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Conference Program now Available (click here)

Session Chairs now listed (Aug. 19).

- For general information, click the relevant topic in the menu shown left.
- Update information is provided in the <u>news articles</u>. Some latest headlines are <u>listed below</u>.
- . Important dates, topics are <u>listed below</u> as reminders.
- For specific issues, first have a look through the <u>Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) page</u> as well as the <u>Questions & Comments page</u>. You can add your own questions, views, comments from this page.
- ICMPC10 related sites (including this blogsite) can be searched by entering keywords in the "In-site search" box on top of the menu.

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Message from the Organizers

Welcome to the ICMPC10 official blogsite. We will update the site as new information becomes available.

The ICMPC10 will be a very special meeting for us, because the first meeting was held in Kyoto and organized by the founders of the host organization JSMPC.

The fields of Music Perception has grown much since the First ICMPC meeting.

We would like the 10th anniversary of our coming together to represent a step forward in conferencing: a chance to look back on our accomplishments and an opportunity to look forward to new challenges and unsolved problems within our fields.

As a first "new" step for the ICMPC, we have created a new community blogsite for participants to express wishes and contribute ideas in advance of our conference. By creating this blogsite, it is our hope to push the envelope of productivity.

Please consider the blogsite a chance to "have a coffee" in advance of our coming together, and contribute your ideas for how we can make the ICMPC10 the most productive and memorable ever.

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ICMPC 10 will be a joint event with the 3rd Triennial Conference of the Asia-Pacific Society for the Cognitive Sciences of Music (APSCOM 3) in association with the Korean Society for Music Perception and Cognition (KSMPC) and the Australian Music & Psychology Society (AMPS).

APSCOM was formed in 2000 at ICMPC 6, and the inaugural meeting was held in Fukuoka, Japan (2001), as a part of the Spring Meeting of the Japanese Society for Music Perception and Cognition (JSMPC). Since the meeting in Sydney, Australia (2002), the APSCOM meeting has been held every three years. The last meeting was held in Seoul, South Korea (2005).

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About this Blogsite

 This blogsite is intended to provide information about ICMPC10 & APSCOM3 in coordination with the ICMPC10 official website:

http://icmpc10.psych.let.hokudai.ac.jp/

• This blogsite is run and maintained by the organizers of ICMPC10. The main contributors are:

Mayumi Adachi (Hokkaido University) Yuzuru Hiraga (Univ. of Tsukuba)

- This blogsite is powered by TypePad
- **Note:** All dates/time appearing in this blogsite are in JST (Japan Standard Time), which is +09:00 UTC (GMT). Adjust it to your local timezone if necessary.
- Any corrections, comments, suggestions to this blogsite is welcome.

Post open comments from the <u>Questions/Comments</u> page, or send email directly to the <u>contact address</u>.

Terms of Use

- The copyright of all pages of this blogsite belong to the ICMPC10 organizers. No part of this blogsite can be copied and redistributed without prior written permission from the organizers.
- The pages of this blogsite are *link-free* -- links can be made without any permission by or notification to the organizers (although we do appreciate, for the record, your <u>notifying us</u> of any links made).
- It is *strongly* recommended that links be made to only the top page:

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Revision History

- [2007/11/25] Updates following Start of Submission.
- [2007/09/24] Major revision: Added "Access/Maps" and "FAQ" entries, in-site search box, and revised other pages.
- [2007/09/07] Start of the major revision ot the whole blogsite.
- [2006/12/--] Initial revision of the blogsite.
- [2006/08/--] Initial setup of the blogsite.

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- . #6 (2007/12/21): Young Researcher Award
- #5 (2007/12/14) (Finished) Temporary Shutdown of Submission System
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News #12: Shuttle Service from New Chitose Airport

 Skybus Sapporo provides door to door transport services between New Chitose Airport and anywhere in Sapporo City.

