

**Arrangements for the High-Level Policy Dialogue on the theme “Coping with today’s global challenges in the context of The Strategy of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification”
Bonn, Germany, 27 May 2008**

Information for participants

The United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) High-Level Policy Dialogue (HLPD) will be held on 27 May 2008 in Bonn, Germany. The present document contains general information which may be helpful to participants.

1. Secretariat

The head of the secretariat is Mr. Luc Gnacadja, Executive Secretary of the Convention secretariat.

The secretariat can be reached at the following address:

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P. O. Box 260 129
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53113 Bonn, Germany
Tel. no.: + 49 228 815 28 00
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E-mail: secretariat@unccd.int

2. Venue of the session

The UNCCD HLPD will be held at the UNCCD secretariat (United Nations Campus) in Bonn, Germany, at the above-mentioned address.

Information on the meeting can also be obtained at the following secretariat phone number:
+ 49 228 815 28 14.

3. Admittance to the Conference site

Some 50 Ministers and other high-ranking officials from a representative number of country Parties to the UNCCD and international institutions are invited to participate in this event. Confirmation of participation should be communicated to the UNCCD secretariat prior to the conference for registration and security purposes.

4. How to get to the Conference venue

From the Cologne-Bonn airport

The Cologne-Bonn airport is approximately 30 minutes' drive from the centre of Bonn. Participants arriving at the Cologne-Bonn airport can take a taxi or bus to Bonn city centre. Taxis are readily available; a one-way journey to the city costs between 35 and 40 euros. Bus line 670 connects the airport with Bonn's main railway station (*Hauptbahnhof*). The price for a one-way ticket to Bonn is 5.75 euros and tickets can be bought from the driver or from the ticket machine.

From the main railway station (Hauptbahnhof) in Bonn

The secretariat can be reached by underground (*U-Bahn*), lines 16, 63 and 66, travelling in the direction of Bad Godesberg, Bad Honnef and Königswinter, respectively. The stop is called *Heussallee/Museumsmeile*.

5. Hotel accommodation

Hotel booking should be made directly by participants. Reservation of hotel rooms can be made through the Bonn Tourism and Congress Office, using the following Internet link: <http://www.carisma-engine.de>

Alternatively, booking can be made by contacting the Bonn Tourism and Congress Office at:

Tourism and Congress GmbH
Region Bonn/Rhein-Sieg/Ahrweiler
Hotelreservierung
Adenauerallee 131
D-53113 Bonn, Germany
Tel. no.: + 49 180 500 33 65
Fax no.: + 49 228 910 41 77
E-mail: reservierung@bonn-region.de

In view of the fact that Bonn will host the ninth session of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity at the time of the HLPD, participants are encouraged to make their hotel reservations as soon as possible. A list of hotels for direct bookings is annexed.

6. Immigration formalities and customs regulations

Applications for visa issuance may be submitted, with reference to the HLPD, to the nearest German embassy or consulate. In those countries which do not have a German embassy or consulate, participants may submit their application to a German embassy or consulate in another country which covers the participant's country of origin, or the embassy or consulate of another country which provides consular services on behalf of Germany. Participants are advised to contact an embassy or consulate in good time to obtain precise information on regulations and deadlines for submission of applications. Information on customs regulations in force in Germany may be obtained from any German embassy or consulate.

7. General information about the Conference venue

Various information about the city of Bonn, including accommodation, transport and other facilities, can be found on the website: <http://www.bonn-region.de>.

Flights: Some airlines have direct flights to Cologne-Bonn and many others fly to Frankfurt or Düsseldorf. There are numerous train connections between the Frankfurt and Düsseldorf airports and Bonn.

Currency: 1 euro = approximately US\$ 1.57 (indicative rate in April 2008)

Weather: During the month of May, the average temperature in Bonn is around 15°C. Participants are recommended to bring warm clothing and an umbrella.

