
The Expert Group Meeting (EGM) on “Financing for gender equality and the empowerment of women” will take place from 4 to 7 September 2007 at Lysebu (12 P.B. 109 Holmenkollen NO-0712 Oslo, Tel +47 21-51-10-00, Fax: +47 21 -51 -10 -02). The venue is 25 minutes from the city centre.

Experts are expected to participate in a brief meeting at 4.00 pm on Monday, 3 September 2007 at the “Peisestuen” meeting room in Lysebu to register and obtain badges, get acquainted and discuss the week ahead.

The meeting will be opened at 9.30 am on 4 September, 2007 at the “Kavalersalen” meeting room in Lysebu. Other participants may register and obtain badges at the entrance of this room at 9 am, prior to the beginning of the meeting. For identification and security reasons, participants are requested to wear badges at all times during the meeting.

Experts will be accommodated at the conference centre in Lysebu. Observers are welcome to stay at the venue at their own cost. If observers wish to stay in an off-site hotel, they should make their own arrangements. For those observers not electing to stay at the venue, there is a fee involved for food and beverage service during the meeting. Please contact the Division for the Advancement of Women for details.

Information on hotels in the Oslo city centre can be found at <http://oslo.gtahotels.com/>
There are also a limited number of rooms available at the Radisson SAS Hotel for the period September 3-7.
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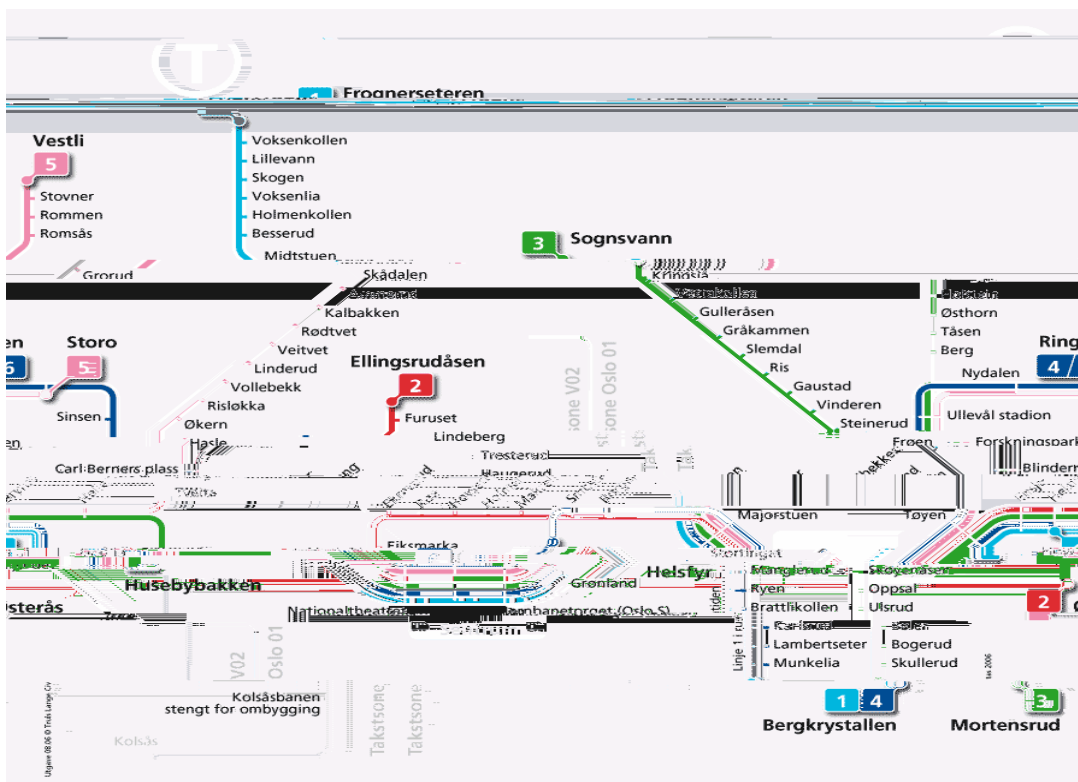
Prior to the commencement of travel, participants are requested to check with the airlines or with the consulate of Norway

asked to make the necessary arrangements as soon as possible. In case of problems, participants should inform the organizers immediately.

The United Nations assumes that participants are in good health and have no illness or disability that might prevent them from travelling to or participating in the meeting as required by the Organization. It is the responsibility of the participants to inform the United Nations of any such health impediment prior to accepting the invitation.

The Oslo International Airport is located in Gardermoen in Ullensaker, Norway, 48 km north of Oslo. A high-speed train service (Flytoget) connects the airport to the Central Station in downtown Oslo and takes approximately 20 minutes (<http://www.flytoget.no/default.aspx?id=105>). Additional information on transportation to/from the airport is available at: <http://www.visitoslo.com/en/transport-airport.52094.en.html>

Lysebu is easily reachable by car or taxi from downtown Oslo. A taxi fare would be around 250-300 Norwegian Kroner during the day and around 400 Norwegian Kroner at night. You can also take the tram (T-bane) to Lysebu (please refer to map below). You will need to take Line 1 (the Frognerseteren line) of the tram to Voksenkollen, which is about a 15-minute walk from Lysebu's entrance.



Participants are requested to bring with them to Oslo, Norway, all documents that have been distributed in advance by DAW.

Participants wishing to circulate any papers or other materials at the meeting are requested to consult with Stacy McDougall and Sibel Selcuk in the Division for the Advancement of Women in advance of the meeting.