For ICMPC10 delegates, we can apply the following special rate when two or more persons book our service to go to the same destination (e.g., the same hotel, the same airport). When you book, just let us know you are associated with ICMPC10.

First passenger - 3500jpy. Additional passengers - 1500jpy each.

- Skybus is also available for Charter anywhere in Hokkaido.
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- Please contact Skybus in your language or for more information, visit their website.
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- . "The Social Program for Delegates and Accompanying Persons" will be organized by the ICMPC10 Organizing Committee in cooperation with the Sapporo International Communication Plaza Foundation (Sapporo Convention Bureau). A close look at traditional Japanese culture such as Kimono wearing and tea ceremory, and active interaction with local residents will familiarize you with the city of Sapporo.
- Most programs require advanced bookings. Details are available at the folloiwng site. http://www.conventionsapporo.jp/ICMPC10.html

Jul 21, 2008 at 14:05 | Permalink

News #10: Conference Program now available

. The conference program is now available from:

http://www.slis.tsukuba.ac.jp/icmpc10/ Program.html

• We deeply apologize for the huge delay in announcing the problem.

Jul 15, 2008 at 14:47 | Permalink

News #9: Submission Deadline/ Registration Fee/Pre-conference Workshop

Submission Deadline

Some people contacted us regarding extension of submission deadline fortheir abstract/full-paper. If you have not sumbmitted abstract/full-paper despite your intention to present your research at ICMPC10, please send an e-mail to "ICMPC10 Manuscript Submissions"

<manuscripts@causalproductions.com> AND <icmpc10submit@slis.tsukuba.ac.jp>, and express your intention.
Then, submit your abstract/full-paper to "ICMPC10
Manuscript Submissions" <manuscripts@causalproductions.
com> by 19 May (Mon) 9AM JST.

Registration Fee

Early Registration Fee has been closed on 16 May (Fri) 5PM JST. If you have not registered, "Pre-conference Registration Fee" will be applied until **25 July (Fri) 5PM JST**.

Pre-conference Workshop for Students

Of three pre-conference workshops, the booking for "WS-2: Quantitative methodology for music psychology (Dr. Glenn Schellenberg)" has been filled.

A few more seats are still available for

"WS-1: Qualitative methodology for music psychology (Dr. Jane Davidson)" and

"WS-3: Theoretical content and quality control in music psychology (Dr. Richard Parncutt)"

as of 17 May (Sat) 8AM JST.

If you are not a student but still are interested in participating in a workshop, please send an e-mail to our Registration & Reservation Secretariat <hkd-ec5@or.knt.co.jp>, who will put your name on the waiting list and let you know when a seat becomes available for you.

May 17, 2008 at 14:48 | Permalink

News #8: Notification of Acceptance/ Rejection

- The acceptance/rejection of submissions has been notified to the authors by email on April 11, 2008.
- The deadline of full paper/abstracts for accepted submissions is May 15, 2008.
 See the <u>Submissions Page</u> for details.

Apr 25, 2008 at 00:47 | Permalink

News #7: Submission Deadline Extended

The deadline for submissions has been extended from the previously announced Jan. 15, 2008 to:

Jan. 31, 2008

For details about the new deadline, click here.

Jan 09, 2008 at 04:25 | Permalink

News #6: Young Researcher Award

The document on the details of application for the Young Researcher Award -- including instructions on the full-paper

submission (due by Jan. 31, 2008) -- is now available at the ICMPC10 official site.

Click here to download the document (PDF file, 54KB)

[2007/12/31] The application form for uploading full paper files is now available in the Submission Site.

Dec 21, 2007 at 11:50 | Permalink

News #5: (Finished) Submission System Shutdown

(The maintenance work is finished and the submission system is back to normal service. (07/12/15)

The <u>ICMPC10 Submission System</u> will not be accessible during **2007/12/15 0:00-9:00 (GMT)** due to system maintenance. The time is approximate and may vary by a few hours.

Sorry for the inconvenience.

