

2015 OECD-IOPS Global Forum
“Pension Trends and the Changing Supervisory Landscape”
29-30 October 2015, Berlin, Germany

Information Note for Participants

Organisation

The OECD-IOPS Global Forum organised by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), International Organisation of Pension Supervisors (IOPS) and the Federal Financial Supervisory Authority (BaFin) will take place on 29-30 October 2015 in Berlin, Germany.

Registration

Please note that participation is by invitation only. Those invited to register, please do so by filling out the registration form and sending it by email to the contact person that appears at the end of the registration form **by 14 August 2015**.

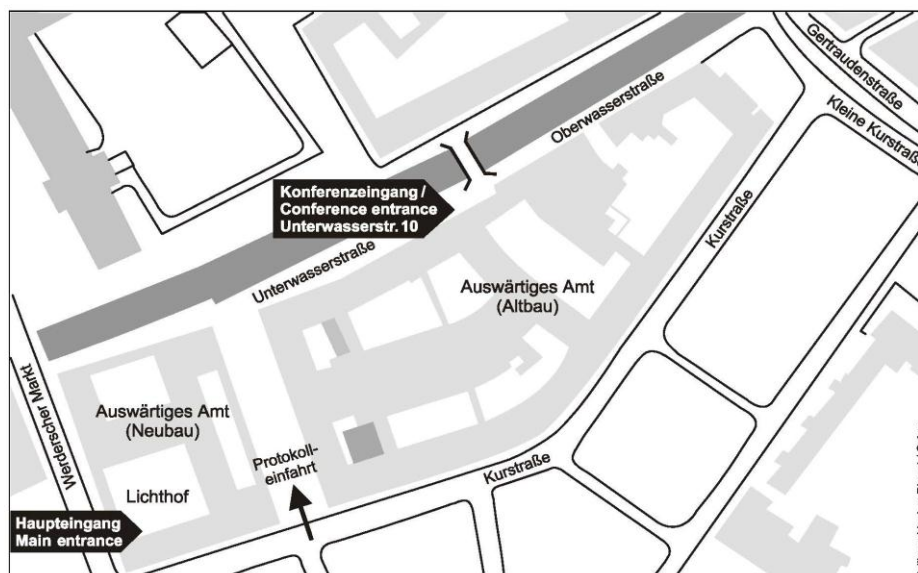
Venues

The Global Forum will be held at the Federal Foreign Office, Werderscher Markt 1, 10117 Berlin.

At the entrance you must show your invitation and a valid official identity document. Please allow sufficient extra time for security measures at the entrance.

Please do not bring any large pieces of luggage. Pieces of luggage which exceed the following dimensions will be opened and manually inspected: 53 cm wide, 35 cm high, 80 cm long.

Please use the entrance
Unterwasserstraße 10:



Please note that internet access will not be available in the meeting rooms but in the foyer.

Accommodation

BaFin arranged block bookings in the following hotels:

NH Berlin Friedrichstraße Friedrichstraße 95 10117 Berlin E-Mail: reservierungen@nh-hotels.com Keyword: IOPS Meeting 2015, Berlin	124,40 EUR incl. breakfast 1,1 km to venue 40 rooms contingent guaranteed till 30 th September (free internet access in all rooms)
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Arcotel John F Berlin Werderscher Markt 11 10117 Berlin E-Mail: reservation.johnf@arcotelhotels.com Keyword: IOPS Meeting 2015, Berlin	129,00 EUR incl. breakfast 74 m to venue 20 room contingent guaranteed till 15 th September (free internet access in all rooms)
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Cosmo Hotel Berlin Mitte Spittelmarkt 13 10117 Berlin E-Mail: reservation@cosmo-hotel.de Keyword: IOPS Meeting 2015, Berlin	134,00 EUR incl. breakfast 650 m to venue 30 room contingent guaranteed till 29 th September (internet access – fee)
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Hilton Berlin Mohrenstraße 30 10117 Berlin E-Mail: reservations.berlin@hilton.com Keyword: IOPS Meeting 2015, Berlin	165,00 EUR incl. breakfast 600 m to venue 20 room contingent guaranteed till 2 nd September (internet access – fee)
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Each participant is responsible for the reservation and payment of his/her own accommodation. Please make your reservations via email, referring to “IOPS Meetings 2015, Berlin” when confirming accommodation reservations and making payments.

Due to the fact that accommodation in Berlin will be well booked in October we highly recommend that you make your reservations within set deadlines. Thank you!

Social Events

Lunch

Lunch will be offered at the Global Forum venue on 29 October 2015.

Evening

There will be a dinner on 29 October, venue to be confirmed. Casual attire.

Documentation and website

Additional information on the Global Forum will be available to the Delegates through the IOPS website www.iopsweb.org.

For further information or inquiries, please do not hesitate to contact the IOPS Secretariat or BaFin via phone or e-mail:

IOPS Secretariat: **Sally Day-Hanotiaux**, telephone number: +33 1 45 24 96 61, E-mail: sally.day-hanotiaux@oecd.org.

BaFin contact: **Bettina Kammers**, telephone number: +49 228 4108 1715, E-mail: bettina.kammers@bafin.de.

Working Languages

The conference and documentation will be in English.

Transportation

The venue and the hotels can be easily reached by public transport. A one way ticket costs 2,70 EUR. For individual planning please see <http://fahrinfo.bvg.de/Fahrinfo/bin/query.bin/en?ld=0.1&>.

Visas

For some Delegates a visa may be required to enter Germany. In order to obtain the official letter to support your visa application process, please contact:

Bettina Kammers, E-mail: bettina.kammers@bafin.de

Practical information

Climate

Berlin's climate is oceanic. Average temperature: max.: 7 – 19°C (45 - 66°F); min: 2 - 11°C (36 – 51°F). Aside from scattered showers, weather in Berlin is relatively predictable.

Electricity

Voltage: 220-240 Volts

Electrical sockets (outlets) in Germany (Deutschland) are one of the two European standard electrical socket types: The "Type C" Europlug and the "Type E" and "Type F" Schuko. If your appliance's plug doesn't match the shape of these sockets, you will need a travel plug adapter in order to plug in.



VAT

The normal VAT rate is 19 percent, a reduced rate of 7 percent applies to certain consumer goods and everyday services (such as food, newspapers, local public transport, hotel stays).