

The 5th Global WOPs Congress

Logistics Note



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Welcome to Bonn, Germany's United Nations City and home to the GWOPA secretariat

Thank you for your interest in attending the 5th Global WOPs Congress. In this logistic note, you will find information to help you plan your trip to Bonn. Should you have any additional queries, please get in touch with us at unhabitat-gwopa@un.org.

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General Information

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Registration

Registration is now open by filling out the [online form](#).

Venue

World Conference Centre Bonn
Platz der Vereinten Nationen 2
53113 Bonn, Germanyat
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The floorplans of the venue can be found on the venue website:

[Main Building — World Conference Center Bonn](#).

The venue is at 5-minute walking distance from the metro (U-Bahn 66, 16/63) station “Heussallee/Museumsmeile” via regional trains from Cologne or Koblenz station “UN Campus” and bus station “Deutsche Welle”.

Check the [SWB Bus und Bahn App](#) for easy and environmentally friendly mobility in Bonn. If booking via the local platform [Bonn-region.de](#) public transport is already included in your rates.

Also, other options include cycling (15 min from the city center, [NextBike-Sharing](#), and e-Scooters available) or walking (45 min) along the Rhine.

World CC Bonn Map ([Download a PDF version](#)).

Before you arrive in Bonn

Information on Bonn

The city of Bonn has a history dating back more than 2,000 years to a Roman settlement. It is beautifully located on the banks of the Rhine River, in the middle of the densely populated Rhine/Ruhr-Region (state of North Rhine-Westphalia). It has served as the capital of the Federal Republic of Germany for five decades and still is home to ministries and governmental institutions. Bonn is part of an excellent science region with universities, research institutes, and academic networks. It is home to many museums and cultural institutions, including the famous Beethoven House, which celebrates the life and work of the renowned composer Ludwig van Beethoven. The city is also known for its beautiful parks, gardens, and scenic views of the Rhine Valley.

You can learn more about Bonn on international.bonn.de and Bonn-region.de

Passport and Visa Information

If, as a delegate or participant entering Germany, you come from a country out of the European Union (EU citizens may enter with their national identity card), you must have a valid passport and, depending on your country of origin, a valid visa.

While GWOPA will provide a visa application support letter, you are responsible for applying at your own expense if you do not have a valid visa. In addition to the visa application, please contact the nearest German embassy or consulate. For more information, visit the following link – [Visa information](#) – Federal Foreign Office.

Please take into consideration that the application process will take several weeks. Therefore, we advise you to apply for your visa at your earliest convenience. For your Visa application support letter, please contact ashmeet.kharbanda@un.org.

Travel Insurance

It is advised that you have travel insurance that would cover your stay in Bonn. GWOPA will not take responsibility for the medical, accident, and travel insurance, for compensation for death or disability, for loss of or damage to personal property, and for any other costs or losses that may be incurred during travel time or the period of participation.

Accommodation

There are many hotels available in Bonn, offering various prices. You can book a hotel room via this link - [Bonn und Region - 5th Global WOP Congress \(bonn-region.de\)](https://www.bonn-region.de). Every guest who books a hotel room via this link will automatically receive a free ticket for local public transport, which is valid for the entire duration of your booking (day of arrival up to and including the day of departure) and is valid on the entire VRS network. If you arrive at Cologne/Bonn-Airport, please be aware that a rapid-bus supplement will be charged for the airport bus (ticket machine or cash inside).

Please remember to print your hotel confirmation at home before arriving in Bonn. Also, please consider printing out the public transportation ticket that you will receive upon completing the hotel reservation. If you need further assistance with hotel bookings, e.g., booking more than three rooms, please contact the reservation team: bonnhotels@bonn-region.de or +49 (0)2 28/ 910 41 33.

Currency

The currency used in Germany is Euro (€). Therefore, carrying cash is highly recommended to make your travels easier within Germany. While credit cards are becoming more widely accepted, some restaurants and shops still only accept German EC Cards, and you may need to pay in cash on several occasions.

Traveling from the airport to the venue

Overview

Bonn can be reached through three international airports: 1) Cologne/Bonn, 2) Frankfurt/Main, and 3) Düsseldorf. Please be aware that the train ticket should be purchased before you board the train; boarding without a ticket will be charged double the fare, with a minimum fine of €60.

Arriving from Cologne/Bonn Airport

Taxi

Taxi from Cologne/Bonn Airport to the venue (approx. €70).

