I. MEETING VENUE

1. At the invitation of Statistics Norway, the meeting will be held at the Oslo Kongressenter, Sal D, Oslo, Norway, from 24 to 26 September 2012.

2. The address of the conference venue is:

   Oslo Kongressenter Folkets hus BA
   Youngsgate 11
   0181 Oslo

   Tel +47 9070 9999
   F +47 2306 1009
   www.kongressenter.no

3. The conference room has the usual technical equipment (presentation computer, beamer, etc.) as well as wi-fi connection. Access to power outlets can be arranged (please contact in advance). Wall plugs are the standard euro plug (Type C & F), 200V, 50-60 Hz (as e.g. in Germany, the Netherlands, Spain, etc.).

II. GENERAL INFORMATION

Currency

4. The Norwegian currency is the kroner (NOK). The exchange rate: 1 euro is approximately NOK 8.

Airport

5. The default airport when it comes to travelling to and from Oslo, is "Oslo airport Gardermoen (OSL)". Notice, however, that there are also two other airports for Oslo: there is one at Torp outside Sandefjord (TRF) and one at Rygge outside Moss (RYG). Buses, usually connected with the flights, run between both of these two airports and Oslo Bussterninalen (central bus station just beside the central railway station). The travel time is longer than that between Gardemoen and Oslo.
Travelling from Oslo airport Gardermoen (OSL) to Oslo

6. The airport express train leaves every 10 minutes and takes only 19 or 21 minutes to Oslo Central Station ("Oslo S"). An alternative is the regular train (NSB) leaving about twice each hour. The regular train takes 26 or 37 minutes to Oslo Central station. To find the train at the airport: after going through the customs (green or red sign), while still inside the airport building, take right and walk for about 60-80 meters. Then the airport arrival zone divides into two parts:

(i) The right part is for the airport express train. All airport express train go to Oslo Central Station. To take this train, you can just swipe your visa card and walk onto the train, and get the receipt on www.flytoget.no when you come home. Alternatively you can use the airport express ticket machine (orange/grey colour) or the counter. The price is NOK 170 for one way. (You will have to pay a bit more than that if you buy the ticket at the counter.)

(ii) The left part is the regular train (NSB). Then you buy a ticket on the NSB ticket machine (red colour) or the counter, the price is NOK 88 for one way.

7. When you arrive at Oslo Central station, there is just a short walking distance to any of the hotels mentioned below (10 minutes or less), and only eight minutes walking distance to the venue “Oslo Kongressenter”. The venue is north of Oslo Central Station.

8. There are also various buses running frequently to and from Oslo. SAS operates the so-called “SAS flybussen” between Oslo Bussterminalen and Gardemoen, with departures from Gardemoen 40 min. after each on-time arrival flight. The price is NOK 150 for one way.

Tourist information

9. Some links to useful information are provided as follows:


Two visitor information web sites are http://www.oslo.com/ and http://www.visitoslo.com/en/. Some examples of information at these web sites are:


Weather in Oslo (http://www.weatherbase.com):

- Average high temperature is 15 °C in September and 9 °C in October. Average low temperature is 7 °C and 3 °C respectively.
- Average number of days with precipitation is 20 in September and 19 in October.
- Average wind speed is 14 km/h in September and 6 km/h in October.

Estimates of costs for meals etc in Oslo can be found at http://www.numbeo.com/cost-of-living/city_result.jsp?country=Norway&city=Oslo

III. ACCOMMODATION

11. 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.

12. Statistics Norway has a hotel agreement with a number of hotels in Oslo throughout the year. Payment is made to the hotel directly. To get the agreement price, you should inquire by phone or email, where you use customer code ("SSB" for Comfort hotels, Clarion collection hotels, Thon hotels, and for Best Western Karl Johan; “Statistisk sentralbyrå” for Rica hotels) and refer to the hotel agreement.
between the hotel and "Statistisk sentralbyrå (SSB)". You should also be able to get a confirmation that you will get the room at the so-called SSB-price. All the hotels listed below have an agreement with SSB. At this time, we have however no overview over the exact SSB-prices. By visiting www.booking.com\(^1\) you can compare what the hotel price would be if booked through that website.\(^2\) Walking distances below are calculated by [http://maps.google.com/](http://maps.google.com/). A map with the conference location and the hotels listed below is provided on the last page of this document.

