



WELCOME TO DUSSELDORF

The German CCNFSDU Secretariat welcomes you to the 43rd Session of the Codex Committee on Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses (CCNFSDU). We are very happy to switch back to the physical meeting mode and to see you all again in person.

This document provides information on the session, the venue and transportation from the airport. We wish you a pleasant visit as well as a productive session.

SESSION DATE

The 43rd Session of the Codex Committee on Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses will be held at the Kö59 Hotel from **7-10 March 2023**. The report will be adopted virtually on **15 March 2023**. The physical working groups on general principles for the establishment of NRVs-R for persons aged 6 – 36 months and on the prioritization mechanism/emerging issues or new work proposals will be held on Monday, 6 March 2023.

MEETING VENUE

Hotel Kö59 Dusseldorf

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Hotel Website



REGISTRATION

The participants of the meeting should provide the relevant information (names, official titles and addresses) through the online registration system by accessing this <u>link</u>, at the latest by 7 February 2023.

On-site registration will be available on Sunday, 5 March 2023, from 3.00 – 6.00 pm, on Monday, 6 March 2023, starting at 8.00 am and on Tuesday, 7 March 2023, starting at 8.00 am.

LIVE BROADCAST

The Plenary Session and the physical working group meetings will be broadcast in listen-only mode via Zoom in English, French and Spanish.

The broadcast option will not offer delegations participating only on Zoom the possibility of making interventions. In order to intervene, Codex Members and Observers therefore need to have at least one delegate present at the PWGs and in plenary.

Privacy data protection is important for Germany. So please contact the German CCNFSDU secretariat if you have any concerns.

WI-FI

Wi-Fi will be available at the venue.

DOCUMENTATION

Delegates are requested to bring their own documentation to the meeting. The documentation is available in English, French and Spanish at

www.codexalimentarius.org.

INTERPRETATION

Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English, French, Spanish and German during the meeting.

The interpreters ask the delegates to provide all pre-formulated comments in advance (printed or per email to ccnfsdu@bmel.bund.de).

SEATING

The German CCNFSDU Secretariat reserves the right to limit the number of chairs at the tables to a certain number per delegation. Further chairs will be arranged in rows and will be available for additional seating.

COVID-19 DISCLAIMER

The meeting details are subject to any national Covid-19 requirements and obligations which may be valid at the time of the meeting (especially potential entry restrictions).

ACCOMMODATION

The venue is located at Dusseldorf Königsallee, a 7-minute drive from Dusseldorf Central Station and a 20-minute drive from Dusseldorf International Airport. Address: Königsallee 59, 40215 Dusseldorf.

The Kö59 Hotel will provide you with a warm welcome in an exclusive ambience, enhanced by its modern design. The 287 elegant guestrooms and suites offer a generous amount of space to live, work and relax in.

A block of rooms has been reserved until **20 January 2023**.



- The special rate at the Kö59 for participants is 189 € per night for a single occupancy and 219 € per night for a double occupancy.
- All rates include breakfast.

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We advise you to reserve your room early. To make a reservation please contact reservierung.koe59@hommage-hotels.com, giving "CCNFSDU" as a reference.

Delegates are reminded that they are responsible for making their own hotel accommodation arrangements. It is highly recommended that you make a hotel reservation as soon as possible.

HOTELS NEARBY

In Dusseldorf and especially in the Königsallee area, there are a wide range of hotels in all price categories.

Please have a look at https://www.duesseldorf-tourismus.de/en/book/hotels or at other authorised booking pages.

ARRIVAL INFORMATION

The Kö59 Hotel is only a 15-minute walk from Dusseldorf Central Station or a 4-minute walk from 'Steinstraße/Königsallee' underground station. From Dusseldorf International Airport (DUS), Dusseldorf's Königsallee is easy to reach **by public transportation:**



A train station is located in the airport. The train station is called 'Düsseldorf Flughafen'. The easiest way is to take a Regional Express train, called "RE". It will take you from the airport directly to Dusseldorf central station in 7-10 minutes; from there, you can take the underground to 'Steinstraße/Königsallee' station. As an alternative you can walk from Dusseldorf central station to the hotel in 15 minutes.

Another option for reaching the venue is to take a taxi:

The Kö59 Hotel Dusseldorf is located approximately 9 km from Dusseldorf International Airport. By taxi, it takes approximately 20 minutes from the airport (around 30 €). Taxis are always available in front of the main arrival points.

DISTANCE INFORMATION

	Distance from Venue	Transport
Dusseldorf Central Station	1.2 km	Public transportation ~ 7 min Rental Car/ Taxi ~ 5 min Walk ~ 15 min
Dusseldorf Altstadt (City Centre)	1.5 km	Public transportation ~ 12 min Rental Car/ Taxi ~ 6 min Walk ~ 10-15 min
Dusseldorf International Airport (DUS)	9 km	Public transportation ~ 20 min Rental Car/Taxi ~ 20 min
Cologne City	40 km	Public transportation ~ 40 min Rental Car ~ 45 min
Cologne/Bonn Airport (CGN)	50 km	Train ~ 60 min Rental Car ~ 45 min
Frankfurt Airport (FRA)	215 km	Train ~ 1.30 hrs Rental Car ~ 2.30 hrs

VISA INFORMATION

Participants requiring a Schengen visa to enter Germany are advised to contact the **competent embassies and consulates-general** of the Federal Republic of Germany as soon as possible to apply for their visa.

