

February 1- 4, 2010

Organisational Arrangements

Meeting Venue

The 5th work session of the Oslo City Group on Energy Statistics will take place at Jury's Hotel, Western Road, Cork, from February 1-4, 2010.

The address of the conference venue is as follows:

Jury's Hotel
Western Road
Cork
Ireland
Tel: +353 (0) 21 425 2700 (reservations)
Fax: +353 (0) 21 427 4477
Email: cork@doylecollection.com
Web: http://www.doylecollection.com/locations/cork_hotels/jurys_cork_hotel.aspx

Travel information and location of the meeting venue

Please check if you need a visa. Upon request to Sustainable Energy Ireland, an official invitation letter can be provided. The following link provides information about which nationalities require a visa <http://www.dfa.ie/home/index.aspx?id=8777> .

Transportation from Cork Airport (ORK):

Cork Airport is located approximately 4 miles (6 kms) south of Cork City. There are direct year round services to and from many destinations in UK and Europe. Regular internal flights to Dublin and Shannon connect with flights to the USA and other worldwide destinations

Taxi

The faster but also more expensive choice is to take a taxi from the airport to your hotel. The travel time to downtown is about 15 – 20 minutes and the estimated cost is €12 - €15 into the city centre. Taxis are available outside arrivals.

Bus

There are two options for bus transport from the airport – Bus Eireann and Skylink.

Bus Eireann is the national bus carrier. Timetable for buses from the airport is available from <http://www.buseireann.ie/pdf/1238682667-226.pdf> . Fare is approx €4.10.

Skylink is an independent bus operator with two routes from the airport. One route, the yellow route stops directly outside Jury's Hotel (the meeting venue). Departures every hour (see <http://www.skylinkcork.com/timetable.htm#>) and the fare is approx. €5.

ACCOMMODATION

Participants are requested to make their own travel arrangements, as well as, hotel reservations and bookings, and they are responsible for covering all related costs.

We have secured daily accommodation rates of €85 bed & breakfast single - €95 bed & breakfast twin/double room per night with Jury's Hotel (see contact details above) where the meeting is taking place. Mention the Oslo Group meeting, Central Statistics Office or Sustainable Energy Ireland to avail of the conference accommodation rate.

Jury's Hotel is a convenient (and reasonably priced) option. You also get full access to their leisure centre and 24 hour access to the business centre.

Alternatively also situated right next door to the meeting venue is Lancaster Lodge (<http://www.lancasterlodge.com/>). If you mention Sustainable Energy Ireland or Oslo Group when booking they can give a room only rate of €65 per night (single or double occupancy), a single occupancy room rate with breakfast of €75, and double occupancy room rate with breakfasts of €85.

Additional information on staying in Cork can be found at <http://tourism.cometocork.ie/index.php/where-to-stay/where-to-stay/>

Getting around Cork

Cork is a small city and the venue is located close to the city centre so most places are within walking distance.

Public transport is bus only. See <http://www.buseireann.ie/bubble.php?id=59#cork> for details.

Taxis are freely available throughout the city centre.

OTHER INFORMATION

Time and Currency:

In Cork, time zone is Greenwich Mean Time.

Ireland's currency is the Euro.

Exchange rate information can be sourced at: <http://www.xe.com/ucc/convert.cgi>

Climate:

The average temperature in Cork in February is about 5 degrees Celsius and can be (most probably will be) wet. Come prepared for rain.

Met Éireann

<http://www.met.ie/default.asp>

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OTHER SOURCES OF INFORMATION

The following websites may provide more general information about the Central Statistics Office and Sustainable Energy Ireland and Cork:

General Information:

Central Statistic Office www.cso.ie

Sustainable Energy Ireland www.sei.ie

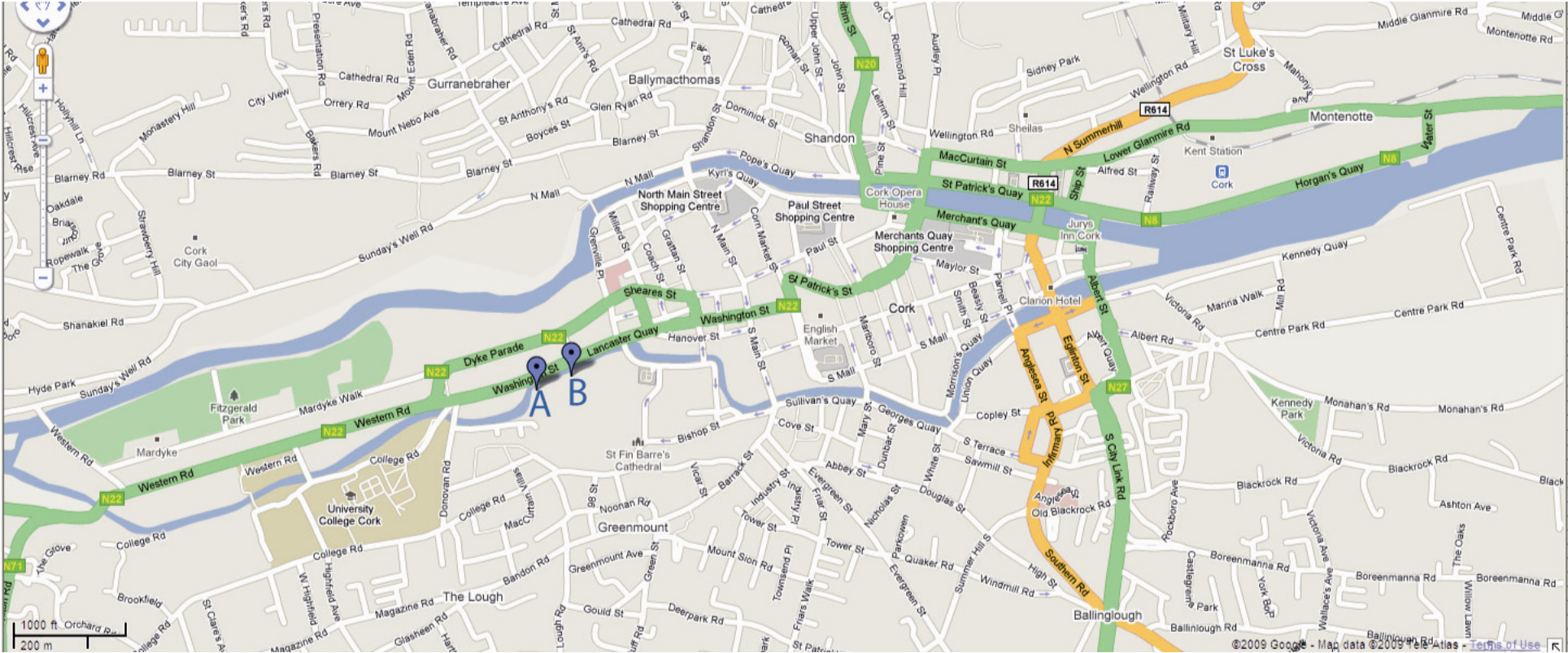
Info on Ireland and Cork:

http://www.ireland.com/cork/?cmpid=ppc_goog_cork_09

<http://www.cometocork.ie/>

<http://www.irishexaminer.ie/breakingnews/ireland/cork-named-as-one-of-worlds-top-tourist-cities-432732.html> (this refers to Corks recent inclusion in the Lonely Planets Guide to the Top 10 Tourist destinations)

Cork City Centre and Location of Meeting Venue (Jury's Hotel):



- A – Jury's Hotel and Meeting Venue**
- B – Lancaster Lodge**