

Rail track works in Cologne during the November 2017 Bonn Climate Change Conference

Cologne/Bonn. *Nahverkehr Rheinland (NVR)*, the public transportation coordination body of the Rhineland region, wishes to inform the participants in the November 2017 Bonn Climate Change Conference that major rail track construction works will be conducted between Cologne and Bonn during the conference period. These works had been scheduled and prepared long before the decision was made to hold the conference in Bonn. A postponement or cancellation would have resulted in major disruption of railway services nation-wide and beyond.

However, every effort has been made to minimize the effects of the construction works on local rail traffic in the wider region, with special consideration given to the Climate Change Conference:

- The three hourly local train connections (RE, RB) between Bonn Central Station/Hauptbahnhof and Cologne Central Station/Köln Hauptbahnhof will be maintained. However, the travel time will increase by about 20 minutes.
- Local trains stops Köln West and Köln Süd in Cologne will not be serviced, but all other stops between Bonn and Köln Hauptbahnhof will.
- All three local trains running every hour will also service the new, additional train stop Bonn UN Campus, which is within walking distance from the conference venue.
- Participants commuting from Koblenz will need to change trains in Remagen.
 Connecting times will be kept to a minimum.
- Not affected will be the lines between the Ahr valley and Bonn, as well as Euskirchen and Bonn.

Detailed information on the adjusted schedules will be available through the on-line <u>timetable of Deutsche Bahn</u>, the DB Navigator app, and the <u>timetable of the Cologne/Bonn regional transport association VRS</u>. In addition, printed time tables will be posted on all stops and stations along the affected lines.

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