

## INFO NOTE OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN BONN:

### “Altes Abgeordnetenhochhaus” becomes extraterritorial area of the United Nations in Bonn

Bonn, 15 July, 2013 - With effect from today, the high-rise building which used to accommodate MP offices (the so called "Altes Abgeordnetenhochhaus") will be part of the United Nations territory in Germany under extraterritorial jurisdiction. The UN in Bonn is taking charge of the building with effect from 15th July. The real estate object will be managed by the UN with the support of the Institute for Federal Real Estate (Bundesanstalt für Immobilienaufgaben). With the "Altes Abgeordnetenhochhaus“, the UN Campus in Bonn is given another portion of the area which used to be the location of the German Bundestag.

The UN finally taking charge of the building entails major changes:

In the future, the uniform address of all the UN organisations in Bonn will be "Platz der Vereinten Nationen 1, 53113 Bonn". The main entrance to the UN Campus will be moved to Platz der Vereinten Nationen 1, the former main entrance Hermann-Ehlers-Straße 10 will be closed. This renders the old address invalid.

The United Nations have been having offices in Bonn since 1951. In the summer of 2006, the UN Campus was officially inaugurated by former UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan and Federal Chancellor Angela Merkel, with the "Tall Eugene" as the main building. From a hand full of staff in the early days, the UN presence in Bonn has grown steadily since 1996 and has become a UN family with an international staff of almost 1,000 colleagues.

At the moment, the UN in Bonn has [18 agencies](#). All these organisations support the targeted efforts of governments for a sustainable future in the fields of [climate change](#), [land degradation](#), [biodiversity](#), [volunteer services](#), [disaster preparedness](#), [education](#), [health](#), [human security](#) and [wildlife conservation](#). This not only includes the sustainable use of natural resources and their precautionary preservation for future generations, but also the global fight against poverty.