Information Note for Participants

Workshop Venue

UNEP-IETC/GEC

(2nd Floor Meeting Room)

2-110, Ryokuchi-koen, Tsurumi-ku, Osaka 538-0036 Japan

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URL: http://www.unep.or.jp/

The UNEP-IETC/GEC building was built in 1993, with an energy-efficient and environmentally-sound building design, inside the Tsurumi-Ryokuchi Park.

Access:

UNEP-IETC/GEC building is a five-minute walk from "Tsurumi-Ryokuchi" station on the Osaka-city subway "Nagahori Tsurumi-Ryokuchi" Line.

For more details on access from the Kansai International Airport to the UNEP-IETC/GEC building, please see below the "**Transportation**" section.

Accommodation

Please make your own arrangements for accommodation. There are many accommodation options in Osaka. A useful website for selecting accommodation is:
http://www.osaka-info.jp/en/search/list/accomodations.php

One of the hotels that may be convenient to/from the Kansai International Airport and to the workshop venue is Hotel Keihan Kyobashi. The hotel is directly accessible from "North Exit"of JR Kyobashi station, which provides a direct link to/from Kansai International Airport for 75min. Room reservation can be made through e-mail or call to the hotel.

Hotel Keihan Kyobashi

- Address: 2-1-38 Higashinoda-chou Miyakojima-ku
  Osaka-city, Osaka Japan 534-0024
- Tel: +81-6-6353-0321
- Fax: +81-6-6354-4321
- E-mail: hkb@minos.ocn.ne.jp
- URL: http://www.hotelkeihan-kb.com/us/index.htm

Transportation

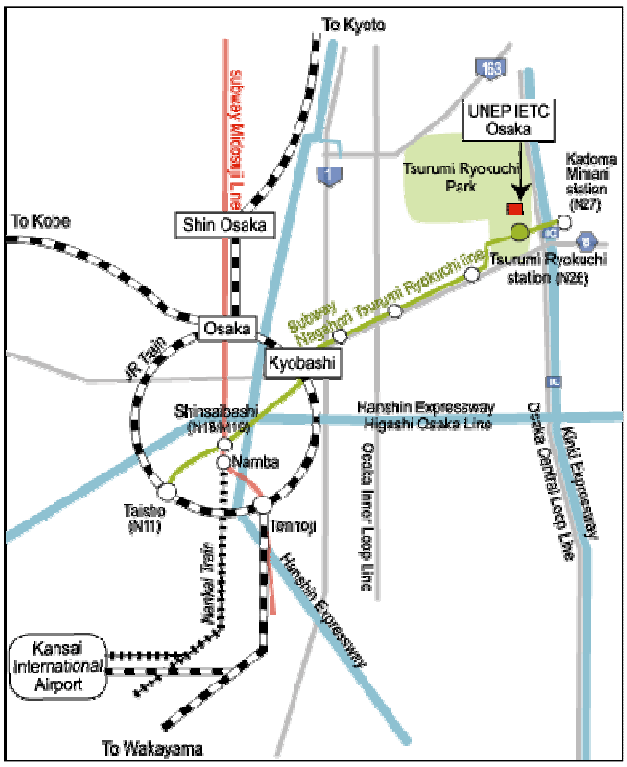
We will not be able to offer you pick-up service to and from the airport.
If you stay at Hotel Keihan Kyobashi, below information would be useful.

From Airport to Hotel Keihan Kyobashi

When you get out of the airport building, please go to the JR station (across the street).

To avoid changing trains, you are advised to take **a rapid train "Kanku-Kaisoku" bound for Kyobashi**, which will take you DIRECTLY to Kyobashi station.

The hotel is just at the exit of the Kyobashi station. A train ticket costs only JPY 1,160 (appx. USD 14).



From Hotel Keihan Kyobashi to the Workshop Venue

If you come from the Hotel Keihan Kyobashi, please take the Osaka city subway "Nagahori Tsurumi-Ryokuchi" Line bound for "Kadoma-Minami" from "Kyobashi" to "Tsurumi-Ryokuchi" station (9min, JPY 230/one-way), and the UNEP-IETC/GEC building is five-minute walk from the

Visa

Please **initiate visa application process well in advance**. You can find "Guide to Japanese Visas" at: http://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa
For more details, please contact the Consular Section of the Embassy or Consulate General of Japan nearest your office. Should you need any technical assistance, please contact us at your earliest convenience.

Travel Insurance

We cannot provide life, travel, medical or any other insurance or entitlements. Any of those arrangements shall be at your own discretion and expenses.

Weather

The weather in November in Osaka is normally clear and sunny with temperature ranging from 9℃ to 17℃. Generally, long sleeve shirts and jackets are appropriate during this time.

Electricity

100V and AC60Hz

For your tips getting around in Osaka, please visit http://www.osaka-info.jp/en/

We are looking forward to seeing you in Osaka, Japan!

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