

Conference of the Irigaray Circle: Touching the World

Time: June 6-9, 2024

Place: University of Iceland, Oddi, Sæmundargata 2, 102 Reykjavík

Organizer: The University of Iceland, Institute of Philosophy

Keynote speakers: Mary Rawlinson, Fanny Söderbäck, Sigridur Thorgeirsdottir.

## **Practical Information**

### **Flights to and from Iceland**

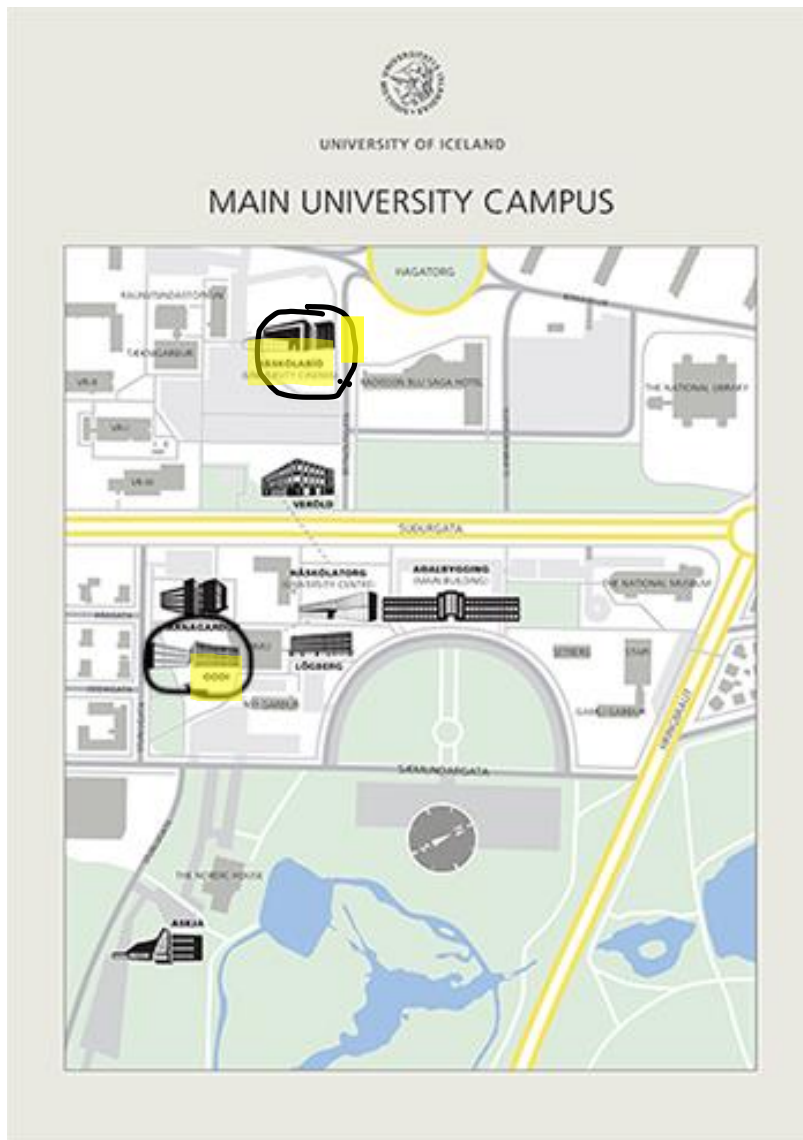
For flights to and from Iceland, there are several options. We recommend the usual search engines, such as [www.dohop.com](http://www.dohop.com)

### **Getting from the international airport to Reykjavík**

The international airport is about 50 km from Reykjavik. Note that there are no trains in Iceland. The most inexpensive way to travel from Keflavík International Airport (KEF) to downtown Reykjavík is by "Flybus". This transfer takes approximately 45 minutes. [For further information you can visit the website.](#)

### **Conference Venue**

The conference will be held at the University of Iceland, Sæmundargötu 2, 101 Reykjavík. The building on campus in which the conference will take place is called ODDI. The main cafeteria, HÁMA, is in Háskólatorg (The University Centre), but you can also have lunch in Veröld, Gróska and the Nordic House.



