

Logistics Information

Reference: [HCA Letter 01/2022](#) dated 21 February 2022

The 18th IHO Hydrographic Commission on Antarctica (HCA) Conference will take place in the city of Berlin, Germany, 24-26 May 2022.

- 1) **Due to contractual issues with the NH Collection Berlin Hotel, the location of the conference announced in Reference had to be changed.**
- 2) **Location:** The meeting will now be held at the **Dorint Kurfuerstendamm**

Augsburger Straße 41, 10789 Berlin
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- 4) **IHO point of contact (PoC):** Caroline Fontanili, caroline.fontanili@iho.int, telephone +377 93108111

5) Accommodation in Berlin:

Meeting participants are expected to make their own accommodation arrangements, **not later than 31 March 2022**. However, for convenience we have made a block booking for 25 rooms at the Dorint Kurfuerstendamm please use the promo code **HCA18** when booking via telephone +49 30 800 999 25 and / or email reservierung.berlin@dorint.com

Dorint Kurfuerstendamm (<https://hotel-berlin.dorint.com/en>)

| Date | Room Type | Nr. of Rooms | Rate EUR per night | Breakfast |
|-------------------|-------------------------|--------------|--|-----------|
| 23.5 – 27.5. 2022 | Comfort room 38-44m2 | 25 | 149€/ sgl occupancy 169€/ dbl occupancy | Included |

6) Local transportation:

You may find information about the transport connections to and from BER Airport by car, Airport Express, S-Bahn, regional train and bus on this link:

<https://www.berlin.de/en/public-transportation/2021627-2913840-transport-links-airport-berlin-brandenbu.en.html>

7) Lunch during meeting days:

Coffee breaks and lunch will be provided to all participants over the meeting period. An ice-breaker is planned on Monday 23 May (see Reference).

8) Information on the city of Berlin:

Official currency in Germany and Berlin is **the Euro**. ATMs are widely available, and credit cards are accepted almost everywhere.

Some general information can be found here <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Berlin>

Weather

Berlin lies where the influence of the Atlantic Ocean fades and the climate of the continental plain begins. The city's mean annual temperature is about 48 °F (9 °C), and mean temperatures range from 30 °F (-1 °C) in winter to 65 °F (18 °C) in summer. The average precipitation is 22 inches (568 mm). About one-fifth to one-fourth of the total falls as snow.

9) Passports and visas:

All meeting participants should check well in advance whether you need a visa to enter Germany and apply within the necessary timeframe. If you need a letter of invitation to support your visa application, please send to the PoC above at your earliest convenience.

10) Plugs and voltage:

All power sockets in Berlin provide a standard voltage of 230V with a standard frequency of 50Hz. You can use all your equipment in Berlin if the outlet voltage in your own country is between 220V-240V. This is the case in most of Europe, Australia, the United Kingdom and most countries in Africa and Asia.

