1st Meeting of GCOS Surface Climate Reference Network Task Team (GSRN-TT-1), Met Éireann, Dublin, Ireland 21-24 June 2022



# LOCAL LOGISTICS

## **1.** Travelling from the airport

Met Éireann Glasnevin lies just 9km south of Dublin Airport.

https://www.dublinairport.com/.

### Airport Transport:

- Located on the main route from Dublin Airport, the **Dublin Skylon Hotel** is serviced by every bus into the City Centre. A Bus Inspector is present at all times at the exit doors of Dublin Airport and can direct you to the next bus.
- If staying at a city centre hotel, **Dublin Airport Buses (**Bus to and from Dublin Airport | Dublin City Centre and Suburbs) or Dublin Bus services 16, 41 can get taken to the city Centre.
- There are also two Taxi Ranks at the Airport One for regular taxis and one for minibuses.

Here is a website with places to visit in Dublin city centre, http://www.visitdublin.com/.

The TFI Leap card is a convenient way to pay for public transport in Ireland, and especially useful as Dublin Bus do not give change. It is a re-usable, pre-paid travel card that can save you up to 31% versus cash single fares. You can buy a Leap card at Dublin Airport when you arrive, or at Leap card agents (most newsagents) around Dublin City. Top-ups to the Leap card can be done using the Leap Top-up App, or at Leap Card agents. More info at https://www.transportforireland.ie/fares/leap-card/.

## 2. Accommodation

We have reserved a block of rooms at the Dublin Skylon Hotel (SKYLON Hotel Dublin | 4\* Luxury Hotel in Dublin City Centre (dublinskylonhotel.com)) which is located on the Drumcondra Road and is only about a 15 minutes walk to Met Éireann or DCU Alpha. These rooms are being held as provisional and delegates can confirm their rooms individually by contacting Daniel Fodor at dfodor@dublinskylonhotel.com for direct bookings at your earliest convenience but <u>no later than 1 June 2022</u>.

Please see below the B&B rates for these dates:

- 1. Monday 20 and Tuesday 21 June:
  - Single Occupancy Double Occupancy € 159.00 € 169.00
- 2. Wednesday 22 June:
  - Single Occupancy Double Occupancy € 219.00 € 229.00
- 3. Thursday 23 June:
  - Single Occupancy Double Occupancy € 179.00 € 189.00

Total for 4 nights B&B:  $\in$  716.00. The above rates are per room per night and are inclusive of breakfast and taxes. Delegates can only avail of this rate by contacting our hotel directly themselves. Each participant will be responsible for reserving their own room. Each reservation will have to be confirmed with a credit card.

#### Alternative Hotels (City Centre):

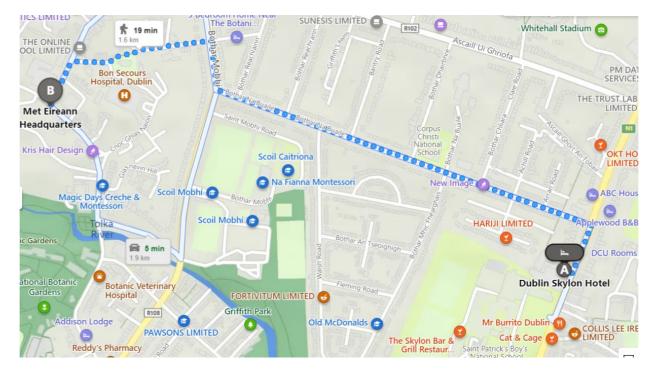
Below are some alternative locations and estimated costs if you may wish to stay elsewhere. Dublin Bus numbers 83, 4 and 9 stop at or near the Met Éireann HQ and the DCU Alpha buildings.

Dublin Bus route from City Centre to Met Éireann HQ	Hotel	Price of Single Room (Mon 20 to Fri 24 June) @ 21 <sup>st</sup> April
Route 4 (towards Harristown) and Route 9 (towards Charlestown) Use bus stop no. 281 on O'Connell Street for both	<b>Cassidys Hotel</b> , Cavendish Row, Upper O'Connell Street, Dublin 1	4 nights: €668 room only, €723 with breakfast (Free airport taxi with spend of €440+)
	<b>Riu Plaza The Gresham</b> <b>Dublin</b> , 23, Upper O'Connell Street, Dublin 1	4 nights: €906 with breakfast (Free airport taxi with spend of €440+)
	Moxy Dublin City, 1-5 Sackville Place, DO1 TY75 Dublin 1	4 nights: €934 with breakfast
	<b>Academy Plaza Hotel</b> , 10- 14 Findlater Place, Off O'Connell Street, Dublin 1	4 nights: €644 with breakfast (Free airport taxi with spend of €440+)
	Jurys Inn Dublin Parnell Street, Moore Street Plaza, Parnell Street, Dublin 1	4 nights: €977 with breakfast (Free airport taxi with spend of €440+)
<b>Route 83</b> (towards Harristown)	Marlin Hotel Stephen's Green, 11 Bow Lane East, Dublin 2	4 nights: €898 with breakfast
Use bus stop no. 1357 on Aungier Street	<b>The Grafton Hotel</b> , 31/32 Stephen's Street Lower Johnsons Place, Dublin 2	4 nights: €981 with breakfast (Free airport taxi with spend of €440+)
	<b>Iveagh Garden Hotel</b> , 72 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2	4 nights: €981 room only (Free airport taxi with spend of €440+)
	<b>Albany House</b> , 84 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2	4 nights: €857 room only (Free airport taxi with spend of €440+)
	<b>Keavan's Port Hotel</b> , 1-5 Camden Street Upper and 49-51 Camden Street Lower, Dublin 2	4 nights: €450 room only

# 3. Meeting venue

Dublin Bus numbers 83, 4 and 9 stop at or near the Met Éireann HQ and the DCU Alpha buildings.

It is a short walk from the Skylon Hotel to Met Éireann HQ:



There are a number of restaurants and pubs in Drumcondra and Glasnevin that offer good food at reasonable prices; most of them are located within a close walk of the hotel and/or Met Éireann. Glasnevin also has the National Botanical Gardens (The National Botanic Gardens of Ireland) and Glasnevin Cemetery (Welcome to Ireland's National Cemetery - Dublin Cemeteries Trust (dctrust.ie)) which are great places to stroll around at lunch time!

## 4. Climate

Ireland is a maritime climate. Even in spring/summer you should arrive prepared for cool and possibly wet and stormy weather. Check the latest weather on Met Éireann Forecast - The Irish Meteorological Service.

## **5.** Electricity

Ireland uses the same three-pin plug as the UK and a similar 240 volt mains power. Please plan accordingly.

