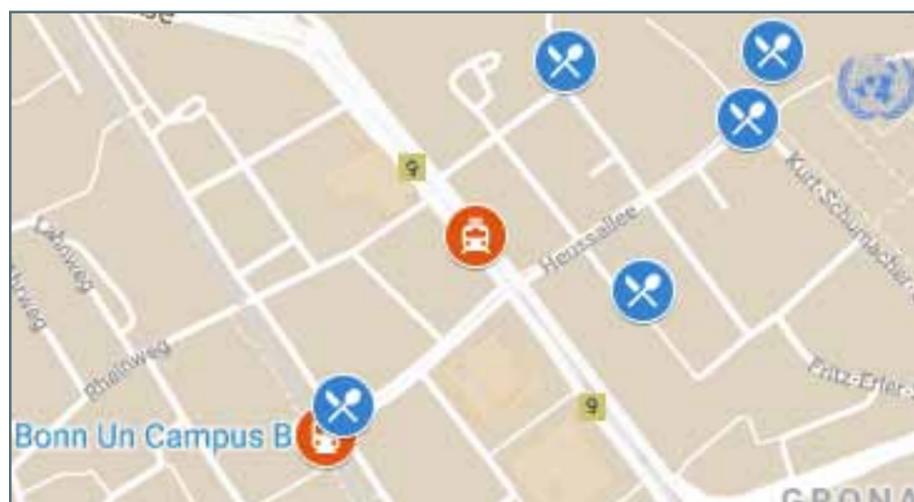
Lunch during the conference available in front of the AAH Lower-level Conference Room.

- UNFCCC Cafeteria is a small cafe located on the UN campus. It offers several sandwiches and salads.
- Leander Restaurant in GOP is a restaurant that offers a variety of dishes including daily lunch special.
- Mael 1883 is a German bakery offering sandwiches on the go. Located near the UN Campus train station, it is a great opportunity for a short walk during the lunch break.
- L&D Bundesnetzagentur is a restaurant catering to lunch specifically.
- Foodtrucks are present in front of the UN Campus entrance on Wednesday and Thursday.



To see the location of these facilities, scan the QR code or click the link.

<https://tinyurl.com/y5c5sw9a>



Public transportation

How you reach us from your hotel

It is easy to get around in Bonn as its public transport is well developed. You can choose between suburban trains (S-Bahn), subway (U-Bahn), trams and buses. You can find out about the quickest way to get from A to B on one of two electronic itinerary planners by typing in an address or a stop:

www.swb-busundbahn.de/fahrplaene/fahrplanauskunft/

www.vrs.de/englisch/timetable/timetable-information.html?L=0

www.bahn.com/en/view/index.shtml

There are several ticket options for using public transport within Bonn.

Zone K: For getting from U-Bahn stop “Universität/Markt” to the conference location (Stop “Heussallee”) or any other journey with four stops or less, you will need a ticket for Zone K (short distance tickets, valid for max. 4 stops). A single ticket for Zone K is 2.00 EUR, a 4-trip ticket is 8.00 EUR.

Zone 1b: From “Bonn Hauptbahnhof” (Central Station) to the venue and any other stop within Bonn more than 4 stops away from “Heussallee” you will need a ticket for Zone 1b. A single ticket for Zone 1b is 3.00 EUR. You can also buy day-tickets (8.80 EUR for category 1b) or purchase 4-trip tickets (“4er Ticket”, 12.00 EUR for category 1b).

For more information on tickets visit

<https://www.swb-busundbahn.de/tickets/tickets-und-tageskarten/einzel-und-gruppentickets/>



Visa Application

Advise and information on getting your visa

Participants from some countries are required to apply for a visa before coming to Bonn. On the following webpage you can find out whether you will need a visa to attend the international conference.

http://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/EN/EinreiseUndAufenthalt/03_Visabestimmungen/StaatenlisteVisumpflicht_node.html

The next webpage gives general advices for visa applications. You can download the application forms in several languages on this webpage as well.

http://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/EN/EinreiseUndAufenthalt/03_Visabestimmungen/Visabestimmungen_node.html#doc480844bodyText6

You will need to send your application to the mission/consulate responsible for the country you are from or where you have taken up permanent residentship. Check the following webpage for location and address for the missions/consulates that are of relevance for you.

<https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/blob/199314/c0b2cddbda2f89faacf2d52c96e648156/dtauslandsvertretungenliste-data.pdf>

When applying for your visa, please make sure to provide:

- a passport that is valid for at least another three months
- a valid health insurance coverage for your stay in Germany (even if you already hold a one-year or multiple-year visa)
- a copy of your invitation letter (clearly stating your name)
- a proof of financial resources to cover both your travel and your stay (also applicable for candidates who are partially funded)

Please make sure that you apply well in time and contact the mission/consulate by phone immediately in order to schedule an appointment.

