



WELCOME TO OSLO – PRACTICAL INFORMATION

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) expert meeting on communications

Feb. 9-10, 2016

BEFORE YOU LEAVE

Clothing:

We hope Oslo will show itself from its best side but please keep in mind that Oslo can be very cold in February. It can easily be -10 C or more. January has been cold so far, with snow on the ground. We recommend bringing proper winter clothes – i.e. a warm winter jacket and winter shoes. For the latest update on the weather, you can see this site:

<http://www.yr.no/place/Norway/Oslo/Oslo/Oslo/long.html>

Currency

Euro is not used in Norway. The Norwegian currency is Norwegian Kroner (NOK). 1 NOK is divided into 100 øre (cents).

10 NOK = approx. 1.04 EUR

10 NOK = approx.. 1.13 USD

We recommend using credit/debit cards – 98 per cent of shops and service facilities will accept cards. For more information, and where to exchange currency, please see this site:

<http://www.visitoslo.com/en/oslo/practical-information/currency/>

ARRIVAL

Getting from Oslo Airport (OSL) to the hotels

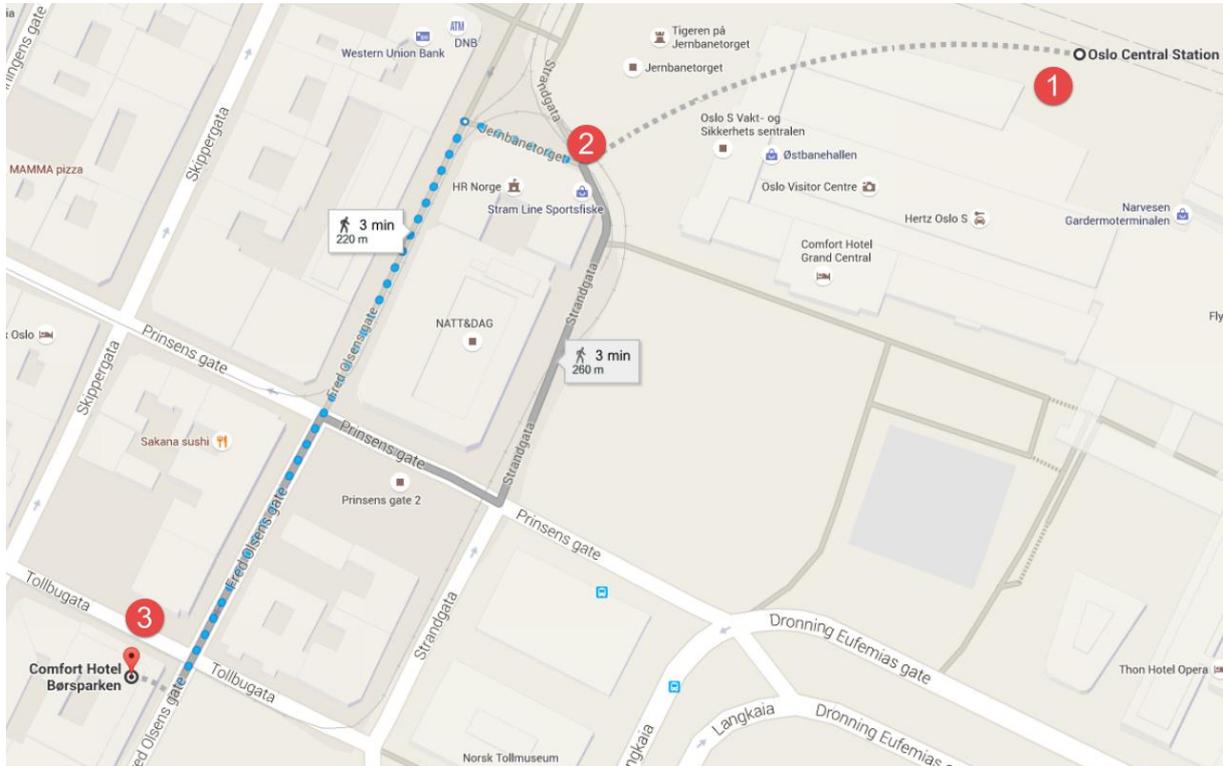
The Airport Express Train takes you from OSL (airport) to Oslo S (“Oslo Central Station” in English, and “Jernbanetorget (Oslo S)” in Norwegian). You find the Airport Express Train station inside the airport terminal (to your far right when exiting the luggage area). You can pay your ticket by credit card or cash. If you do not need a receipt, the simplest option is to swipe your card in the card reader at the station before boarding and select your destination. There is no need to swipe your card again on arrival. If you need a receipt the easiest way is to buy the ticket from the vending machines, there is also a ticket counter. The express train has free Wi-Fi, no password is required. Please note that it takes twice the time and is very expensive to travel from OSL (airport) to downtown Oslo by taxi.

