

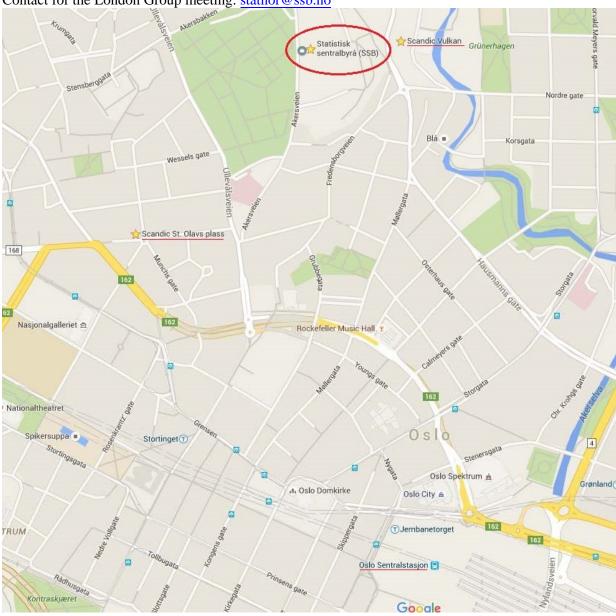
# London Group meeting in Oslo, 28-30 September 2016

# **Practical information**

# Venue

The meeting will be hosted in Statistics Norway's Oslo office:

Statistics Norway (SSB) Akersveien 26 0177 Oslo Phone: +47 62 88 50 00 Contact for the London Group meeting: statnor@ssb.no



# **Travel information**

Most airlines fly in to Oslo Airport (code - OSL), which is situated ca 50 km from the city center. The Airport Express Train runs regularly between the airport and the city for 180 NOK one-way and takes 19-22 minutes from the airport to the city centre, but less expensive alternatives as regular trains and buses are available as well.

# Airport Express Train (Flytoget)

Tickets for the Airport Express Train can be purchased together with air tickets at your travel agency. Tickets are also available at all Airport Express Train stations, at ticket counters as well as card and cash ticket vending machines, but also in the Flytoget App in AppStore or Google Play. For more information and train schedules check <u>http://www.flytoget.no/flytoget\_eng/</u>

#### Regular trains

Trains direction Oslo city centre departs regularly during the day to almost half price the Airport Express Train and travel time is only a few minutes longer. All Regional trains between Trondheim-Lillehammer-Oslo-Skien run via Oslo Airport, as well as NSB Local trains between Eidsvoll-Kongsberg. Check <u>https://www.nsb.no/en/frontpage</u> for schedules.

# SAS Airport Bus

The SAS Airport Bus runs between Oslo Airport and Oslo city centre every 20 minutes and takes about 35-40 minutes one way. During the night, departures are coordinated with arrivals. The bus stops several places in the city center. For prices and route information check <u>http://www.flybussen.no/en</u>

# Flybussekspressen

Flybussekspressen have routes around and to Oslo city centre. Check website for route planning: <u>https://www.nor-way.no/en-US/routes/our-routes/flybussekspressen</u>

#### Find your way to Statistics Norway

The busses 37, 54 and 34 will take you within 5 minutes' walk from the office when you go off at Nordahl Bruns gate (37) or Møllergata and Telthusbakken (54 and 34). For travelling with bus within the city check <u>www.ruter.no</u> for more information.

Tickets can be purchased at the kiosks Narvesen, 7-Eleven, Deli De Luca and Mix, and at Ruter's Customer Service Centre and Service Points and the bus and railway terminal in Oslo and costs NOK 32 for single ride (tickets sold on board are more expensive). Alternatively download the red Ruter-app to your phone: <u>https://ruter.no/en/buying-tickets/mobile-ticket-app/</u>, will however only work with credit cards issued from some European countries.

#### Accommodation

Statistics Norway has corporate agreements with Scandic Hotel Vulkan and Scandic Hotel St.Olavs Plass. Both are in 5-10 minutes walking distance from Statistics Norway (see the map)

For the London Group Meeting, reservations made before 1 August will be guaranteed Statistics Norway's corporate rate at NOK 1037 for standard room. Bookings should then be made directly at the hotel's webpage using the policy number D000033252 in the "add booking code"-box on the reservation page. Later reservations may also get the discounted rate, but without the guaranteed available rooms.

Scandic Hotel Vulkan:	https://www.scandichotels.com/hotels/norway/oslo/scandic-
	vulkan?_ga=1.84950937.1230924901.1459253730
Scandic Hotel St.Olavs Plass:	https://www.scandichotels.com/hotels/norway/oslo/scandic-
	stolavsplass?_ga=1.84950937.1230924901.1459253730

Alternative accommodation could be any hotel in the city center.

For updates on the weather check <u>www.yr.no</u> For more information about visiting Oslo: <u>www.visitoslo.no</u>

Visa

Most travelers from outside the EU/EEA will need a visa for visits to Norway. You may consult the Norwegian Immigration Authorities for visa information: <u>https://www.udi.no/en/want-to-apply/visit-and-holiday/?resetguide=1</u>

We recommend to start the process as early as possible in order to obtain the visa in due time and participants to the London Group Meeting who needs a visa may contact the organization committee at <u>statnor@ssb.no</u> for a personalized invitation letter.