

Tēnā koutou katoa (greetings & hello to you all)

A big warm Kiwi welcome to all delegates coming to New Zealand's capital city, Wellington. We are looking forward to hosting you in our wonderful city.

ISO/TC 211 N 4562 records the presentation given in Stockholm about the venue for the plenary meeting week in Wellington, New Zealand.

Here is additional practical information that may help you plan your trip.

Visitors to New Zealand

Visitors to New Zealand must carry a passport that is valid for at least three months beyond the date you intend to leave this country. Visas are not required for New Zealand or Australian citizens, or for citizens of over 50 other countries that have a current visa waiver for travellers staying less than three months. Full details are available on the [New Zealand Immigration Service website](#).

Airport Transfers

There is no need to pre-book a taxi from Wellington Airport as there are always plenty of taxis and Ubers waiting at the front doors of the arrivals lounge. A ride from the airport into the central business district typically takes about 20 minutes and will cost you approximately \$35 (*all \$ values quoted are in New Zealand Dollars*)

The Airport Flyer is a regular bus service running through Lambton Quay (high street in the heart of CBD) that takes you directly from/to the airport terminal door for a cash fare of around \$8: [Airport Flyer bus timetable](#)

Weather

The weather in Wellington in November and December can be changeable. Expect cool temperatures ([10 – 18 degrees](#) Celsius) with wind and rain interspersed by some dry spells. Bring a rain jacket and warm sweater. To check the weather use this link: [New Zealand's weather service](#)

Meeting venue

We are delighted to be guests of the Victoria University of Wellington, School of Geography. Our meetings will be on the downtown Pipitea Campus in Rutherford House. [Look at the map here](#)

The venue has state of the art facilities and is extremely easy to get to from all parts of the city.

Early morning tea and coffee, morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided every day for meeting delegates.

Hotels

We recommend that you stay in Wellington Central, along Lambton Quay (and surrounding streets) or The Terrace. From here you will be an easy 10 or 15 minute walk from the meeting venue, Rutherford House.

Here are some hotels that we know you will be comfortable in:

	Star rating	Approximate price per night (NZD)	Approximate walking time to meeting venue
Bolton Hotel	5 star	\$270	5 minutes
CityLife Wellington	4 star	\$220	10 minutes
Gilmer Serviced Apartments	4 star	\$170	15 minutes
Hotel Intercontinental	5 star	\$320	10 minutes
IBIS Wellington	3 star	\$170	10 minutes
Novatel	4 star	\$240	10 minutes
Park Hotel Wellington	4 star	\$170	5 minutes
Quest on Johnson	4 star	\$150	5 minutes
Rydges Wellington	4 star	\$240	5 minutes
Travelodge	4 star	\$160	15 minutes
Wellesley Boutique Hotel	4 star	\$190	5 minutes

This accommodation finder may also be useful: [Trivago NZ](#)

Getting around the city

Wellington is a compact city and very walkable. You will be within walking distance of supermarkets, restaurants, bars, cafes and shops from both Rutherford House and your hotel. Public transport is readily accessible particularly in the CBD.

ISO/TC211 Dinner – Thursday evening

We are pleased to announce that the ISO/TC211 dinner will be held at the iconic Museum of New Zealand – Te Papa Tongarewa.

To begin the evening, you are invited to a private viewing of one of the ground-breaking exhibitions by Weta Workshop (famous for the *Lord of the Rings* film trilogy). This will be followed by a delicious three-course meal at the spectacular Te Marae, where we will be immersed in New Zealand's Maori culture and heritage with a presentation by one of the

leading Te Papa Tongarewa guides and a performance by a Kapa Haka group (Maori dancing and singing).

OGC TC

In the week following ISO/TC211's meeting in Wellington, the Open Geospatial Consortium is meeting in Palmerston North. Palmerston North is just over two hours drive north of Wellington. The city is also serviced by air, rail, and bus services. [More information about the OGC meeting.](#)

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