If you need to submit any official documents regarding the event, please contact us. (See page 12 for contact details.)



On the first day of the conference

Registration details



Registration will start Wednesday, 6 November, at 8:30 a.m. and will continue until 9 a.m. Please arrive in good time and bring with you your invitation letter, a valid identity card, passport or other identification document with a photograph. Security is commonly strict and only participants that arrive with their letter and their ID will be allowed to enter the UN Bonn Campus. Large bags will not be allowed into the building, but

can be stored at the entrance for the duration of your visit.

The international conference will be paperless, however a few printed copies of the agenda will be made available in the conference room.

Your health

Where to get medical care

Please make sure that your health/life/travel insurance covers any medical treatments that might become necessary. **UNOOSA and its partners will NOT assume any responsibility for life and major health insurance, nor for expenses related to medical treatment or accidental events.** There are several general hospitals in Bonn. In case you need special medical assistance while you are attending the international conference, contact any of them to identify the one that is specialised in your medical condition.

Universitätsklinikum Bonn
Sigmund-Freud-Straße 25 53105 Bonn Telefon 0228 / 287-0
<http://www.ukb.uni-bonn.de>

Gemeinschaftskrankenhaus Bonn (Haus St. Elisabeth):
Prinz-Albert Str. 40 53113 Bonn Telefon 0228 / 508-0 Fax 0228 / 508-1508
<http://www.gk-bonn.de>

St. Marien-Hospital
Robert-Koch-Straße 1 53115 Bonn Telefon 0228 / 505-0 Fax 0228 / 505-2019
<http://www.marien-hospital-bonn.de>

Currency

How to pay and where to withdraw cash

In Germany, the currency - as in most European countries - is the Euro. Current exchange rate is 1 EUR - 1.09 US Dollar (as of 30/09/2019).

Bonn's banks and savings banks (Sparkassen) offer services to meet all of your banking needs, including foreign currency transactions, securities business and customer investment advice. All banks are under state supervision. Banking hours are generally 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on workdays with a 1 ½ hour break for lunch. Most banks remain open until 6 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays and close at 3 p.m. on Fridays. Most banks are closed on weekends. Automatic teller machines provide cash dispensing services to bank card holders 24 hours a day.

In most shops you will be able to pay with credit card and there are numerous cash machines throughout the town – including inside the UN building - where you can withdraw cash.

Enjoying Bonn

Tourist and leisure activities



In case you have some spare time on your hands, you might want to go for a little sightseeing tour in Bonn. The city offers various interesting sights and events for tourists.

You can go on guided tours by bus, by bike, on foot or even by limousine. The following webpage gives detailed information what types of sightseeing tours are available: <http://www.bonn-region.de/english.html>

Bonn offers several arts museums, ranging from medieval to contemporary art and many galleries. If you are an arts lover, you should check the following webpage for more information on the Bonn arts scene: <https://www.bonn-region.de/overv/sights-culture.html>

When it comes to sports Bonn offers something for all tastes and ages, from a relaxing walk at the foot of the Siebengebirge (a famous range of hills to the East of the river) to a marathon run.

<https://www.bonn-region.de/overview-experience--discover/experience-discover.html>

For events like concerts, exhibitions, musical etc. check the following webpage:

<https://www.bonn-region.de/overv/events-culture.html>



Shopping in Bonn: Practically the entire city centre is a pedestrian shopping centre. Between the railway station, the City Hall (Stadthaus), the Old Town Hall and Sterntor gate you can stroll from shop to shop, whether in large department stores, in clothing shops or in speciality shops of all kinds (fashion, high-tech, electronics, jewellery, sports equipment, delicatessen etc.). In the pedestrian zone and the shopping malls (Kaiserpassage, Cassius-Passage, Stern-Passage and Friedensplatz-Passage) you will find a shopping paradise, dotted with quaint peaceful squares with many cafés and restaurants. You will also find nice and varied shopping centres and pedestrian precincts in the other districts of Bonn (Bad Godesberg, Beuel, Hardtberg).

Opening hours of shops differ, but are roughly from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Outside the city centre, smaller shops may only be open in the mornings on Saturdays.

More useful information on Bonn for international visitors is also available here:

<http://www.bonn-international.org/>

Office of Tourist Information:

Windeckstraße 1 / near Münsterplatz

53111 Bonn

Tel.: +49 2 28 / 77 50-00 or 19433 Fax: +49 2 28 / 77 50-77

bonninformation@bonn.de

<https://www.bonn.de/microsite/en/highlights/tourist-information/tourist-information.php>

Questions?

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We are looking forward to welcoming you in Bonn!