Dec 14, 2007 at 01:54 | Permalink

News #4: Submission Procedure Started

. ICMPC10 Submission Procedure Has Started NEW!!

The procedure for all ICMPC10 submissions has started on Nov. 25, 2007. Due to the delay in preparation, the deadline for submissions has been postponed to:

Jan. 15, 2008

(new deadline: previous deadline was Dec. 20, 2007).

We are very sorry for the delay, and invite your submissions for a successful conference.

. Submissions are processed online at the "ICMPC10 Submission Page" at:

http://www.slis.tsukuba.ac.jp/

icmpc10/

Please visit the page, and as your first task, register your user account on the system (this will take only a few minutes). By creating your account, you will be assigned your *personal page*, where all submission activities will take place.

. "Call for Papers" is available at the ICMPC Official Website Page.

Nov 25, 2007 at 05:54 | Permalink

News#3: JSPS grant

ICMPC10 has been awarded the grant for "the 2008 International Meetings in Japan" by <u>JSPS (Japan Society for the Promotion of Science)</u> (2007/08/23).

Sep 07, 2007 at 00:00 | Permalink

News#2: CFP

- . "Call for Papers" is available at the ICMPC Official Website Page.
- . The deadline for all submissions is Dec. 20, 2007 **Jan. 15, 2008.**

Sep 07, 2007 at 00:00 | Permalink

News#1: Blogsite

- . [2007/09/07] The ICMPC10 Blogsite has been completely revised.
- . [2007/09/09] The <u>Questions /</u> <u>Comments</u> page has been revised.
- . [2007/09/24] Further information on

Blogsite updates will appear in the Revision History section.



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Submissions

Acceptance/Rejection Notice

 The result of acceptance/rejection has been notified to the authors by email on April 11, 2008.
 The same information is also available in your personal page.

Full Paper / Abstract Submission

- Authors of accepted submissions are required to submit a full paper and/or abstract of their work.
- . To the authors who haven't replied whether they will present their work at the conference or withdraw your submission -- please do so from your <u>personal page</u> as soon as possible. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.
- Instructions and guidelines for preparing your paper are given in the following page.

http://www.slis.tsukuba.ac.jp/icmpc10/lib/fullpaper.

 The deadline of full paper/abstract submission is May 15, 2008.

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. [Updated 08/08/19] Session chair list now available.

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Conference Registration and Reversation for Accommodations is now available in the following page.

http://www.knt.co.jp/ec/2008/icmpc_10/index.html

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Overview & Geography

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 The host city of ICMPC10. Sapporo is the capital of Hokkaido
 Prefecture -- the northernmost of the four main islands of Japan.
- . Sapporo Tourist Association
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The main gateway to Sapporo & Hokkaido, located about 40km (25 mi) southeast of city center. Major domestic flights (and some international flights) arrive here.

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The central terminal of Sapporo; with access to railways (including rapid trains from the airport), subways, and buses.

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From Overseas to Japan

- Most of the international flights to Japan arrive at one of the three airports:
 - » Narita International Airport
 - » Kansai International Airport
 - » Central Japan International Airport(Centrair)

From these airports, take domestic transit flights to <u>New Chitose</u> <u>Airport</u> (See <u>transit flight summary</u> below).

- Some flights from Asia arrive directly at <u>New Chitose Airport</u>. There are also Asian flights to other Japanese airports.
- Note: All the time and schedule information listed below are approximate, and is of Sept. 2007. Required time for individual flights/rides may vary.

Summary of Transit Filghts to Sapporo: New Chitose Airport

District/	/Airport	Distance (mi/ (km))	Flight Time	Flights/day
Tokyo	<u>Narita</u>	511 (822)	1:40	3+
	<u>Haneda</u>	311 (822)	1:35	51
Osaka	Kansai	668 (1075)		10†
	<u>Itami</u>		1:55	3
	<u>Kobe</u>			6
Nagoya	<u>Centrair</u>	615 (990)	1:40	15†

Domestic Carriers

- ANA (All Nippon Airways)
- JAL (Japan Airlines)
- Skymark Airlines (From Haneda only)
- †: Some flights are code-shared with foreign carriers. Check individual flights for details.

