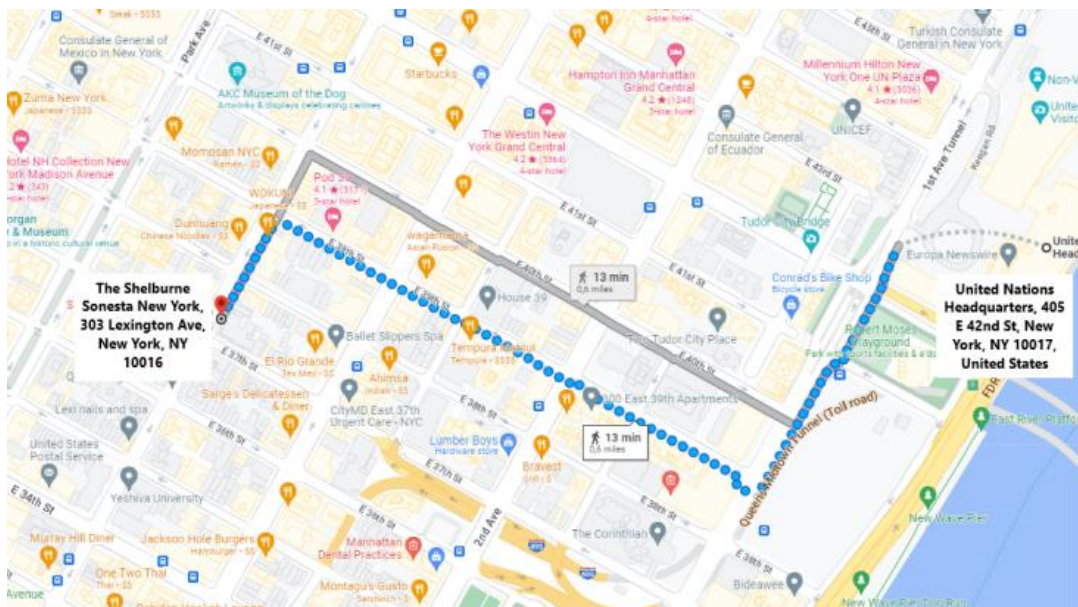


# CSW69 - PRACTICAL INFORMATION

## Hotel information

Most of you are staying at the Shelburne Sonesta. It takes about 13 minutes' walk to the UN Headquarters. **Please ensure you bring a valid credit card with you. The hotel will require it for the guarantee upon check-in.**

**THE SHELBURNE SONESTA, NEW YORK**  
**303 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10016**



## Key moments

### 9th March:

- 10:00: **Informal EI breakfast** with the EI delegation at the Shelburne hotel. The exact time is yet to be determined.
- 12:30-2:30, Church Center. **Trade Union** gathering.

*After this meeting, we can walk together to collect the access badges at the UN offices (**you will need the UN official letter to collect the access badges**).*

### **11 March:**

- 8:00-9:00: TU virtual briefing <https://ituc-csiorg.zoom.us/j/85644885619?pwd=bW7nwmFKWfwbpBLXhqp>
- Photo moment at UN main building doors, *time TBC*

### **12 March:**

- 14:00-18:00: EI co-organize the Transformational Feminist Leadership for a Just World event alongside Akina Mama wa Afrika and CIWO on March 12, 2025 (2 PM - 6 PM, Venue TBD).

### **13th March:**

- 17:00-20:00: Informal get-together with EI delegation. More details will follow soon. The evening reception will be held at the Public Employee Federation (PEF). Address: *100 William Street, Suite 1700, New York, NY 10038.*

### **14th March:**

- 12:30 - 14:00 (Church Centre, 11th Floor) - TRADE UNION PARALLEL EVENT "Women's labour rights, social justice and democracy "Trade Union parallel event.

## **Collection of UN ground passes**

Ground pass collection takes place at the **UN Pass & ID Office at 320 East 45th Street** (between First and Second Avenue), outside of UN premises. Do not proceed to the main entrance of the United Nations until you have collected your grounds pass.

Grounds pass collection hours:

Friday, 7 March: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Saturday, 8 March: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Sunday, 9 March: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Monday, 10 March: 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

(It remains open during the week)

**Representatives must bring their CSW69 confirmation letters as well as a valid passport.**

To facilitate quick communication while we are in New York, we will create a WhatsApp group for the EI Delegation, please share your cell phone number if you want to be added to the group.

We have two EI staff members arriving in New York on the 8th of March:

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## General information

### GETTING TO NYC

**JFK, Newark and La Guardia** are New York's airports.

#### **John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK)**

AirTrain and Subway: Take the AirTrain to Jamaica Station or Howard Beach Station, then transfer to the subway. The total cost is around \$10.50 and the journey takes about 50-60 minutes.

AirTrain and Long Island Rail Road (LIRR): Take the AirTrain to Jamaica Station, then transfer to the LIRR. This option costs between \$12.25 and \$18.50 and takes about 35-45 minutes.

Taxi or Ride-Hailing Services: A taxi ride to Manhattan has a flat fare of \$52 plus tolls and tips, taking around 45-60 minutes depending on traffic.

#### **Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR)**

AirTrain and NJ Transit: Take the AirTrain to Newark Liberty Airport Station, then transfer to an NJ Transit train to Penn Station. This option costs about \$15 and takes around 45-50 minutes.

Taxi or Ride-Hailing Services: A taxi ride to Manhattan costs around \$50-\$70 plus tolls and tips, taking about 30-45 minutes depending on traffic.

#### **LaGuardia Airport (LGA)**

Bus and Subway: Take the Q70 SBS bus to Jackson Heights-Roosevelt Avenue, then transfer to the subway. The total cost is \$2.75 and the journey takes about 45-60 minutes.

Taxi or Ride-Hailing Services: A taxi ride to Manhattan costs around \$30-\$40 plus tolls and tips, taking about 30-45 minutes depending on traffic.

Air Train official website: [Air Train](#)

## CLIMATE

March is one of the most changing weather months in NYC. Some of New York's worst snowstorms happened in March.

Comfortable footwear is a must, distances in New York can be long. **Make sure you bring warm clothes as well.**

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## Time zone

### Eastern Standard Time

Time zone in New York, NY, USA (GMT-5)

## Electricity, plugs and sockets

The power plug used in the States is Type A; an ungrounded plug with two flat parallel prongs. If the sockets are different in your country, you can buy an adapter in any hardware store before your visit or once in New York City.

The electric voltage in the U.S. is 120V. Currently, most appliances are compatible with up to 220V.



Type A: This socket has no alternative plugs



Type B: This socket also works with plug A

## Emergency number 911

## Currency

The currency used in New York, as in the rest of the United States, is the US Dollar (USD). Here are a few tips for handling currency during your visit:

**ATMs:** Widely available throughout the city. Using ATMs affiliated with your home bank can help avoid extra fees.

**Credit and Debit Cards:** Accepted almost everywhere, including taxis, restaurants, and shops.

**Currency Exchange:** Available at airports, banks, and dedicated exchange offices. However, be aware that exchange rates at airports and hotels may not be the best.

**Mobile Payments:** Services like Apple Pay, Google Wallet, and Samsung Pay are commonly accepted.

It's always a good idea to have some cash on hand for small purchases and tips.