Bus

You can take the Airport Express Bus SB 60 from Cologne/Bonn Airport to Bonn Central Station (Bonn Hauptbahnhof). From Bonn Central Station, you can take the bus 610 and 611 to the venue (Deutsche Welle stop). For tickets and connections for the express bus and for traveling inside Bonn, please refer to this link - [English - Stadtwerke Bus und Bahn \(swb-busundbahn.de\)](https://www.swb-busundbahn.de).

Arriving from Frankfurt/Main Airport

Tram (subway)

The AIRail Terminal in the airport is close to Terminal 1. Trains arrive and depart from platforms 4 to 7. Should you arrive at Terminal 2, then you need to take the Skyline. For the train, you need to have either a valid Rail & Fly ticket or you need to purchase a separate train ticket from DB Bahn. The train ticket should be bought before you travel and can be booked here www.bahn.com/en

For more information about Frankfurt/Main airport, please visit - [Flughafen Frankfurt \(frankfurt-airport.com\)](https://www.frankfurt-airport.com).

Arriving from Düsseldorf Airport

Tram (subway)

If you have a Rail & Fly ticket, you can connect to Cologne/Bonn airport. If you arrive in Düsseldorf without further connections, please buy a separate train ticket from DB Bahn. Train tickets are available either at the train station itself or online here: www.bahn.com/en

You can take the Sky Train from the airport terminal to the train station (10 minutes). Buy a train ticket to Bonn Hauptbahnhof (Bonn Central Station). Tickets are available at the Airport train station.

For more information on Düsseldorf airport, please visit:

www.duesseldorf-international.de

From Bonn Central Station (Bonn Hauptbanhof) to the venue

Tram (subway)

You can take the subway (U-Bahn) line 16, 63, or 66 towards Bad Godesberg or Bad Honnef/Königswinter. Please get off at Heussallee/Museumsmeile station and follow the signs towards Bundeshaus/World Conference Center Bonn. It is only 5 minutes walking distance. From Heussallee/Museumsmeile, walk straight for about 250 meters and then turn left onto Platz der Vereinten Nationen.

Bus

You can take bus number 610 or 611 from Bonn Central Bus Station (just opposite Bonn Central Station) and get off at the bus stop Deutsche Welle/Heussallee. Turn left onto Platz der Vereinten Nationen.

Taxi

The fare for a 10-minute taxi ride to the WCCB (Platz der Vereinten Nationen 2) from Bonn city center and the central station is around €10. Taxi services can be found at: www.taxibonn.de, Tel: +49 (0) 228 55 55 55, E-Mail: info@taxibonn.de

At the Global WOPs Congress venue

Wi-Fi and adapters

Wi-Fi will be provided in the conference venue.

The adapters used in Germany are 220V sockets. We suggest you bring Type C adapters to use your electronic devices.

Security

To guarantee the safety of all conference attendees, the organizers enforce security measures in all conference areas: You must wear your badge at all times inside the venue. It is strictly prohibited to lend your badge to another participant. It's advisable to carry some form of identification with you at all times; you need to present your ID when entering the conference venue.

Additional Information

Weather

Weather in Bonn in May is very pleasant in springtime, with the average maximum daytime temperature around 18.6°C or 65.48°F. However, the average minimum temperature is around 8.8°C or 47.84°F.

Telephones and time zone

Central European Summer Time (CEST) is the standard time in Germany.
The international country code for Germany is +49.

Important phone numbers

Police: 110
Fire brigade: 112
Emergency doctor: 116117
Ambulance: 112
Emergency pharmacy: 0800 002 28 33 from a landline or 22 8 33 from a mobile
Telephone information service: 11833 (national) Tel: 11834 (international).

Out-of-hours medical care

If you require medical assistance out-of-hours (e.g., if you are unwell but not in need of an ambulance), you can go directly to a hospital or try to contact a GP. Not having office hours, the medical doctors usually have an answering machine message giving the contact details of the on-call doctor.

Alternatively, you can call 116 117 for a non-emergency doctor on call. This number works all over Germany. The helpline is open round the clock, including evenings, weekends, and **public holidays**. You can also visit the **116117 website** for a local surgery offering emergency services.

Emergency pharmacies

If you urgently need medication or a **prescription**, you can find an emergency pharmacy by calling 0800 002 28 33 from a **landline** or 22 8 33 from a **mobile** (calls cost up to 69 cents per minute). You can also check online for the nearest pharmacy at **www.apotheken.de**

Hospital and doctors

The nearest hospital is Johanniter Hospital.

Address: Johanniterstraße 3-5, 53113 Bonn

Tel: 0228 5430

Alternatively, you can find doctors and emergency examinations via the [Doctolib app](#).

More information on doctors in Bonn (English) can be found on [Bonn.de](#).

Welcome to Bonn

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