GETTING AROUND – UNICA IRO, OSLO 2011

To/From Airport (s):

Oslo Airport Gardemoen (OSL):

Oslo Airport Gardemoen (OSL) is Norway's main airport, approx. 47 km north of Oslo. From this airport you can travel to Oslo city centre by train, bus or taxi.

Train: The Aiport Express Train takes approx. 20 minutes from the airport to Oslo S, the main train station situated in Oslo city centre. Departs every 10 minutes from Oslo S/Oslo airport and costs 170 NOK one way. More information: http://www.flytoget.no/eng/

Every seocnd train departing from the airport will stop at the Nationaltheateret station which is the closest station for those of you staying at the hotels Best Western, Karl Johan and Clarion Savoy.

Bus: The Airport Express Coach (SAS Flybuss) runs between Oslo city centre and Oslo Airport every 20 minutes every day. Fare: 140 NOK one way. More information: http://www.flybussen.no/oslo/index.asp?lang=ENG

Taxi: If you want to take a taxi from the Airport, we recommend you go to the taxi information desk in the Arrivals Hall. The taxi information desk has information about the different companies' fixed rates to different destinations in Norway. They can also book a taxi for you. The taxi rank is immediately outside the Arrivals Hall. You can usually find a taxi from most taxi companies there.

Airport website: http://www.osl.no/en/osl

Sandefjord Airport Torp:

Sandefjord Airport Torp is located approx. 110 km south of Oslo. You can reach Oslo by bus, train or car. Please see

http://www.torp.no/Pages/Artikkel.aspx?pkMenu=131&pksMenu=143&Language=EN for detailed transport information.

Moss Airport Rygge:

Moss Airport Rygge is situated southeast of Oslo, approx. one hour ride by bus/train. Please see http://www.en.ryg.no/kat/00009.asp for more information.

Hotels:

1. Thon Hotel Spectrum: http://www.thonhotels.com/hotels/countrys/norway/oslo/thon-hotel-spectrum/

Arriving with train at the Central Train Station: Go to the eastern exit and cross the bridge towards the bus terminal. Go down the steps and round Oslo Spektrum (large round concert hall building). The hotel is on the opposite side Oslo Spektrum – across from Cafe Con Bar.

Arriving by bus: Oslo Bussterminal is the nearest bus stop. Then follow the same instructions as arriving by rail to find the hotel.

Nearest Underground / Metro / Subway (T-Bane) station: Jernbanetorget

2. Best Western, Karl Johan:

http://book.bestwestern.com/bestwestern/productInfo.do?propertyCode=73113

Arriving at the Nationaltheateret Station (recommended): turn left out of the main entrance, then right at Karl Johans gate. Follow this street until you find the hotel on your left hand side:

Arriving at the Central Station (Oslo S): Use the main entrance at the front of the station. Karl Johan Street is straight ahead. Follow this street until you reach the hotel on your right hand side (number 33).

Arriving by bus: at the main bus terminal, make your way through to the train station and follow the instructions above.

Nearest Underground / Metro / Subway (T-Bane) station: Nationaltheateret

3. Clarion Savoy: <a href="http://www.choicehotels.no/choice/en/oslo-hotel-clarion collection-no-hotel-clarion c

Arriving at the Nationaltheateret Station (recommended): turn left out of the main entrance, then right at Karl Johans gate. Follow this street and turn left into Universitetsgata (by Hard Rock Café).). Follow this street until you reach the hotel (number 11):

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dKtujACF9cagwsA9ODA&hl=no&mra=ltm&dirflg=w&sll=59.915275,10.734395&sspn=0.0037,0.009602&ie=UTF8&ll=59.91608,10.73493&spn=0.0037,0.009602&z=17&via=1

Arriving at the Central Train Station: Use the main entrance at the front of the station. Karl Johan Street is straight ahead. Follow this street until you reach Universitetsgata on your right hand side (by Hard Rock Café). Follow this street until you reach the hotel (number 11).

Arriving by bus: at the main bus terminal, make your way through to the train station and follow the instructions above.

Nearest Underground / Metro / Subway (T-Bane) station: Nationaltheateret

University of Oslo Campus (Blindern):

Underground / **Metro** / **Subway:** You will find underground railway stations by looking for white signs with a blue encircled T ("T-bane" in Norwegian).

All lines stop at Nationaltheateret (west bound), which is closest to the buildings in Karl Johans gate. To get to the University campus at Blindern choose west bound line 3 Songsvann, 4 Ringen or 5 Storo to Blindern station. The University is situated on the little hill top straight forth as you depart the train. The red brick buildings should be easy to spot. The venue for the UNICA IRO meeting will be in the main library (Georg Sverdrup's House), the large black stone and glass building straight ahead when you get to the top of the hill: http://www.uio.no/om/finn-fram/omrader/blindern/georg-sverdrups-hus/

Tram: Both line 17 Rikshospitalet and 18 Rikshospitalet will stop at Universitetet Blindern, which is at the back of the University campus on Blindern. Make your way through the north campus area and down to the library.

Nobel Peace Centre

Guided tour and seminar dinner Thursday May 5.

You will find the Nobel Peace Center in the old Vestbane building, between Oslo City Hall and the shopping areas at Aker Brygge. It is a 5 minute walk south towards the waterfront and piers from the Nationaltheateret tram and underground (T-bane) station.



Public transport in Oslo:

Oslo has a comprehensive and generally very reliable public transport system with trams (overground), buses and underground (T-bane). You can make your ticket purchase from a vending machine at the station or from any kiosk that sells Ruters public transport tickets. You can also buy your ticket onboard the bus, tram and train, however, that is more expensive.

Validating you ticket: All tickets with an exception of *the single ticket purchased onboard or* at a ticket machine needs to be validated the first time in use. Paper tickets and electronic travel cards (Flexus) are validated onboard the trams and buses by the entrance doors. For the underground/subway (T-bane), paper tickets and electronic cards must be validated before you enter the train - in the underground station area.

A *singel ticket* is valid from when you validate it and can be used for 1 hour on any means of public transport within Oslo city limits. **Price: 27 NOK** (purchased in advance) or 40 NOK (when purchased directly from the driver)

A *flexi card* has 8 stamps that each can be used for one hour within Oslo after validating. **Price: 200 NOK**

A **24 hour ticket** is available as a papir ticket or electronic ticket (Flexus) and valid for 24 hours from the time it is validated/activated. **Price: 70 NOK**

The **7-day ticket** is of good value if you are traveling several times within one week. The ticket is available on the electronic travel card (Flexus) and needs to be validated when using it the first time and will be valid to the same time 7 days later. **Price: 210 NOK**

Participants staying over in Oslo for the weekend should check out the **Oslo Pass**, a combined public transport travel card and entrance card to museums and sights: http://trafikanten.no/en/Tickets/Oslo-Pass/

More information (ticket types, travel planner, maps etc): http://trafikanten.no/en/

Taxi:

You can hail a taxi off the street or pick one up at the many taxi ranks throughout the cities and towns - or simply phone for one yourself. You are free to choose the taxi company you want to use, you do not have to choose the car that is first in line at the rank.

All taxis in Norway accept the most common credit cards such as VISA, American Express, Diners Club, Eurocard and MasterCard. You should inform the driver at the start of the trip that payment will be done with a credit card.

Oslo Taxi: From non-Norwegian telephones, call +47 22 38 80 90 to pre-book ordinary taxis, maxi taxis and airport taxis.