Narita International Airport (Tokyo Metropolitan district)

Main gateway to Japan. Since Narita is primarily for international flights, there are only a limited number of direct flights to Sapporo (3 flights/day). So the common choice would be transferring to Haneda Airport for domestic flights. Depending on your time of arrival, staying overnight in Tokyo might be more convenient.

Ground Transportation from Narita Airport

Destination	Method		Time (min.)	Rides (per hr.)	Fare (yen)
Haneda Airport	Limousine Bus		70†	3-5	3,000
Tokyo Station	JR East (rail)	<u>N'EX</u>	55	1-2	3,140
		Rapid	90	1	1,280
Ueno Station	Keisei (rail)	Skyliner	56	1-2	1,920

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- † May be delayed considerably in case of traffic jams.
- * N'EX (Narita Express: JR) and Skyliner (Keisei) are limited express trains requiring extra charge.
 - Narita International Airport top page Wiki
 - Domestic Services & Transit Information
 - Ground Transportation
 Rail Buses & Taxis To & From Haneda Airport
 - Terminal Guide Maps
 - Railway stations (for both JR and Keisei) are underground, beneath the terminal buildings. Narita has two terminal buildings (Terminal 1 & 2), and each have their own station (see "Terminal Guide Map" above).
 - Bus departures leave at ground level, and arrivals stop at the upper deck (for "Flight Departures"), in front of each terminal building.
 - So when coming to Narita (by rail or by bus), be careful to get off at the proper station/stop.

. Tokyo International Airport (Haneda Airport)

Hub airport for domestic flights from Tokyo metropolitan district; and one of the busiest airports in the world. Closer than Narita to downtown areas of Tokyo (30-50 mins. from Tokyo station, Ueno, Shinjuku, or Shibuya).

The only international flights at Haneda are chartered flights (from e.g. Seoul, Shanghai).

Ground Transportation to/from Haneda Airport

Tokyo Monorail	Hamamatsu-cho ⇔Haneda 23 min; <u>470 yen</u>
Keikyu Railway (in Japanese)	Shinagawa ⇔Haneda 19 min; <u>400 yen</u>
(various	Airport Limousine Keikyu Bus

- Haneda Airport Terminal top page Wiki
- JAL (and Skymark) flights arrive/depart at Terminal 1, while ANA flights arrive/depart at Terminal 2. So be careful about which Terminal Building you are headed for. The two buildings are about 400m apart and connected by an underground path (with moving sidewalks), as well as free shuttle buses.
- The monorail station is underground beneath the terminal buildings, each with their own station.
 The Keikyu line station is underground and spans the two terminal buildings, so exit at the front end (for Terminal 2) or the back end (for Terminal 1).
- Bus departures leave at ground level, and arrivals stop at the upper deck (for "Flight Departures"), in front of each terminal building.

Kansai International Airport (Kansai/Osaka district)

Hub airport of the Kansai/Osaka District. Direct transit between

international and domestic flights is available. For those staying overnight in Kansai, taking domestic flights to Sapporo from Itami Airport or Kobe Airport is a possible option. Central areas of Osaka are about 30-40 mins. from the airport on Airport Express trains.

- Kansai International Airport top page Wiki Arrivals, Departures & Transit Information
- Osaka International Airport (Itami Airport) (in Japanese)
- Kobe Airport (Terminal Building page) (in Japanese)

Central Japan International Airport (Centrair) (Chubu/Nagoya district)

Main airport of the Chubu/Nagoya District. Direct transit between international and domestic flights is available. Central areas of Nagoya are about 30 mins. from the airport on Airport Express trains.

