General information for the IFIP WG 2.1 meeting in Iceland 2011

Information Desk

RS Travel Solutions will have an information desk on the ground floor in RU on Monday 23 May.

All unpaid invoices, including final payment for hotel and tours, must be settled with RS Travel Solutions on site on Monday.

Phone number at information desk: (+354) 892 7073.

Opening hours at the information desk:

Monday	23 May	08:15 - 16:00
Tuesday	24 May	12:30 - 13:00
Wednesday	25 May	13:00 - 14:00

Lunches and coffee breaks

Coffee and lunches will be served in the RU cafeteria on the ground floor at RU.

Social Programme

Wednesday 25 May

14:00 - 21:00 Conference tour (Golden Circle). Departure from RU.

Thursday 26 May

19:30 Conference dinner at restaurant "HÖFNIN" (The Harbour).

Special dietary requests

For special dietary requests (if not requested in the comments box on the online registration form) please contact RS Travel Solutions, preferably before **Friday 20 May** by sending an e-mail to info@rstravelsolutions.

Please note that ONLY food allergies, diseases and vegetarian requests are taken into consideration.

Computer facilities

Wireless network is accessible by conference guests anywhere in the RU building.

Smoking

There is a designated smoking area outside the RU building. Smoking is not allowed inside. Please avoid smoking in front of the entrance and please throw used cigarettes into the ashtrays in the designated smoking area.

Conference transportation

Monday 23 May – Friday 27 May:

Shuttle from **Hotel Fron to Reykjavik University** in the mornings at:

1st departure at 08.15

2nd departure at 08.35

Public transportation

Reykjavik has an extensive city bus system called "Strætó". Routes, timings and maps for all city buses can be found on http://www.bus.is/english/routes. Please also consult with your hotel/guesthouse reception staff. One way fare with a city bus is ISK 350 and you must have the exact change ready, the bus driver cannot change money.

City bus nr. 19 stops right in front of Reykjavik University.

Banks and Money

Official banking hours in Reykjavik are 09:15-16:00 Monday to Friday.

All banks can exchange foreign currency, and some shops (especially those catering to tourists) will accept payment in US dollars or Euros.

Most shops and businesses accept the major credit cards (Visa, Euro/Mastercard and American Express), so it is generally not necessary to carry much cash. Cards are commonly used in Iceland even for quite small transactions. ATMs are to be found in many places. The currency used in Iceland is the Icelandic krona or "crown," abbreviated ISK.

The approximate exchange rate 17 May 2011 was: USD 1.00 = ISK 114 and EUR 1.00 = ISK 163.

It is best to exchange your money into ISK in Iceland, and re-exchange any surplus before you leave, as foreign banks may not deal in ISK. You can exchange your money at the bank at the airport on arrival and departure.

There is an ATM in the RU cafeteria.

Shopping hours in Reykjavik

Downtown opening hours may vary but stores are generally open from 10:00-18:00 on weekdays and 10:00 -14:00 on Saturdays. Some stores stay open longer on Saturdays and most downtown stores are open until 18:00 on the first Saturday of each month. Kringlan, Reykjavík's biggest shopping mall is located within a 2 km walking distance from the IFIP WG 2.1 venue (Reykjavík University). Kringlan is open 10-18 Mon-Wed, 10-21 Thu, 10-19 Fri, 10-18 Sat and 13-18 Sundays.

Telephones

Direct calls can be made to all parts of Iceland. The code into Iceland from overseas is +354. Mobile phones in Iceland use the European GSM system.