

Dear Planet Diversity Participants,

Many of you are anxiously awaiting the beginning of Planet Diversity, as are we. In order to help everything go smoothly, you will find the answers to the most frequently asked logistical questions below.

1. Where will the DEMONSTRATION and FESTIVAL take place, and how do I get there?
 - a. The meeting point for the demonstration will be the “Kleine Blumenwiese” (small flower field) in the Rheinaue park along the Rhine river at 10.00 on May 12th. We will march to the Maritim Convention Center where the Biosafety Protocol delegates are gathered for our first speeches and then march back to the Kleine Blumenwiese. Here is the program: <http://www.planet-diversity.org/de/demonstration.html> . From the Bonn main train station take Tram 66 at 9.45 in the direction of Bad Honnef and get off at the stop “Rheinaue”. It will cost 2,30 € or you can use your “Kongress Ticket” that you may have received when booking your hotel. From the Cologne (Köln) main station, take the IC train at 9.18 in the direction of Lindau and get off at Bonn Hauptbahnhof. Then take Tram 66 at 9:45 to the station “Rheinau”. It will cost 6,40 €. Need a map? <http://www.planet-diversity.org/de/demonstration/lageplan.html>
 - b. The festival will also take place on the “Kleine Blumenwiese” and officially starts at 14.00. Prepare to have a lot of fun. See what awaits you here: <http://www.planet-diversity.org/festival/programme.html>
2. Where will the CONFERENCE take place, and how do I get there?
 - a. All plenary sessions and workshops will take place at the Gustav-Stresemann-Institut, Langer Grabenweg 68, 53175 Bonn-Bad Godesberg. For detailed instructions on how to get there from all major surrounding airports and train stations, please see: <http://www.planet-diversity.org/registration-and-travel-planning/travel-info.html>
3. Can I pre-register?
 - a. You can pre-register at the Planet Diversity tent at the festival on May 12, and we appreciate your doing so. There you will be able to pay your conference fee and pick up your folder and name tag. If you cannot pre-register at the festival, registration will open at the Gustav-Stresemann-Institut on Tuesday, May 13, at 7.30.
4. I am receiving funding from Planet Diversity. How do I get reimbursed for my costs?
 - a. You will have a form in your conference folder that you need to fill out. The form will also give you further instructions when and where you can meet with Shannon von Scheele to go through all of your costs. You will need to bring all of your original receipts, tickets, boarding cards etc. We can only reimburse you for valid, original receipts. You will also have an envelope with which you can mail back your last tickets and boarding passes after the conference.
5. Can I use the INTERNET at the Gustav-Stresemann-Institut?

- a. Yes. If you have a WLAN card for your laptop, then you can use the WLAN connection at the GSI for free. You can buy a USB-Stick that will allow you to access the WLAN at the reception desk for 20 €. You can also use one of the ten computers in the computer room to go on the internet.
6. How much do lunch and dinner cost at the Gustav-Stresemann-Institut?
 - a. Lunch and dinner are available for 5 € - 7 €. A la carte and vegetarian options are available.
 7. Will there be translation during the plenary sessions and other parts of the conference?
 - a. Professional, simultaneous translation in English, French, German and Spanish will be available for all plenary sessions. Translation for the information market sessions and the workshops will be informal and organized by the coordinators of the presentations/workshops.
 - b. **IMPORTANT:** In order to receive your wireless headset you will need to make a deposit. Acceptable deposits are: passport, credit card or 50 €.
 8. Where do I send my information materials? Where do I send my books that I would like to sell?
 - a. You can bring your materials or send them in advance. Please note that a book seller can sell your books for you at the conference, but will charge a 35% commission.
 - b. Information materials for the festival: Planet Diversity Office, c/o IFOAM, Charles-de-Gaulle-Str. 5, 53113 Bonn, Germany
 - c. Books to be sold at the festival and the conference: Clios Akademische Buchhandlung, Peter Böhmer, wg. Planet Diversity, Lennéstraße 6, 53113 Bonn, Germany
 - d. Free information materials for the conference: Gustav-Stresemann-Institut e.V., z.Hd. Herr Arndt, wg. Planet Diversity, Langer Grabenweg 68, D-53175 Bonn-Bad Godesberg, Germany
 - e. Your materials will be available for pick up in the conference office at GSI.
 - f. Display tables for the materials will be available at GSI on a first come first-served basis.
 9. What do I do in case I have a problem once I get to Bonn?
 - a. Planet Diversity volunteers will be at the main train station in Bonn to help you get to your hotel using the right tram, bus or taxi. Look for the Planet Diversity Posters when you arrive. You can also reach the Planet Diversity Welcoming Committee using this phone number: +49 (0)1577-7792650

- b. The CBD Secretariat will have help desks at the Cologne/Bonn airport, Cologne central station and Siegburg/Bonn to help you find a hotel or transportation. They are open Saturday, May 10th to Wednesday, May 14th from 6 am to 11 pm.
- c. If you need emergency help you can call 112 (medical/fire department) or 110 (police).

If you have missed any updates, please see <http://www.planet-diversity.org/downloads/update-to-participants.html>