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BILT Bridging Event
TVET for hospitality and tourism: Solutions for the digital and green transition

Logistical Information Note

When The conference will take place on **26-28 June 2023**, starting each day at **9:00 am**.

Where



Temasek Polytechnic
21 Tampines Ave 1, Singapore 529757

Arrival at Changi Airport (Singapore) Upon your arrival at the Changi Airport, exit the arrival gate and you will see signages that guide you to the taxi stand. Taxis are readily available for hire at the taxi stands in the arrival areas of Terminals 1, 2, 3 and 4. All fares are metered.

If you are comfortable with using public transport, it is very easy and safe to take the metro from the airport to the hotel. Follow the signs to the 'MRT' and take the East-West-Line (green) to 'Lavender'. You can use your contactless credit card to pay the fare, or purchase a pre-paid 'EZ-Link' card at the Changi Airport station.

Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA) and terminal fares will be provided while in Singapore, as applicable.

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Accommodation and meals

The accommodation is at:

V Hotel Lavender

70 Jellicoe Rd, Singapore 208767

E-Mail: vbn-res@vhotel.sg

Phone: +65 6345 2233

Note: If you have any questions or require any assistance regarding your flight and hotel arrangement, please contact the event's dedicated travel agent (Safe2Travel): vitaltraveldesk@safe2travel.com

Your room will be booked for you based on your flight schedule. Payment of the room for all nights from **25-29 June 2023** (depending on the flight connections and distance) will be made by our host, Temasek Polytechnic. Check-in goes smoothly by showing your passport / ID card at the front desk.

If you are planning to stay additional nights, please note you will have to cover the additional costs by yourself. The appointed Travel Agent (Safe2Travel) will liaise with you regarding the payment arrangement for the additional nights.

Meals

Breakfast is included in the hotel booking and will be served at the hotel's restaurant.

Temasek Polytechnic will offer **lunch** each conference day as well as **dinner** on **26 June 2023**. UNESCO-UNEVOC will offer **dinner** on **27 June 2023**. Apart from that, other meals will be self-paid.

Local transport for study visits and dinner

A group transfer has been organized to transport participants from the V Hotel Lavender to Temasek Polytechnic for all three mornings (at 8:00 AM SGT, right outside the hotel lobby), study visit and joint dinner, as well as to the dinner on 26 June 2023.

Good to know

Location:

Singapore is a city, a nation, and a state. It is a country in Asia with a current population of about 5.9 million.

Languages:

The working language in Singapore is English. Many Singaporeans also speak an additional language, usually Mandarin Chinese, Malay or Tamil.

Climate:

Singapore is hot and humid all year-round, with temperatures usually reaching over 30°C, however interiors and public transport are very well cooled. Travellers are encouraged to be prepared for rain at any time, which can be torrential but usually brief.

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Currency

The Singapore dollar is used here, and notes come in denominations of S\$2, S\$5, S\$10, S\$50, S\$100, S\$1,000 and S\$10,000. Coins come in 5, 10, 20 and 50 cents and S\$1.

In Singapore, there are Banks and ATMs where foreign currencies such as Dollars and Euros can be changed to local currency for ease of transactions. The local banks have **ATM machines which are VISA enabled** and dispense currencies in local denominations. **Credit cards** are also used in a number of facilities, including hotels, transport and shopping malls.

Transport

By Public Transport

Singapore's MRT (Mass Rapid Transit) and bus systems have an extensive network of routes that will help you navigate around the city. Most of Singapore's popular attractions are just a short walk away from an MRT station, making our trains a great way to get around.

Our bus routes are also some of the most scenic, allowing you to indulge in the lush greenery and beautiful architecture of our 'city in a garden'. All public buses are wheelchair accessible and open strollers are allowed.

Visitors can use the following payment options for their respective MRT or bus journeys:

1. Get a Singapore Tourist Pass (STP), a special EZ-Link stored-value card which will allow you unlimited travel for one, two or three days. The Pass can be bought at the TransitLink Ticket Office at selected MRT stations listed [here](#).
2. You can use your foreign-issued Mastercard® and Visa contactless bank cards, as well as your mobile wallets for the payment of public transport fares in Singapore. No registration is required.
3. Adult Stored-Value Smartcard (EZ-Link / NETS FlashPay): These cost \$10 and come with a stored value of \$5 for you to use on your commutes. You'll be able to purchase these at Passenger Service Centres in train stations, any [Transitlink Ticket Office](#) or convenience stores such as 7-11, Buzz and Cheers.