- Centrair top page Wiki
- Arrivals, Departures & Transit Information

From Airport to City Center

. New Chitose Airport Wiki

As the gateway to Hokkaido, the New Chitose Airport actually handles more passengers than either <u>Kansai Airport</u> or <u>Centrair</u>. Domestic flights fly here from all over Japan, and there are also international flights from Asia (including China, Hong Kong, Korea, and Taiwan). These flights may be convenient for participants from those countries/regions.

The airport is about 40km(25 mi) southeast of the city center of Sapporo (45km on rail from the Airport station to Sapporo Station). The most convenient way to reach city center is by the "Rapid Airport" train from the New Chitose Airport station to Sapporo station (36 min. ride; 4 trains/hr.). Other options are shuttle buses (to downtown including Sapporo station), taxis, and local buses (not recommended).

Ground Transportation from New Chitose Airport

Method	Destination	Time (min.)	Rides (per hr.)	Fare (yen)
JR Hokkaido (rail) "Rapid Airport"	Sapporo sta.	36	4	1,040*
Shuttle bus	(downtown)	75†	4	1,000
Shattle bas	Oyachi sta.‡	40	3	900
Taxi		60†		12,000

- * Add 300 yen for reserved seats (*U-seats*).
- † Expected time to Sapporo Station.
- ‡ Connects to Subway Tozai-line.
 - The New Chitose Airport Station is underground beneath the Terminal Building. Station Map (JR) Route Map (JR)
 - Buses/Taxis leave/arrive at the ground level in front of the Terminal Building.
 Shuttle buses headed for Sapporo have frequent stops in
 - the downtown Sapporo area (including Sapporo Station).
 - New Chitose Airport top page Wiki
 The top page shows region map.

Click "Bus Taxi" to see bus stops and taxi lanes.

. Riding "Rapid Airport" (and other railways)

The "Rapid Airport" (Kaisoku Airport) is destined for either Sapporo, Otaru or Asahikawa, all with stops at Sapporo.

The trains leave every 15 mins. starting from 8:34 and on the minutes 04, 19, 34, 49 of every hour (till 21:00; more irregular beyond to the final train on 22:50).

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \textbf{Timetable} & \underline{ \text{Airport} {\rightarrow} \text{Sapporo} } & \underline{ \text{Sapporo} {\rightarrow} \text{Airport} } \\ \end{array}$

Buying Tickets

(the following apply to other railways as well)

- Tickets for short distance are usually bought with vending machines near the ticket gate. (see photos)
- Look for your destination on the route map above the vending machines, and find out the fare. (In the case of Airport→Sapporo, remembering "1,040 yen" would suffice.)
- Insert money first. Most machines accept 10-500 yen coins and 1,000 yen bills, and some machines also accept 5,000 and 10,000 yen bills.
- Press the button showing the intended fare amount (in our case, 1040 yen). The ticket will come out with the change (in some cases, you might have to press the "change" button to get the change).
- Buying tickets with reserved seats (*U-seats*) are a bit more complicated, so you might better ask the station attendant (in the booth) for help.
 Although the reserved seats are more comfortable, there are also plenty of non-reserved seats (unless extremely

are also plenty of non-reserved seats (unless extremely crowded, in which case the reserved seats may also be sold out anyway), so choose your pick.

Boarding Trains

- Insert your ticket in the ticket gate machine, with the dark side (= magnetic coated side) down.
 Don't forget to retrieve your ticket that pops out on the other end of the gate machine -- you'll need it when getting off and on on-board ticket inspection.
- Getting out from the station is the same procedure, except that this time the ticket does not come out.
- Overhead electric signs show the track number, destination, and departure time of the trains. The signs alternate between Japanese and English. Take the train of your destination. Be careful not to take other trains -- take only the "Rapid Airport".
 - Note: Reserved seat cars are for those with reserved seat tickets only.
- "Rapid Airport" has pre-recorded English announcements announcing the next station, destination, etc.
 Get off at your destination (in our case, Sapporo Station).
- "Rapid Airport" (and other Japanese trains in general) is non-smoking. Mid- and long-distance trains (including "Rapid Airport") are equipped with toilets.