## Accommodation

Different categories of accommodation are available in Reykjavik. We anticipate that Reykjavik could be quite crowded during the conference period. Therefore, to secure the accommodation of your choice, we recommend that you book as early as possible.

- [www.studenthostel.is](http://www.studenthostel.is) is on the campus of the university.
- <https://www.kexhostel.is> is like a 20 minute walk from the university.

These two hotel chains have a number of hotels in Reykjavik and offer discounts:

- Fosshotel offers to use a discount link for the online booking engine that will grant a 10% discount. The code is: ADR34f6d2Ux. Fosshotel has the following hotels in Reykjavík:

- Fosshótel Reykjavík
- Fosshótel Baron
- Fosshótel Lind
- Fosshótel Rauðará
- Hótel Reykjavík Grand
- Hótel Reykjavík Centrum
- Hótel Reykjavík Saga
- Keahotels offer to use a discount link for the online booking engine that will grant a 10% discount from their best available rate if the booking is done from February 15 to March 14. The code is ART2024

## Climate and Clothing

Thanks to the Gulf Stream, Iceland enjoys a cool temperate ocean climate: cool in summer and fairly mild in winter. In Iceland, the average temperature in June typically ranges from 7 to 14 degrees Celsius (45 to 57 degrees Fahrenheit). In general, the weather is fairly unpredictable therefore visitors should be prepared for the unexpected. An old saying states: "If you don't like the weather in Iceland – just wait a minute." We recommend that you bring along lightweight woolens, a sweater or cardigan, a rainproof (weatherproof) coat and sturdy walking shoes.

## Swimming-pools and spas in Reykjavik

There are 7 public swimming-pools in Reykjavik. This means basically swimming pools and hot-tubs in almost any neighborhood. The geothermal pools have been recognized as a great source of natural therapy. The pools contain swimming facilities; they all have several hot-tubs and massage tubs and a steam bath or sauna. Single ticket for adults costs 1330 kr. More information is available on the following link: <https://reykjavik.is/en/swimming-pools>

## Credit Cards and currency exchange

Credit Cards are widely accepted in Iceland. The major cards in Iceland are EUROPAY/MASTERCARD and VISA. Diners and American Express are also accepted. Cash can be obtained at every bank branch as well as in all ATMs. Please note that there might be a difference between the official currency exchange rate in Iceland and the exchange rate that the credit card companies charge. The Icelandic monetary unit is the "króna". All Icelandic banks provide foreign exchange. Exchange rates of the Central Bank of Iceland can be assessed on the following website <https://www.cb.is/statistics/official-exchange-rate/>

It may not be possible for you to purchase Icelandic currency in your country.

## Electric current

The electric current in Iceland is 220volts, 50 HZ AC. Euro plug/Schuko-Plug (CEE types).

### **Health, Pharmacies, Emergency and Medical help**

Water is safe to drink from the tap throughout Iceland. Pharmacies are called "Apótek" and are open during normal business hours. Many are open at night. There is a medical centre or a hospital in all major cities and towns in Iceland. The emergency phone number (24 hours) in Iceland is 112.

### **Travel safety**

Road and driving conditions, weather and other natural forces can be dangerous in Iceland so it is necessary to be well informed and prepared. The Icelandic Association for Search and Rescue therefore asks visitors to start their journey here: [www.safetravel.is](http://www.safetravel.is)

### **Various other tourist information sites:**

- The official travel guide to Iceland: [www.visiticeland.com](http://www.visiticeland.com)
- The official tourism website of the Reykjavík Capital Area: [www.visitreykjavik.is](http://www.visitreykjavik.is)
- Check the weather in Iceland: [www.vedur.is](http://www.vedur.is)
- Blue Lagoon Spa In Iceland: [www.bluelagoon.com](http://www.bluelagoon.com), Sky Lagoon Spa: <https://www.skylagoon.com>
- Iceland Review - What's on in Iceland: [www.whatson.is](http://www.whatson.is)
- Keflavik International Airport in Iceland: [www.airport.is/english](http://www.airport.is/english)

### **Excursions**

Various excursions are available. For scheduled tours from Reykjavik [you can click here](#).