Electricity: 230 Volts, 50 Hertz

Local time: GMT + 01

Annex

LIST OF HOTELS IN BONN

HOTEL NAME AND ADDRESS	TEL. NO.: +49	FAX NO.: +49
ACORA, Westpreußenstr. 20-30, 53119 Bonn	(0)228/6686-0	(0)228/662020
AIGNER, Dorotheenstr. 12, 53111 Bonn	(0)228/604060	(0)228/6040670
ALTES TREPPCHEN, Endenicherstr. 308, 53121 Bonn	(0)228/625004	(0)228/621264
AM ROONPLATZ, Argelander Str. 91, 53115 Bonn	(0)228/911930	(0)228/211334
AMBER HOTEL PRESIDENT, Clemens-August Str. 32-36, 53115 Bonn	(0)228/7250-650	(0)228/7250-72
APPARTMENT VAAKUNA, Maximilianstr. 9, 53111 Bonn	(0)171/3822251	(0)2241/330480
ASTORIA, Hausdorffstr. 105-113, 53129 Bonn	(0)228/239507	(0)228/230378
AUERBERG, Kölnstr. 362, 53117 Bonn	(0)228/559930	(0)228/672933
AVALON, Breite Str. 98a, 53111 Bonn	(0)228/655057 655058	(0)228/634941
BADEN, Graurheindorfer Str. 1, 53111 Bonn	(0)228/96968-0	(0)228/96968-50
BEETHOVEN, Rheingasse 26, 53113 Bonn	(0)228/631411	(0)228/691629
BERGMANN, Kasernenstr. 13, 53111 Bonn	(0)228/633891	(0)228/635057
BRISTOL, Prinz-Albert-Str. 2, 53113 Bonn	(0)228/2698-0	(0)228/2698-222
CONSUL, Oxfordstr. 12-16, 53111 Bonn	(0)228/7292-0	(0)228/7292-250
CONTINENTAL, Am Hauptbahnhof 2-4, 53111 Bonn	(0)228/635360	(0)228/631190
DEUTSCHES HAUS, Kasernenstr. 19-21, 53111 Bonn	(0)228/633777	(0)228/659055
DOMICIL, Thomas-Mann-Str. 24-26, 53111 Bonn	(0)228/729090	(0)228/691207
EDEN-PRIVATHOTEL, Am Hofgarten 6, 53113 Bonn	(0)228/225075	(0)228/225070
HOTEL ESCHWEILER, Bonngasse 7, 53111 Bonn	(0)228/631760	(0)228/694904
EUROPA, Thomas-Mann-Str. 7, 53111 Bonn	(0)228/633063	(0)228/695357
ESPLANADE, Colmantstr. 47, 53115 Bonn	(0)228/98380-0	(0)228/98380-11
GROSS, Bonngasse 17, 53111 Bonn	(0)228/60453-0	(0)228/60453-60
HAUS DAUFENBACH, Brüdergasse 6, 53111 Bonn	(0)228/637944	(0)228/637945
HAUS HOFGARTEN, Fritz-Tillmann-Str. 7, 53113 Bonn	(0)228/223472 223482	(0)228/213902
HOLIDAY INN, Berliner Freiheit 2, 53111 Bonn	(0)228/7269-0	(0)228/7269-700
IBIS, Vorgebirgsstr. 33, 53119 Bonn	(0)228/7266-0	(0)228/7266-405
JACOBS, Bergstr. 85-87, 53129 Bonn	(0)228/53989 232822	(0)228/232850
KAISER KARL HOTEL, Vorgebirgsstr. 56, 53119 Bonn	(0)228/650933	(0)228/637899
KÖLNER HOF, Kölnstr. 502, 53117 Bonn	(0)228/671605	(0)228/679737
KÖNIGSHOF, Adenauerallee 9, 53111 Bonn	(0)228/2601-0	(0)228/2601-529
KRUG, Sternenburgerstr. 15, 53115 Bonn	(0)228/225868	(0)228/241544
KURFÜRSTENHOF, Baumschulallee 20, 53115 Bonn	(0)228/985050	(0)228/632045
LÖHNDORF, Stockenstr. 6, 53113 Bonn	(0)228/655439	(0)228/695712
MERCEDES, Maarflach 17a, 53113 Bonn	(0)228/225051	(0)228/264412
MOZART, Mozartstr. 1, 53115 Bonn	(0)228/659071 659074	(0)228/659075
PASTIS, Hatschiergasse 8, 53111 Bonn	(0)228/9694270	(0)228/96942727
RESIDENCE, Kaiserplatz 11, 53113 Bonn	(0)228/2697-0	(0)228/2697-777
RHEINLAND BONN, Berliner Freiheit 11, 53111 Bonn	(0)228/658096	(0)228/472844
RÖMERHOF, Römerstr. 20, 53111 Bonn	(0)228/604180	(0)228/633838
SAVOY, Berliner Freiheit 7, 53111 Bonn	(0)228/725970	(0)228/696899
SCHWAN, Mozartstr. 24-26, 53115 Bonn	(0)228/963030	(0)228/651793
STERNHOTEL, Markt 8, 53111 Bonn	(0)228/7267-0	(0)228/7267-125
ZUM LÖWEN, Von-Groote-Platz 1, 5300 Bonn	(0)228/355951 354951	(0)228/5288977