. Sapporo Station Station Map (JR) Wik

Sapporo Station is the central terminal of Sapporo, with access to Japan Railway (JR) lines, subways, and buses. After getting off "Rapid Airport":

Walking to the Hokkaido University Campus: Exit from the West Ticket Gate, Turn right and proceed to the North Exit of the West Concourse. **Boarding the subway** (*Nanboku-line*): (northbound for the northern part of the campus, or southbound for downtown Sapporo): Exit from the East Ticket Gate, and move downstairs to the subway entrance.

(See below for further direction guides.)

- JR Hokkaido (Hokkaido Railway Company) Wiki
 Route Map (in Japanese, station names in alphabet)
- Sapporo Municipal Subway (in Japanese)

 Wiki

Route map (in Japanese, station names in alphabet)
Route map (in English)

The fare depends on riding distance. The following table shows adjacent stations (connecting the university and downtown) on the *Namboku-line*. The fare is 200 yen between any of the two stations.

Station	Dist. (km)	Time (min.)	Fare (yen)
Kita Juhachi Jo			
Kita Juni Jo	0.8	1	
Sapporo	1.8	3	<u>200</u>
Odori	2.4	4	
Susukino	3.0	6	

- Photos of Station Facilities (pages in Japanese)
 - <u>Ticket vending machines, West Gate</u>
 - Ticket gates and booth, West Gate
 - Information Center, West Concourse

The Information Center has an extensive collection of free guide maps, leaflets and other sources in various languages (including English, Chinese, and Korean).

cf. Train Trips

For those with both interest and time for train trips, following options are available.

From Tokyo

- (day trains) Shinkansen (bullet train) and two transfers to ltd. express trains. Total time: 10 hrs., 5 connections/day.
- o (night trains with sleeping cars) 16 hrs., 2-3 trains/day.

From Osaka

 (night trains with sleeping cars) 21 hrs., 1 train/2 days (leaving Osaka on Mon., Wed. Fri. and Sat.).

Since the night trains are all quite popular, reservations should be made well in advance.

Conference Venues

. Hokkaido University (Sapporo Campus) wik

Area Map

Campus Map (PDF: 1.9 MB (careful!))

Google Map (map itself is in Japanese)

Location of the ICMPC10 main conference venue. Sapporo Campus is the main campus of <u>Hokkaido University</u>, located northwest of <u>Sapporo Station</u>.

(Location numbers (1), (74) below correspond to the numbers in the detailed "Campus Map" above.)

Revised 08/08/13 due to change of map.

The **Main Gate (1)** is less than 400*m* from Sapporo Station (North Exit, West Concourse) -- about a 5-min. walk.

You can ask for campus maps at the guard's booth on the left of the Main Gate.

The conference venue is **Center for Research and Development in Higher Education (74)**; which is 1.2km north of the Main Gate.

So in summary, the conference site is about 1.6km (1 mi.) from Sapporo Station -- a 20-30 min. walk (mostly a pleasant walk through the campus).

Campus Bus (08/05/01)

There is also a free campus bus service that circulates the campus and connects the Main Gate and the conference venue (five busstops: see the hotel/map for the bus route).

For those from the subway (Namboku-line), the easiest way to the conference venue (74) is to get off at the "Kita 18-jo" (Kita juhachi jo) Station, which is the second station northbound from Sapporo Station (subway). From there, it is a 400m, 5-min. walk westward to the conference venue. This will be convenient for those staying in the downtown area.

. Moerenuma Park

The last day of the conference will be held at the additional venue of the Glass Pyramid "Hidamari" at Moerenuma Park.

Detailed information will be provided later.

. Hotel Location (08/05/01)

Hotel Map (PDF 134KB)

The above map shows the location of hotels provided by the tour agent *Knt!*.

All hotels/ lodgings are within walking distance from the conference site (except for Sapporo International Youth Hostel).