1. Comfort Hotel Xpress, Møllergaten 26, 0179 Oslo, Phone:+47 22 03 11 00, Fax:+47 22 03 11 11  
E-mail: co.xpress.oslo@choice.no  
Walking distance to venue: 2 minutes

2. Clarion Collection Hotel Folketeateret, Storgata 21-23, 0184 Oslo,  
Phone:+47 22 00 57 00, Fax:+47 22 00 57 01, E-mail: cc.folketeateret@choice.no  
Walking distance to venue: 3 minutes

3. Thon Hotel Terminus, Stenersgaten 10, 0104 Oslo  
Phone: +47 22 05 60 00, Fax: +47 22 17 08 98  
E-mail: terminus@thonhotels.no  
Walking distance to venue: 5 minutes

4. Rica Oslo Hotel, Europarådets Plass 1, 0154 Oslo  
Phone: (+47) 23 10 42 00, Fax: (+47) 23 10 42 01  
E-mail: rica.oslo.hotel@rica.no  
Link to web address: [https://www.rica-hotels.com/hotels/?CITY=113](https://www.rica-hotels.com/hotels/?CITY=113)  
Walking distance to venue: 6 minutes

5. Clarion Hotel Royal Christiania  
Biskop Gunnerusgate 3, 0155 Oslo  
Phone: +47 23 10 80 00, Fax: +47 23 10 80 80  
E-mail: cl.christiania@choice.no  
Walking distance to venue: 6 minutes

6. Rica Hotel G20  
Grensen 20, 0180 Oslo  
Phone: (+47) 22 01 64 00, Fax: (+47) 22 01 64 20  
E-mail: rica.hotel.g20@rica.no  
Link to web address: [https://www.rica-hotels.com/hotels/?CITY=113](https://www.rica-hotels.com/hotels/?CITY=113)  
Walking distance to venue: 7 minutes

7. Thon Hotel Astoria  
Drønningenstgate 21,0152 Oslo  
Phone: +47 24 14 55 50, Fax: +47 22 42 57 65  
E-mail: astoria@thonhotels.no  
Walking distance to venue: 8 minutes

8. Rica Travel Hotel  
Arbeidergata 4, 0159 Oslo  
Phone: (+47) 22 00 33 00, Fax (+47) 22 33 51 22

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\(^1\) Fill in destination 'Oslo’, fill in dates, number of rooms and number of adults and children, and press ‘search’.  
\(^2\) Notice that the [www.booking.com](http://wwwbooking.com) list of hotels also include hotels where SSB has no hotel agreement.
9. **Comfort Hotel Grand Central**, Oslo (is opening in April 2012)
   Jernbanetorget 1, 0154 Oslo
   Phone: +47 22 40 13 00, Fax: (47) 22 40 13 10
   E-mail: co.grand.central@choice.no
   Walking distance to venue: 8 minutes

10. **Hotel Bristol**, Kristian IVs gate 7, 0164 Oslo
    Phone: +47 22 82 60 00, Fax: +47 22 82 60 01
    E-mail: post@bristol.no
    Walking distance to venue: 9 minutes

11. **Best Western Karl Johan Hotel**
    Karl Johans Gate 33, 0162 Oslo
    Phone: 23 16 17 00
    E-mail: karljohan@bestwestern.no
    Walking distance to venue: 10 minutes

12. **Clarion Collection Hotel Savoy**
    Universitetsgaten 11, 0164 Oslo
    Phone:+47 23 35 42 00, Fax:+47 23 35 42 01
    E-mail: cc.savoy@choice.no
    Walking distance to venue: 10 minutes

13. **Thon Hotel Stefan**
    Rosenkrantz’ gate 1
    0159 Oslo
    Tlf: +47 23 31 55 00
    Fax: +47 23 31 55 55
    E-mail: stefan@thonhotels.no
    Walking distance to venue: 10 minutes

14. **Comfort Hotel Børsparken**
    Tollbugaten 4, 0152 Oslo
    Phone:+47 22 47 17 17, Fax:+47 22 47 17 18
    E-mail: co.borsparken@choice.no
    Walking distance to venue: 10 minutes

15. **Thon Hotel Munch**, Munchs gate 5, 0165 Oslo
    Phone: +47 23 21 96 00, Fax: +47 23 21 96 01
    E-mail: munch@thonhotels.no
    Walking distance to venue: 10 minutes
VI. CONTACTS

19. For further information, please contact the following organizers:

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Map of conference venue and hotels in Oslo

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