

## **OSLO city Group 11th Meeting in Stockholm, Sweden 08-11 May 2017**

### **Organisational Arrangements**

#### **Meeting venue**

Meeting will be held at Stockholm, Sweden. We will provide more info before January.

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#### **Coffee and lunch**

Morning coffee/tea, lunch and coffee at afternoon will be included on each of the days of the meeting.

#### **Accommodation**

You will find accommodation alternatives on the Stockholm tourist information website: <http://www.visitsweden.com/sweden>

Visitors of Swedish Energy Agency have stayed overnight for example at the following hotels: Scandic Park Hotel, Clarion Sign Hotel, Stockholm Waterfront, Hotel Diplomat, Seregel Plaza, Sheraton, Radisson Blue Strand, Elite hotel Plaza, Clarion Collection Hotell Tapto . All located in the city centre and close by a metro station.

#### **Transportation**

Arlanda International Airport is located around 45 kilometres north of Stockholm. Bus and taxi stands are situated directly outside the Arrivals Hall. Some of the hotels have their own pick up buses and taxis. Don't forget to ask when you book your hotel.

##### **1. By train**

From Arlanda-International airport to the city centre use Arlanda express 20 minutes of environmental free journey. Tickets are bought in arlanda express machines for one way ticket price 280 SEK and two way ticket 560 SEK. The ticket is valid in one month. If you buy ticket on board they charge you 100 SEK extra.

[www.arlandaexpress.com](http://www.arlandaexpress.com)

## 2. By bus

Flygbussarna are, a frequent bus service, operates between the airport and Stockholm City Terminal next to the central railway station. The drive takes approximately 40 minutes. Major credit cards are accepted.

<http://www.flygbussarna.se/en>

## 3. By Taxi

A regular private taxi rides from Arlanda to the city costs 360- 470 SEK. Taxi drivers accept major credit cards and do not expect tips. Remember to ask the driver for the fixed price to Stockholm city. It takes 40 minutes. Recommendation use only big firms such as Taxi 020, Taxi Stockholm and Taxi Kurir.

## 4. By Metro

The easiest way to get to all shops, events, museum, galleries and so on is to take the metro or with map go walking.

<http://sl.se/en/>

## **Visa arrangements**

Participants who require visa to Sweden, are to make their own arrangements for issuance of entry visa.

If an invitation from Swedish Energy Agency to conference is required, please contact by e-mail: [Niklas.Notstrand@energimyndigheten.se](mailto:Niklas.Notstrand@energimyndigheten.se).

At the Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs website you can find information about the countries that require visa to enter Sweden. For obtaining a visa, you must request it through the embassy or consulate-general of Sweden.

<http://www.swedenabroad.com/en-GB/>

## **Languages**

Official languages in Sweden are Swedish; however, you may expect that most people (particularly young people) have excellent knowledge of English. You should have no problems communicating in English.

## **Currency**

The currency in Sweden is the Kr (SEK), which is around 0.1 euro. Credit cards are widely accepted in Sweden. The usual banking hours are 10.00 - 16.30 from Monday to Friday. There are many cash machines (Bankomat in Swedish) where you can withdraw money with your credit card.

## **Climate**

Climate in May is the average temperature in Stockholm ranges between 10-15 C. We suggest that you bring along some warm clothing and an umbrella or a raincoat. Please see the SMHI at <http://www.smhi.se/en/>.

## **Electricity**

The electrical current in Sweden is 230V before (220V), (50Hz). Plugs and sockets are of the two-pin type commonly used in continental Europe (CEE 7/16). If your equipment requires a different voltage, you will need an electrical adapter.

## **Tap water**

All Swedish tap water is safe to drink some regions also have won world best tap water, not the region Stockholm though.

## **Tipping**

Tipping is not customary in Sweden. Service charges are included in prices. Swedish inhabitants only tip in special occasions such as if the food and services are extra ordinary.

## **Time**

The time in Sweden is one hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT + 1).

## **Strict smoking policy**

Smoking is not allowed indoors in public places, e.g. banks, department, government, stores, hospitals, public transport, public toilets, restaurants, etc.

## **Visit Stockholm - Things to see and do in Stockholm**

To read and learn more about Stockholm, please visit <http://www.visitstockholm.com/>, the official visitor's guide to Stockholm.