Getting from Oslo Airport directly to the Norwegian Environment Agency (and return)

If you want to go directly from the airport to the meeting venue, we advise using the Airport Express Bus. It takes about 30 minutes, and stops about 150 metres from the Agency. Get off at the Helsfyr station, pass the “Narvesen” kiosk, look straight ahead and you will see the red brick building with the “Miljødirektoratet” logo on top of the building (Address: Grensesvingen 7.) For return from Helsfyr to the airport, you need to cross the highway by walking through the metro tunnel at Helsfyr.

Getting to Comfort Hotel Børsparken

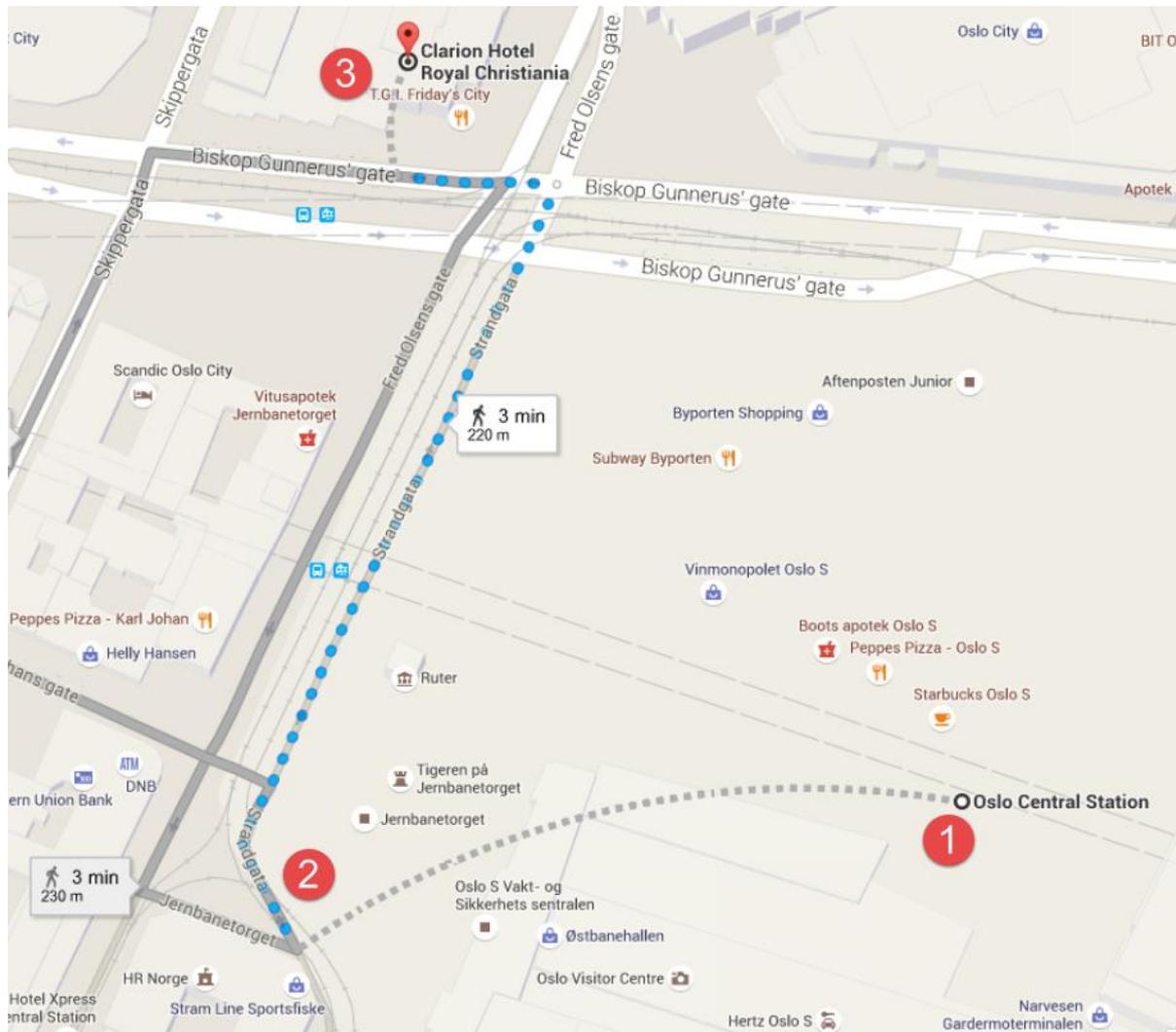
When exiting the Oslo Central Station, please exit through the main doors and keep to your left and walk towards Fred Olsens gate which will take you to your hotel. See map below:



