

# Green Urban Development: Biodiversity, Natural Capital Accounting and Nature-Based Solutions for Cities

Working Group Meeting
Briefing Book

8 – 10 May 2019

Global Platform for Sustainable Cities

The World Bank Headquarters, F Building

2121 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W., Washington, DC 20433









# Dear Participant,

We look forward to welcoming you in Washington, DC for the GPSC Working Group Meeting, which will be held from 8-10 May 2019 at the World Bank Group Headquarters (F Building). Please familiarize yourself with the information provided below.

### **VENUE**

**Location:** The World Bank Headquarters, **F Building** (World Bank has a number of buildings in different locations in DC; please directly go to the F building, where the Working Group Meeting will take place). Please see important information below regarding obtaining a building visitor pass.

Address: 2121 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W., Washington, DC 20433

Google Map: https://goo.gl/maps/JSELTf5FttaWpZSm7

**Rooms:** The Working Group Meeting will be held in two F Building rooms, Room 8P-100 (8th story) and L-103 (ground floor). Please refer to the agenda for each day's room.

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#### **EVENT REGISTRATION**

Participation is by registration only. Please find attached the current list of attendees for the event. You will not be able to access the building if you are not on the participants list. If your organization has yet to confirm who will attend, or you would like to change any of your details, please email Yuna Chun at ychun1@worldbank.org.

## **BUILDING VISITOR PASS**

For access to World Bank buildings, all non-World Bank staff will be required to present a **valid ID** (e.g. passport) in order to pick up a visitor pass at the security counter in the F Building lobby entrance. You may pick up your visitor pass there starting from 7 May 2019, 7:00am. Some attendees have individual arrangements that have been communicated to them.

For security reasons, all attendees must be registered and wear security badges to gain access to the World Bank Group buildings. Please hold on to your security badge for the entirety of your stay. The pass will give you access to other World Bank buildings, including MC Building for the Brown Bag Lunch on 9 May 2019.

#### **INTERNET ACCESS**

WiFi is available free of charge throughout the event space for all Working Group Meeting attendees, subject to the standard terms of use.

Wifi name: GUEST Password: rideggayg3

#### **DRESS CODE**

Business professional is recommended for Day 1 and Day 2, and business casual for Day 3.

#### **LANGUAGE**

English will be the official language during the event.

## **FOOD**

As indicated on the agenda, three breakfasts, morning/afternoon coffee breaks, two lunches and one evening reception will be provided.

#### **GETTING THERE/ AROUND**

## By Air

There are three main airports servicing metropolitan Washington:

- o Dulles International Airport
- Regan National Airport
- o Baltimore Washington International Airport

You will need to arrange transport from/to the airport, either with your hotel or by taxi. Taxicabs are operating out of all the major Washington DC Metropolitan Airports. Additionally, you can make arrangements with your hotel for a pick up and transfer to the hotel. Further information on airports can be found on the website of the metropolitan Airports Authority: <a href="http://www.metwashairports.com/">http://www.metwashairports.com/</a>

## **Public Transportation**

Metro is the public transportation system (subway and busses) for all of Washington D.C. as well as the surrounding parts of Maryland and Virginia. Metro subway fares are based on the distance traveled and buses charge a flat fare. Fare cards and day passes that work for the subway and busses can be purchased at subway stations.

To visit the World Bank via subway:

- o Take the Metrorail red line to Farragut North Station, or
- Take blue/orange line to Farragut West Station

For more general information please visit: <a href="www.wmata.com">www.wmata.com</a>

## Taxis and Transport Apps

Taxis are easily flagged down from anywhere on the street as there are no taxi stands or designated taxi lines. Taxis are clearly marked with a company name and a "toplight" and are regulated by the city. Taxis are metered and tariff signs are in all cabs. Washington, DC also is serviced by Uber, Lyft, and other transportation apps.

## **Hotels**

If you require accommodations and have not secured a hotel reservation yet, below is a list of potential hotels near the World Bank Group offices:

o THE DUPONT CIRCLE HOTEL

1500 New Hampshire Ave NW, Washington, DC 20036

Phone: +1 (202) 483-6000

o THE MELROSE HOTEL

2430 Pennsylvania Ave. NW Washington, DC 20037

Phone: +1 (202) 955 6400

o ONE WASHINGTON CIRCLE HOTEL

One Washington Circle NW Washington, DC 20037

Phone: +1 (202) 872 1680

## \* For event-funded participants:

- 1. If you miss your flight or your flight is significantly delayed, please communicate directly with American Express.
- 2. Four nights at the Dupont Circle Hotel will be paid for directly to the hotel (number of nights subject to individual agreement with World Bank).
- 3. A flat per diem to cover miscellaneous personal expenses will be paid in cash on the morning of 8 May, based upon World Bank's standard rate.
- 4. Together with the per diem, a flat allocation in cash will be provided for transportation expenses from your home to airport, from the airport to your hotel, and for your subsequent return transportation home.
- 5. No reimbursement will be provided for:
  - o charges for items from the hotel mini bar;
  - any international and/or domestic phone charges incurred during hotel stay;
  - o personal laundry, paid TV channels, or any other ancillary charges;
  - breakfast elsewhere and meals not covered by the event; and
  - o personal transportation outside the event.