By Taxi or Ride-Hailing Apps

Taxis are comfortable and especially handy if you want to go to places not accessible by the bus or MRT. Cabs here are metered, but there may be surcharges depending on when, where and which company's taxi you board.

To get a rough idea of the final fare, check with the driver on the surcharges and ask for a receipt at the end of the trip. You can also check out [this website](#) for a quick and easy comparison.

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You can hail a taxi by the roadside at most places, or by queuing for one at a taxi stand, which you'll find at most malls, hotels and attractions.

Alternatively, you may use one of the ride-hailing applications available in Singapore to book a ride from your preferred pick-up point to your desired destination. Some options available include [Grab](#), [Gojek](#), [Ryde](#) and [TADA](#).

Communication

With an Internet penetration of 92% in 2022 and multiple options to get online, finding a way to connect in Singapore is bound to be a breeze. Portable WiFi options are available the moment you touch down in Singapore, and access to the Internet is never more than a few clicks away.

Here are some ways to access the Internet:

1. **Prepaid SIM card** - If you wish to continue making calls and sending messages on your mobile phone, purchase a Singapore prepaid SIM card. Veteran local telcos—like [M1](#), [Singtel](#) and [Starhub](#)—offer a wide variety of packages and travel sim cards, so take a little time to decide which plan best suits your needs. Prepaid SIM cards are easily purchased at the telcos' retail counters and islandwide convenience stores like 7-Eleven and Cheers, as well as at Singapore Changi Airport's [Changi Recommends](#) booths and telco retail counters.
2. **Pocket Wi-Fi** - Pocket WiFi devices are available for rental at the [Changi Recommends](#) counters at Singapore Changi Airport, and you can conveniently drop off the devices at the Changi Recommends counters just before your return flight.
3. **Free Public Wi-Fi** - Wireless@SGx: This is a free public Wi-Fi service right across Singapore. You'll find hotspots in malls, museums, MRT stations, public libraries and more.

Yellow fever certificate requirements

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Produce an International Certificate of Vaccination for Yellow Fever, if you have visited any [country at risk of Yellow Fever transmission](#) in the past six (6) days before arrival in Singapore.

Travellers must serve quarantine for up to six (6) days on arrival if they cannot meet the requirement. Quarantine also applies to those who are ineligible to receive the vaccination e.g., children aged one year and below and individuals with contraindications.

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General Travel

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All travellers are welcome to Singapore regardless of COVID-19 vaccination status. Travellers from eligible countries/regions will also be able to use the automated lanes during arrival for immigration clearance at our checkpoints under the [Automated Clearance Initiative](#).

From 13 February, all travellers can enter Singapore with no entry approvals, pre-departure tests, on-arrival tests, quarantine, and COVID-19 travel insurance required.

Your pre-departure checklist:

3 days before arrival (including the day itself): Submit [SG Arrival Card](#) and e-health declaration via the official and free e-service on the Immigration & Checkpoints Authority (ICA) website.

With our latest COVID-19 measures, explore the best of Singapore with greater peace of mind.

Mask-wearing is not required on public transport, indoor and outdoor places. However, masks are still needed when interacting with patients in healthcare and residential care settings.

Dine-in is allowed for all persons. This includes F&B establishments, hawker centres and coffee shops.

Should you feel unwell or test positive for COVID-19

The Singapore Ministry of Health (MOH) has issued an [advisory](#) that you should follow if you are feeling unwell, displaying COVID-19 symptoms or test positive while visiting Singapore.

Check your passport and travel documents before you travel

Passport validity

If you are visiting Singapore, your passport should be valid for 6 months from the date you arrive. You should have at least two blank pages in your passport on arrival. Check with the travel provider to make sure your passport and other travel documents meet the requirements.

Visas

Most visitors to Singapore do not require a visa for entry. Depending on your nationality, you need a visa to enter Singapore.

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For a list of countries that require a valid Visa for entry into Singapore, you can check the [Immigration & Checkpoints Authority](#) (ICA)'s website, or enquire at the [Singapore Overseas Mission](#) closest to you. Please note that the visa cost and processing fees will be borne by yourself.

Insurance

If you do not have insurance that covers you outside your country, we strongly encourage you to purchase an additional travel insurance. Please note however that any such insurance costs will not be borne/refunded by the organizers.

Contact information during the BILT Conference

For any additional assistance during the BILT Conference from 26-28 June 2023, or for further information, please contact:

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