The hotel (and hotel guests) can be contacted on +47 22 47 17 17. You find more information and contact details on <https://www.nordicchoicehotels.com/comfort/comfort-hotel-borsparken/>

Getting to Clarion Hotel Royal Christiania

When leaving the station please exit through the main doors and keep to your right, walk towards Strandgata. See map below:



The hotel (and hotel guests) can be contacted on + +47 23 10 80 00 You find more information and contact details on: <https://www.nordicchoicehotels.com/clarion/clarion-hotel-royal-christiania/>

DURING YOUR STAY

Meals

Breakfast: Your hotel room rate includes a breakfast buffet, please check when breakfast is served upon check-in.

Lunch is served at the Norwegian Environment Agency. There will be warm lunch, at least one vegetarian option each day.

Dinner: Dinner on Feb. 9 will be served at the Ski Museum.

Transport within the city

Both Comfort Hotel Børsparken and Clarion Hotel Royal Christiania are located close to the **metro station “Jernbanetorget (Oslo S)”** in downtown Oslo. You can easily reach the meeting venue (Miljødirektoratet) by metro from Oslo S/Jernbanetorget. Metro lines 1, 2, 3, and 4 (eastbound) stop at the Helsfyr station.

Metro tickets can be bought at kiosks (Narvesen, 7-eleven, Deli de Luca, etc.) all over the city, or at vending machines at the metro stations. For more information, go to www.trafikannten.no. Tickets for the metro are valid for one hour and are also valid on buses, trams, trains and boats within the city borders. You need a ticket for Zone 1 to go to the venue.