Here you can find out whether you need a Schengen visa for your visit; a Schengen visa is valid for 90 days: https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/visa-service/-/215870.

The German CCNFSDU Secretariat does not issue personalised invitations for the meetings of the CCNFSDU. Furthermore, the CCNFSDU Secretariat cannot expedite visa applications.

Please visit the website of the Federal Foreign Office for further information: https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en.

OTHER INFORMATION

Climate

Temperatures tend to be still cold, especially at the beginning of March. They rise from 3°C to 11°C during the day. We have averages from 3°C at night but it may drop to 1°C or even below 0°C which means that we could expect some snow. Over the course of the month, temperatures may reach up to 17°C on sunny days but this is unlikely for the beginning of March. Rain and maybe some snow are not uncommon at this time of the year, so we advise participants to bring warm coats and umbrellas.

Currency

The Euro is the only currency accepted in Germany. Major credit cards are accepted in most hotels and stores. ATM machines are available at the airport as well as near the venue hotel. Currency exchange is available at the airport and in Dusseldorf City.

Electrical Current

Electricity in Germany is 230 Volts and 50 Hertz. Plugs of type C/F are required.

Language

The official language in Germany is German. English is widely spoken.

Time zone

Dusseldorf is in the Central European Time zone (CET), which is GMT/UTC +01:00 hour.



ABOUT DUSSELDORF

Dusseldorf is the state capital of North Rhine-Westphalia, the most populous state in Germany. With a population of around 620,000, Dusseldorf is the seventh-largest city in Germany. Dusseldorf is located in western Germany on the banks of the rivers Rhine and

Dussel.

Dusseldorf is an international business and financial centre, renowned for its fashion and trade fairs. Dusseldorf was again voted a city with one of the best quality of life indexes worldwide. The elegant, life-affirming city on the Rhine stands for fashion, shopping and culture. From Königsallee – fondly known as the 'Kö', one of Europe's most luxurious shopping locations— it's just a short walk to the historical Altstadt (Old Town) which boasts more than 260 bars and restaurants.



The Kö59 Hotel is located on the famous Königsallee. In the following section, you can find an overview of the most famous landmarks in Dusseldorf City:

PLACES OF INTEREST

Altstadt (Old town)



The famous Altstadt has more to offer than any other district in Dusseldorf. More than 260 pubs mean that it is called the 'longest bar in the world'. It is also home to local breweries, lounges, cocktail bars and clubs. The district also offers food for the mind, as this is where most of the state capital's art and cultural venues are to be found. Dusseldorf's centre is also home to some of the city's most beautiful churches, for instance the Sankt Lambertus Basilika, which was first built in the 13th

century. Its twisting spire adds to Dusseldorf's unique skyline.

Rathaus (City Hall)

The Rathaus was built from 1570-1573. The city hall complex consists of three buildings from different periods: the so-called 'old city hall' at the northern side of Marktplatz, the 'Wilhelminischer Bau' (period of the Emperor Wilhem II) and the 'Grupello house' at the western side.



Königsallee

Dusseldorf's international hallmark is the Königsallee ('Kö'). Germany's most



sophisticated street is considered one of the world's grand luxurious boulevards. It's the main reason for the city's image as an elegant shopping destination offering a sophisticated lifestyle. The Kö is home to all the 'Who's Who' of the fashion world. Numerous flagship-stores, small boutiques, luxurious jewellers and impressive shopping malls invite visitors to indulge in a leisurely stroll.

Rhine embankment promenade

Dusseldorf's Rhine embankment promenade is regarded as one of the country's most beautiful esplanades. Planned by Niklaus Fritschi and built between 1990 and 1997, it has joined the city to its river. The Rhine embankment promenade links the traditional Altstadt (Old Town) to the modern MedienHafen and is lined by cafés and bars. This is the place to relax and watch the Rhine shipping go by.



Medienhafen (media harbour)



In contrast to other cities, when modernising its harbour, Dusseldorf didn't just attempt to wipe the slate clean, but decided to treat each lot individually and adapt it to its future users. Internationally famous architects such as Frank O. Gehry, David Chipperfield, Joe Coenen, Steven Holl and Claude Vasconi were given an empty canvas to make their creative contribution to the skyline.

Botanischer Garten (botanical garden)

The Dusseldorf botanical garden is well worth the trip: covering 1000 square metres, there are about 400 plant species from the Mediterranean, California, Chile, South Africa, New Zealand and Asia. Whether cacti, tropical food or medicinal plants: nature lovers can expect many ecological highlights in the various areas, which are situated in a large wildflower meadow.



Rheinturm (Rhine Tower)



The Rheinturm (built 1979 – 1982) is a striking landmark on Dusseldorf's Rhine skyline. It stands on the edge of the southern city centre, at the entrance to the MedienHafen. It is 240 metres high. A viewing platform at 164m offers a breathtaking view of the Rhine metropolis, with the MedienHafen, the Altstadt, the Hofgarten, Königsallee and the Rhine all lying at the foot of the tower. In fair weather, the view even extends as far as Colognie Cathedral.

