

World Climate Conference:

First significant demonstrations this weekend

Police expect traffic delays - **update**

This weekend demonstrations are due to take place just two days before the start of the World Climate Conference. A bicycle demonstration with as many as 1000 anticipated participants will travel from Cologne to Bonn. According to organisers, around 9000 demonstrators will gather on Münsterplatz at midday and will walk towards the conference venue. They will then join the cyclists and form a final rally at the conference site. On Monday, 06.11.2017, around 1000 children and young people are expected to take part in a demonstration in Bonn, which will then make its way over highway Bundesstraße 9 (B9) between 9.00 and 11:00. The police expects the gathering to be peaceful, but nonetheless warns of traffic obstruction along the demonstration route.

Bike Protest from Cologne to Bonn

Saturday, 04.11. 2017: Organisers of a bicycle demonstration are expecting around 1000 participants who will cycle from Cologne to Bonn. The cyclists will meet on Saturday, 04.11.2017, at 12:00, at Wasserwerkswäldchen to the south of Cologne. From there they will start the 31km route towards Bonn. A sub-group of cyclists are expected to meet at 09:00 in the square at the front of Cologne main train station (Hauptbahnhof). From there, they will take use the following roads as a route towards the assembly point at Wasserwerkswäldchen: Cologne: Station square - Trankgasse - Komödienstraße - Zeughausstraße - Magnusstraße - Hohenzollernring - Rudolfplatz - Habsburgerring - Zülpicher Platz - Hohenstaufering - Barbarossaplatz - Salierring - Sachsenring - Karolingerring - Chlodwigplatz - Bonner Straße - Am Verteilerkreis - Militärringstraße - Im Wasserwerkswäldchen

In the morning, 100 further cyclists are expected to make their way from Bonn to Cologne. After a collective demonstration at the assembly point, all cyclists will set out for Bonn. The following route is planned:

Cologne: Im Wasserwerkswäldchen - Weißdornweg - Rodenkirchener Straße - Friedrich-Ebert-Straße – **update: Bonner Landstraße – Godorfer Hauptstraße** (please delete: Zum Forstbotanischen Garten – Industriestraße)

Wesseling Theodor-Heuss-Straße - Konrad-Adenauer-Straße - Willy-Brandt-Straße Bornheim
Kölner Landstraße - Elbestraße

Bonn: Kölnstraße - An der Josefshöhe - Werftstraße - Römerstraße - Augustusring - Leinpfad - Fritz-Schroeder-Ufer - Erzbergerufer - Moses-Hess-Ufer - Brassertufer - Wilhelm-Spiritus-Ufer - Stresemannufer - Charles-de-Gaulle-Straße - Franz-Josef-Strauß-Allee - Marie-Kahle-Allee - Joseph-Beuys-Allee - Emil-Nolde-Straße

Possible Changes of Route

The organisers are currently in dispute with police as to certain parts of the route that the police have made available. The issue concerns the use of highway 555 between Wesseling and Bonn. There remains a possible change that could be made to this portion of the route, which is currently the subject of a review carried out by the Administrative Court. This will be reported when a decision has been made. Regardless of the outcome of the court's decision, motorists should expect traffic closures along this portion of the route. Police will provide the necessary traffic controls on the ground.

Demonstration: From Münsterplatz in Bonn to Genscherallee via B 9

Saturday, 04.11. 2017: While the cyclists are making their way towards Bonn, a further 9000 participants are due to meet at 13:00 at Bonn Münsterplatz. After an initial demonstration they will march towards Genscherallee. There they are expected to meet with the cyclists from Cologne at around 14:30. A final rally will then take place which is expected to end at 17:00.

Route: Am Neutor, Am Hofgarten, Adenauerallee, Willy-Brandt-Allee, Rheinweg, Joseph-Beuys-Allee, Genscherallee. The police will secure the route for the demonstrators. Due to necessary road closures, traffic disruption is expected along highway Bundesstraße 9 (B9), on the City-Ring and on Reuterstraße. The police recommend that motorists avoid die Bundesstraße 9 and Reuterstraße in particular between 13:30 and 15:00 .

Traffic Disruption expected on Monday

Monday, 06.11.2017: Police anticipate significant traffic disruption due to Kids for Earth. Between 9 and 11, children and young people will be demonstrating in the centre of Bonn and on highway Bundesstraße (B9). Around 500 participants are due to meet at 9:00 at Kaiserplatz. From there, they will march along the following streets - Am Hofgarten, Adenauerallee and Willy Brandt Allee -finishing at Genscherallee. Along the way, an additional 500 children and young people are expected to join them. All of the participants will then assemble together as a symbol of humanity and cooperation at the junction between Willy-Brandt-Allee, Heussallee and Genscherallee. The demonstration's final rally will take place on Genscherallee. Between 9:00 and 11:00, significant traffic disruption and closures will be necessary along highway Bundesstraße 9 (B9) and Reuterstraße. The Bonn Police Department recommends that commuters and goods traffic vehicles should try to start their journeys earlier or avoid the area

during this time. City rail traffic (including trams) between Bonn and Bad Godesberg will not be affected by police security measures.

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The Bonn Police Department will keep citizens up to date about the traffic situation on their website bonn.polizei.nrw as well as on Twitter and Facebook. Additionally, the Bonn Police Department helpline can be reached on 0228/15 30 30 on Saturday, 04 November 2017, 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. and Monday, 06 November 2017, 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.