

16th UNESCO-APEID INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE 21-23 November 2012, Bangkok, Thailand

INFORMATION SHEET

Venue of the Conference

The 16th UNESCO-APEID International Conference will be held at Pullman Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand.

Pullman Bangkok King Power 8/2 Rangnam Road Thanon-Phayathai, Ratchathewi Bangkok 10400 Thailand

Tel. +66 (0)2 680 9999 Fax. +66 (0)2 680 9998

Email: hotel@pullmanbangkokkingpower.com

Below is the name of hotel and address in Thai to assist you when using public transport.

โรงแรมพูลแมน ซอยรางน้ำ 8/2 ถนนรางน้ำ พญาไท ราชเทวี กทม



Accommodation

The **Pullman Hotel** is offering conference participant special rates, inclusive of breakfast and free internet.

Single Room: Baht 2800 nett Double room: Baht 3000 nett

Website: http://www.pullmanbangkokkingpower.com/

For Room Reservation: hotel@pullmanbangkokkingpower.com or contact the Conference Secretariat if you

need any assistance.

Other hotels

Participants should contact the hotels directly for their room reservations specifying that they are attending the UNESCO-APEID Conference.

Royal View Resort Rangnam

Website: http://royalviewresort.com

For Room Reservation: <u>marketing@royalviewresort.com</u>

Century Park Hotel

Website: www.centuryparkhotel.com

For Room Reservation: info@centuryparkhotel.com

Novotel Fenix Ploenchit

Website: www.novotelbangkokploenchit.com

For room Reservation: H7176-SL7@accor.com; H7176-RE@accor.com

Phachara Suites Bangkok

Website: www.phacharasuites.com

For Room Reservation: onusa.t@phacharasuites.com

However, there are many other options available through the internet to cater to individual needs and budgets. Do check their websites for more details.

November is the beginning of the high tourist season. Flights and hotels are more expensive and can be fully booked. It is advisable to make your reservations as early as possible.

Travel from the airport to the Conference venue

Please note that since 1 October 2012, budget airlines such as AirAsia have relocated to Don Muang International Airport. All other international arrivals will land at the Suvarnabhumi International Airport. Please check with your airline/travel agent to confirm your destination.

a. Taxi

The most convenient way to get from the Suvarnabhumi International Airport to the city is by taxi. There are two kinds of taxis: the more expensive limousine taxi and the regular meter taxi. If you wish to take an airport limousine, check with the limousine counter inside the airport.

Traveling from Suvarnabhumi International Airport to the hotel

To travel from the Bangkok Suvarnabhumi International Airport to your hotel, use a metered taxi located outside the airport building one floor below the arrival hall. Follow signs for "Public Taxi". Tell your destination to the staff at the taxi counter, and you will receive a ticket which you should keep in case you encounter any problem. You need to pay the expressway toll when you get to the toll gates (around Baht 70). The taxi fare to the hotel is approximately Baht 250 but you have to pay an additional service surcharge of Baht 50 on top of the price shown on the meter for taxis leaving the airport.

Traveling from Don Muang International Airport to the hotel

Taking a metered taxi is the most convenient ground transport option when getting to/from the airport. The taxi stand is located outside the Arrival Hall. Most destinations to downtown Bangkok cost around 200-250 baht. Add a 50-baht surcharge, plus any toll way expenses, to your fare when you arrive at the hotel.

b. Train - Airport Link to Suvarnabhumi International Airport only

The Airport Link has 2 transit options. Both the Commuter and Express lines operate from 6.00 am to midnight daily. A single-trip journey costs between 15 and 45 Baht for the commuter service and 150 Baht for the express service. The Suvarnabhumi Station is located under the main terminal building (B1 Level, two floors below the Arrival Hall).

SA City Line – Commuter Train

This line provides service between Phaya Thai Station to the end terminal at Suvarnabhumi Airport within 30 minutes, which stops at 6 stations along the way such as Ratchaprarop Station, Makkasan Station, Ramkhamhaeng Station, Hua Mark Station, Ban Thap Chang Station and Lat Krabang Station. It covers a distance of 28 kilometers.

SA Express Line

This line provides service between Bangkok City Air Terminal (BCAT) from Makkasan to Suvarnabhumi Airport within 15 minutes, which stops only at Makkasan Station (original terminal) and Suvarnabhumi Station (end terminal).



For more detail, go to http://airportraillink.railway.co.th/en/index.html.

Visa requirements

The Thai Ministry of Foreign Affairs website, http://www.mfa.go.th/main/en/services/123, provides some information about visa requirements, but it is advisable to check with the Thai diplomatic or consular mission in your country to find out if you need a visa for Thailand. Participants who require a visa to enter Thailand should obtain one from the Thai diplomatic or consular mission prior to entering Thailand. Please note that in most cases, a passport must be valid for at least six months in order to obtain a visa.

Climate in Bangkok

Many people like to visit Bangkok between November and January. The average temperature at this time of the year may range between 25°C (77°F) and 30°C (86°F). Since the conference rooms are air-conditioned, it can be rather cold inside. The dress code for the conference is smart casual, so a light jacket or shawl would be appropriate.

Currency Exchange

The currency exchange rate is subject to change daily. The exchange rate for cash is slightly lower than for travellers' cheques. Banks and currency exchange kiosks are available in the airport and hotels. Your hotel may also have currency exchange facilities.

Medical Services

Bangkok has many hospitals that are of high international standards. In case of medical emergency, please contact the hotel's information desk for further assistance.

For more information

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