IEEE 802.1 Interim Meeting September 2018 in Oslo, Norway

Dates: September 10-14, 2018
Venue: Thon Hotel Opera, Oslo, Norway
Early registration: 15 July 2018
Hotel cutoff: 15 July 2018
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Welcome to Oslo in September
We in TransPacket are warmly welcoming you to the September 2018 IEEE 802.1 Interim Meeting. The meeting will be held at the Thon Hotel Opera that is situated 50 meters from the airport train track on the Oslo Central Station.

On Tuesday September 11, you are welcome to attend a social dinner event at the Oslo Opera House at 19.00. It is only a 200 meter walk from the hotel.

Book early – hotel rooms may sell out prior to the cut-off date.

Registration Terms, Meeting Fee and Deadlines
Any person who attends any part of the Interim Meeting must register for the full session and pay a meeting fee. The correct meeting fee must be paid prior to receiving your badge, which permits entrance to scheduled meetings. The registration options are as follows:

Early registration
Fee: NOK 5 250
Cut-off date: July 15, before 23:59 Central European Summer Time (CEST)

Standard registration
Fee: NOK 6 450
Cut-off date: September 2, before 23:59 CEST

Late/on-site registration
Fee: NOK 7 250

The meeting fee includes lunch, morning and afternoon refreshments, WiFi access, meeting room access, AV equipment, power hook-ups for laptops, and meeting services and supplies. Meeting registrations are not transferable to another individual or to another meeting.
Registration is available through a secure website and requires a valid credit card for the payment of the registration fee; checks are not accepted for registration. TransPacket is using the intermediary “Nunatak” to clear the payment transactions. Hence the name “Nunatak” will appear on your credit card bill.

If you are not able to register for the session via the web for technical reasons, you must notify TransPacket (ivar.sovold@transpacket.com) prior to the cut-off date, to receive the corresponding registration fee.

The meeting fee is inclusive of tax (VAT).

**Currency**
The local currency in Norway is Norwegian Kroner (NOK). The exchange rate as of 7 June 2018 is USD 0.1246 per NOK

**Cancellation and Refund Policy**
If you register and then are unable to attend, you must request cancellation of your registration before the deadlines below to be eligible for a refund of all or part of the fees paid. Cancellation requests must be made by e-mail to TransPacket (ivar.sovold@transpacket.com).

**Full Refund:** Before July 15, 23:59 CEST,

**Partial Refund (NOK 1300 Cancellation Fee Applies):** Before September 2, 23:59 CEST,

No refund will be provided for cancellation after September 2.

**Visa Invitation Letters**
If you require an invitation letter for a visa application to attend this meeting, please register and then contact the meeting planner by email no later than August 15, 2018. Please provide 1) First name, 2) Family Name, 3) Gender, 4) Citizenship, 5) Nationality, 6) Date of birth, 7) Place of birth, 8) Passport No, 9) Date of issue, 10) Date of expiry, 11) Residential address, 12) Company.

**HOTEL**
Thon Hotel Opera, Oslo
Dronning Eufemias gate 4
0191 Oslo, Norway
Tel: +47 24 10 30 00

Thon Hotel Opera with 480 guest rooms is situated right next door to the Airport Train terminal at Oslo Central Train Station. Every possible public transport option is truly at your doorstep. Karl Johan high street is a two-minute walk from the hotel.

All rooms are non-smoking.
The hotel is offering a group discount rate of NOK 1655 for single occupancy rooms and NOK 1955 for double occupancy. Breakfast and internet access is included in the room rates. The room rates are inclusive of taxes (VAT).

The discount room rates are offered until July 15 based on availability within the room block. If the block is sold out before the deadline date, the rate may no longer be available.

Please book your room directly with the hotel mentioning the meeting organizer TransPacket, the code 24663040, as well as the discount price.

E-mail: opera@olavthon.no
Phone: 00 47 2410 3030

Please observe any room cancellation rules when booking.

Please book early to ensure availability!

If you have any special requirements regarding the hotel room (i.e. size, number of beds, etc.) please book early and discuss your needs with the hotel booking staff.

Parking
Overnight parking in the Oslo S P-hus next to the hotel is approximately $50/night.

Registration
Monday 10 September: From 0730

Breaks
10:30 – 11:00: Coffee break and a snack
13:00 – 14:00: Lunch break (lunch is provided)
16:00 – 16:30: Coffee break and a snack

Social Event
On Tuesday September 11, you are welcome to attend a social dinner event at the Oslo Opera House next to the hotel at 19.00. The event starts with a guided tour of the Oslo Opera House.

The 50-minute guided tour provides an insight into some of the many facilities the Opera House has to offer and what goes on behind the scenes before the curtain rises. It includes a walk out onto the main stage and a visit the costume workshop or scene painting room. There might also be possible to meet a singer or dancer as you make your way around learning about the architecture, stagecraft, opera and ballet from knowledgeable tour guides.

The three-course dinner will be served at 20.00 in the Argent restaurant.

Please sign up for the social dinner event when you register for the conference
Transportation

Air travel
Fly to Oslo Airport, Gardermoen (OSL), 49 km from the Oslo Central Station and Thon Hotel Opera.

Airport Rail Service (Flytoget)
The fastest and most comfortable way to get to the hotel is by the Airport Rail Service (Flytoget) that departs every 10 minutes from the airport and takes a mere 19 minutes to Oslo Central Station and the Thon Hotel Opera. The fare is approximately $25.

From the airport simply swipe your credit card at the barrier and select Oslo Central Station as your destination. There is no need to swipe your card again on arrival. The travel is then ticketless and you obtain a receipt by registering your details on https://minside.flytoget.no/en#. This page also provides you with an option to receive the receipt automatically by email next time you travel by the Airport Express Train. For the return trip swipe your card in the card reader at the station before boarding. When you arrive at Oslo Airport you swipe the same card again to pass through the barrier.

Airport taxi
Taxi travel is expensive in Norway. Fixed, pre-agreed rates are normally far lower than metered rates.

Travelling to Oslo by train
You can also reach Oslo Central Station by train from Stockholm (Sweden), Gothenburg (Sweden) and Copenhagen (Denmark).

Destination
Oslo is the capital and the economic and governmental centre of Norway with a population of 1.0 million. The city is also a hub of Norwegian trade, banking, industry and shipping. It is an important centre for maritime industries and maritime trade in Europe including some of the world’s largest shipping companies, shipbrokers and maritime insurance brokers. Oslo is ranked very high in terms of quality of life among European large cities.

The compact downtown area bustles with restaurants and bars. You’ll be within walking distance of Oslo Opera House, Aker Brygge, Tjuvholmen, the City Hall, as well as a number of museums. A short tram, subway, bus or boat ride from the Oslo Central Station and you can visit the Munch museum, the Viking Ship museum, the Fram Polar Ship museum, as well as the Holmenkollen ski jump. Other attractions include Ekebergparken offering stunning views of downtown Oslo and the fascinating Vigelandsparken sculpture park.

Check out www.visitoslo.com for tourist information and dining tips.