



## PRACTICAL INFORMATION, 48<sup>th</sup> CERP PLENARY MEETING, KRISTIANSAND

### **About Kristiansand**

Kristiansand, which has a population of nearly 80 000, is Norway's fifth largest town and the "capital" of southern Norway.

Kristiansand has the country's second largest harbour and has extensive train, bus, ferry and plane links with the rest of Norway and abroad.

More information about Kristiansand at: [Visit Kristiansand](#)



### **Important details regarding flight bookings**

When making your flight booking, please make sure that your destination airport is Kristiansand Kjevik (airport code KRS), as there are other towns in Norway with quite similar names.

Passengers travelling to Oslo from abroad and continuing to Kristiansand should be aware that some budget airlines land at Torp/Sandefjord (TRF) south of Oslo and not Oslo International Airport Gardermoen (OSL). There are no connecting flight between Torp/Sandefjord (TRF) and Kristiansand Kjevik (KRS)

**Be aware that in Norway, changing from international to domestic flights will include baggage retrieval and going through clearing customs before rechecking through to your domestic destination.**

**Make sure that you have sufficient time between flights to do this.**

### **Kristiansand Airport Kjevik (KRS)**

Kristiansand Airport Kjevik (KRS) is situated 16km northeast of the city centre. There are between six and ten flights daily from Oslo to Kristiansand (KRS). The airport is connected with the international air traffic network via Copenhagen and Amsterdam.

More information about the airport at: [Kristiansand Airport Kjevik](#)

### **The airport express bus**

The airport express bus runs between the airport and Kristiansand. It stops at most of the hotels and finally at the bus station only 200 metres from Clarion Hotel Ernst, which is the meeting venue. Be aware that buses leave in several directions from the airport. Make sure that you take the correct bus - direction Kristiansand. The bus fare is NOK100 (about 13€), and the trip duration is about 25 minutes.

For departure/arrival times: [Airport Express](#)

### **Taxi**

A taxi from the airport will cost approximately NOK 375 (about 53€). You will find taxis outside the terminal building at the airport, and on marked stops in Kristiansand.

Phone: **Taxi Sør: +47 38 02 80 00, Agder Taxi +47 38 00 20 00**



Clarion Hotel Ernst

### **Currency/Exchange**

The currency unit in Norway is the kroner (NOK)

You will find cash dispensers available at the airport and in the central streets of Kristiansand. The cash dispensers are open 24 hours a day.

### **Credit Cards**

The use of credit cards is widespread in Norway. MasterCard and VISA are most common. Please note that some grocery stores / supermarkets do not allow foreign credit cards.

### **Electricity**

230V/50Hz (European plug)

### **Emergency numbers**

Police: 112

Fire: 110

Emergency Medical Services: 113

### **The climate**

The temperature in May is normally between 10-15 degrees. May is one of the most beautiful months in Norway. The gardens begin to sprout, wild flowers are blooming and the trees and grass have turned green. But be prepared to bring warm clothes such as a sweater and a windbreaking / waterproof jacket, as they might come in handy. It's hard to predict the weather, and you may experience severe weather changes during your stay.



### **Water quality**

The water quality in Norway is adequate and tap water is always drinkable.

### **Alternative hotels in Kristiansand**

All within ten minutes walking distance from Clarion Hotel Ernst, the meeting venue.

#### **Hotel Norge Kristiansand**

Dronningensgate 5, 4666 Kristiansand  
Phone +47 38 17 40 00

*Here you can enjoy a good night's rest in our luxurious Jensen's Ambassador mattresses. Hotel Norge is a first class hotel with a warm atmosphere. All of our 172 high quality rooms have original artwork from many well known artists, air conditioning, a minibar and cable TV. Breakfast included.*

#### **Scandic Kristiansand**

Markensgate 39, 4612 Kristiansand  
Phone: +47 21 61 42 00

*The Scandic Kristiansand hotel is situated near Kristiansand's railway station and the ferry terminal. Our standard rooms have wooden floors and a private bathroom with a shower or a bathtub. All standard rooms are equipped with a hairdryer, iron, ironing board, safe deposit box, TV with movie channels, wireless internet access, desk and an armchair for relaxing. Breakfast included.*

#### **Thon Hotel Wergeland**

Kirkegata 15, 4611 Kristiansand  
Phone: +47 38 17 20 40

*Thon Hotel Wergeland is centrally located near Wergelandsparken, Domkirken and Torvet in Kristiansand. The hotel is adjacent to the Sandens shopping centre and it is only a short walk to Kristiansand's popular shopping pedestrian precinct, Markens. We have large, charming rooms, and serve a tasty breakfast in comfortable surroundings.*

#### **Yess! Hotel**

Tordenskjoldsgate 12, 4612 Kristiansand  
Phone: +47 38 70 15 70

*Centrally located in the center of Kristiansand you will find a brand new budget hotel. We offer you spotlessly clean rooms, mattresses from top quality, hassle-free free internet, not to mention a tasty and healthy breakfast. All at a very reasonable price.*

#### **Radisson Blu Caledonien Hotel**

Vestre Strandgate 7, 4610 Kristiansand  
Phone: +47 38 11 21 00

*This chic hotel features 205 beautifully styled hotel rooms. All afford Kristiansand guests spectacular views of the North Sea, and many feature a private balcony or terrace. Allowing guests to stay connected through the use of a unique password, free high-speed, wireless Internet access is offered throughout the hotel. Non-smoking and non-allergenic rooms are available upon request. Breakfast included.*