Bonn-Bad Godesberg

AMBASSADOR, Bonner-Str. 29-31, 53173 Bonn	(0)228/38900	(0)228/313315
AM HOHENZOLLERNPLATZ, Plitzerdorfer Str. 54-56, 53173 Bonn	(0)228-95759-0	(0)228/95759-29
AM MARKTPLATZ, Bürgerstr. 4, 53173 Bonn	(0)228/362756	(0)228/359593
APPART-HOTEL BAD GODESBERG, Schlehenweg 6, 53177 Bonn	(0)228/3290-0	(0)228/3290-13
BURGBLICK, Winterstr. 35a, 53177 Bonn	(0)228/95135-0	(0)228/95135-99
DAHL, Heideweg 9, 53343 Wachtberg-Niederb.	(0)228/341071	(0)228/345001
DALLADAS, Garni Ina, Zellerstr. 10, 53175 Bonn	(0)228/310766	(0)228/316646
EDEN, Am Kurpark 5a, 53177 Bonn	(0)228/95727-0	(0)228/362494
FLORA, Viktoriastr. 16, 53173 Bonn	(0)228/93571-0	(0)228/352402
GÄSTEHAUS DIANA, Drachenburgstr. 59-61, 53179 Bonn	(0)228/345161	(0)228/345181
GÄSTEHAUS SCHOLZ, Annetenstr. 16, 53175 Bonn	(0)228/379363	(0)228/379363
GASTHAUS DRACHENBURG, Mainzer Str. 152, 53179 Bonn	(0)228/349159	(0)228/858841
GÄSTEHAUS ANTON, Splickgasse 33, 53179 Bonn	(0)228/342069	(0)228/342018
GODESBURG, Auf dem Godesberg 5, 53177 Bonn	(0)228/316071	(0)228/311218
HAUS BERLIN, Rheinallee 40, 53173 Bonn	(0)228/353175	(0)228/361933
HAUS CHRISTEL, Friesdorfer Str. 245, 53175 Bonn	(0)228/316110	-
HOF VON HOLLAND, Turmstr. 5, 53175 Bonn	(0)228/354894	(0)228/359014
INSEL HOTEL, Theaterplatz 5-7, 53177 Bonn	(0)228/3500-0	(0)228/3500-333
KAISERHOF BEST WESTERN HOTEL, Moltkestr. 64, 53173 Bonn	(0)228/957050	(0)228/95705100
KRONPRINZEN, Rheinallee 29, 53173 Bonn	(0)228/93552-0	(0)228/93552-49
LÖWEN, Zum, Von-Groote-Platz 1, 53173 Bonn	(0)228/355951	(0)228/358438
MARITIM HOTEL, Godesberger Allee, 53175 Bonn	(0)228/8108-0	(0)228/8108-811
PARK HOTEL, Am Kurpark 1, 53177 Bonn	(0)228/363081	(0)228/354918
PATRICIA, Mirbachstr. 2a, 53173 Bonn	(0)228/83006-0	(0)228/365315
REMI, Bonner Str. 30, 53173 Bonn	(0)228/319954	(0)228/319177
RHEINHOTEL DREESEN, Rheinstr. 45-49, 53179 Bonn	(0)228/8202-0	(0)228/8202-153
RHEINLAND, Rheinallee 17, 53173 Bonn	(0)228/820000	(0)228/351177
SALSCHIEDER, Königsplatz 23, 53173 Bonn	(0)228/362895	(0)228/369019
SEBASTIANUSHOF, Waldburgstr. 34, 53177 Bonn	(0)228/95114-00	(0)228/95114-50
VIKTORIA, Viktoriastr. 33, 53173 Bonn	(0)228/820050	(0)228/8200525
ZUM ADLER, Koblenzer Str. 60, 53173 Bonn	(0)228/364071	(0)228/361933
ZUM STERN, Drachenburgstr. 68, 53179 Bonn	(0)228/348631	(0)228/348631

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DIECK'S BAUERNSTUBE, Adelheidsstr. 91, 53225 Bonn	(0)228/468571	(0)228/462074
FLORIN, Oelbergweg 17, 53227 Bonn	(0)228/975600	(0)228/461794
GARTEN-HOTEL, Siegburger Str. 107a, 53229 Bonn	(0)228/420725	(0)228/468107
MERTENS, Rheindorfer Str. 134, 53225 Bonn	(0)228/474451	(0)228/420641
OBERKASSELER HOF, Königswinterer Str. 613, 53227 Bonn	(0)228/441151	(0)228/441151
SCHLOSSHOTEL KOMMENDE RAMERSDORF, Oberkasseler Str. 10, 53227 Bonn	(0)228/440734 9709610	(0)228/444400
WILLKENS, Goetheallee 1, 53225 Bonn	(0)228/466871	(0)228/462293
ZUR ERHOLUNG, Rheinaustr. 221, 53225 Bonn	(0)228/461708	-
ZUR POST, Königswinterer Str. 309, 53227 Bonn	(0)228/97294-0	(0)228/97294-10

Bonn-Hardtberg/Röttgen

IRIS GÄSTEHAUS, Fichtenweg 8, 53125 Bonn	(0)228/252332	(0)228/250559
KLUTH, Rochusstr. 221, 53123 Bonn	(0)228/6215-31	(0)228/6215-31
KOTTENFORST, Reichsstr. 67, 53125 Bonn	(0)228/91922-0 252556	(0)228/91922-55
NETTEKOVEN, Rochusstr. 301, 53123 Bonn	(0)228/640511	(0)228/640511
NOVOTEL BONN-HARDTBERG, Max-Habermann-Str. 2, 53123 Bonn	(0)228/25990	(0)228/250893
ZUM WILDEN SCHWEIN, Rochusstr. 235, 53123 Bonn	(0)228/621037	(0)228/614721

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