

**11<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the HELCOM Working Group on the State of the Environment and Nature Conservation (HELCOM STATE & CONSERVATION) October 21-25, 2019  
in Riga**

**Practical information**

**Location of the meeting venue**

Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development

Address: Peldu iela 25, Riga, LV-1494

Meeting room N° 409 (fourth floor).

The meeting venue is located in the city centre, the Old Town - around 10 min walking distance from the Central Train Station and International Bus Station (see on the map), 20 min walking distance from the ferry terminal.

**Transport to the meeting venue**

**From the airport**

The Riga International Airport is located outside the city, around 35 min driving distance from the city centre by bus or minibus -- around 20 min by taxi (depending on traffic).

From the airport you can also take public transport bus N° 22 or Express bus N° 322 (tickets can be bought from the driver for 2 EUR), the stop closest to the meeting venue is "11.novembra krastmala" (3 min walking distance till the meeting venue).

A taxi will cost around 15-20 EUR.

**If coming to Riga by bus or train**

The International Bus Station and the Central Train Station are located around 7 and 12 minutes walking distance from the meeting venue.

Information about public transport in Riga: <https://www.rigassatiksme.lv/en/>.

**Hotels**

Since the meeting venue is located in the Old Town there are many hotels within walking distance from the venue (see [www.booking.com](http://www.booking.com)) or <http://www.meetriga.com/en/>.

**Visas**

Latvia is a Schengen Member State. More information about visa requirements for citizens of other countries can be found at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs website: <http://www.mfa.gov.lv/en/consular-information>. Participants are responsible for their visa arrangements, if needed.