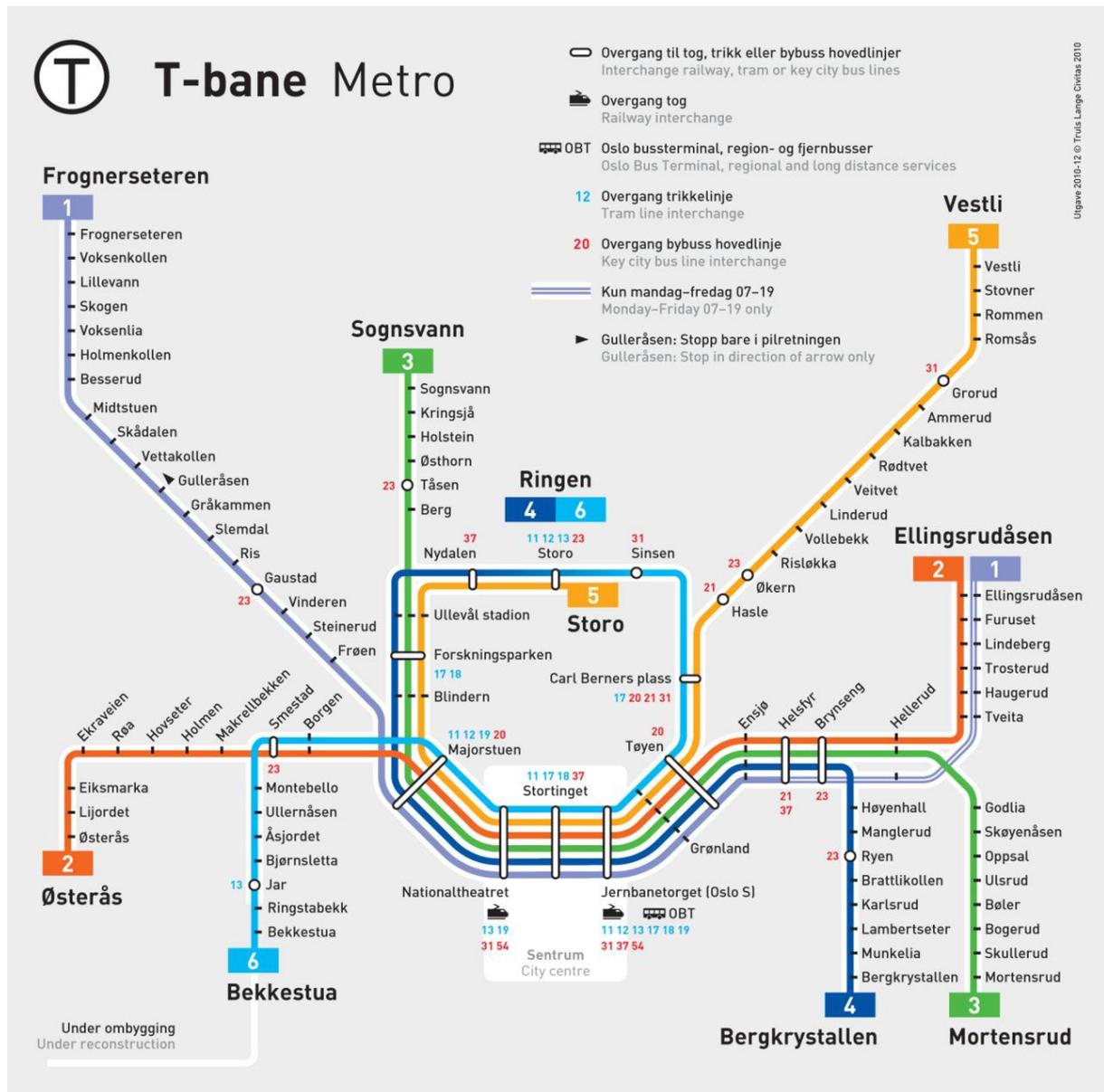
Exit the metro at **Helsfyr station** to reach the meeting venue. When exiting the train, turn right towards exit “Fyrstikketorget” and make passage through the underground station. When you reach street level, you will see the Norwegian Environment Agency about 100 metres straight ahead. (Walk along the street where there’s a tall building being renovated on the left hand side, then cross the road at the traffic lights.) The address is Grensesvingen 7.

When returning to the city centre, you exit at the metro station “Jernbanetorget (Oslo S)”.



Miljødirektoratet (Norwegian Environment Agency) building.

T-bane Metro



AT THE MEETING VENUE

Registration

You will be registered in advance, as long as you have provided the necessary details to the IPCC through the survey <http://goo.gl/forms/4L5ksKqr1s> Upon arrival, pick up your name tag, which includes information on accessing Wi-Fi. Power outlets for PCs are provided in the conference hall.

Facilities at the venue

- Free coffee, tea and water, Wi-Fi, copying and printing
- Power outlets (Europlug, 220/230 V, see <http://qoscandinavia.about.com/od/norwa1/f/eleoutletnorway.htm>)

Sightseeing:

If you will have a little bit of time to enjoy our city, we recommend <http://www.visitoslo.com/en/> where you can plan and do research for your sightseeing. We are also happy to provide our knowledge about the city and our favorite spots, either via e-mail before you arrive or on the spot.

Contact details

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We are looking forward to seeing you in Oslo!