. **Hotel Websites** (08/08/12)

- JR TOWER HOTEL NIKKO SAPPORO http://www.jrhotels.co.jp/tower/english/hotel.html
- SAPPORO WASHINGTON HOTEL http://www.sapporo-wh.com/en.html

 Map in Japanese
- HOTEL FINO SAPPORO <u>http://www.hotelfino.jp/sapporo/english/access/index.html</u>
- TOYOKO-INN SAPPORO EKI NISHIGUCHI HOKUDAI-MAE http://www.toyoko-inn.com/e_hotel/00018/index.html
- TOYOKO-INN SAPPORO-EKI KITAGUCHI http://www.toyoko-inn.com/e_hotel/00066/index.html

Travel Tips

- (See also the FAQ Page for related information.)
- . Summer Vacation Season

Hokkaido is a popular summer vacation resort; and although late August is off-peak of the busiest periods, it is strongly advised to make reservations (especially for domestic flights) well in advance.

The peak period is about August 11-20 (the traditional homecoming period of *Obon*); during which one should avoid moving around on domestic transportation.

. Street Names in Sapporo

Streets in Sapporo are in square blocks and the blocks have numbered names (which are also used for street names). Streets running east-west are called *Jo (dori)(dori<* tori: street), and those running north-south as *Choume (dori)*. The origin is at the corner of the Television Tower at *Odori*(Main avenue) and *Souseigawa-dori*, and the streets are numbered with the prefix of the direction they extend:

Kita northMinami southNishi westHigashi east

For example, the Main Gate of Hokkaido University is at the corner of "Kita 9-jo-dori" & "Nishi 5-choume-dori", while the subway station "Kita Juhachi Jo" (18-jo) is at the corner of "Kita 18-jo-dori" & "Nishi 4-choume-dori".

Each numbered street is 100m apart, making it easy to know the rough distance. In the example above, the Main Gate and subway station are 9 blocks apart in the N/S direction and 1 block apart E/W, so the block distance is about 1km (= 10 blocks).

. Language Accessibility

- English signs are available in major public facilities.
 Other Western languages are seldom supported.
- Airports and major stations also have signs written in Korean Hangul and Chinese Hanzi.
- Long distance trains, airport commutor trains have prerecorded on-board English announcements.
- Do not expect English fluency from ordinary attendants and clerks (including railway station staff), although you can expect helpful intentions.

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 - Knowing a few Japanese words, speaking slowly and clearly, writing things down (be it in English) will be of great help.
- Restaurants often have dish samples in display windows, and/or menus with photographs, which would be of great help in knowing what you can expect.

. Getting Information

- Information of various sorts can be obtained at information centers (, booths, guides) at airports, stations, hotel desks, etc.
- The <u>Information Center</u> at Sapporo Station, West Concourse is well recommended; with a large collection of information sources (in various languages) and attending staff.
- The conference kit will also include useful information sources, so you can wait till receiving them at the registration desk.

. Smoking Policy

 Generally speaking, smoking is not allowed in most public areas (airports, stations, major stores, public buildings and institutes, etc.); except in designated smoking areas. Non-

- smoking facilities do tend to have such smoking areas some place or the other.
- Smoking is prohibited on public transportation vehicles (airplanes, trains, buses, etc.); with the exception of longdistance trains with smoking cars (or rooms).
 Smoking on taxis would depend on individual cars.
- Restaurants, bars and other eating facilities have differing policies. Some are totally non-smoking, some accept smoking, while others have separate smoking and nonsmoking sections.
- Some (though not all) hotels have non-smoking rooms (and floors).
- Smoking in open public is legally restricted in the downtown area, and should be avoided in other places as well (as a matter of common sense). Smoke only where public ashtrays are available.
- Additional Note
 Starting July 2008, access of cigarette vending machines
 will be strictly restricted and would require pre-issued ID-cards.

. Accessibility for the Handicapped

Accessibility for the handicapped has greatly improved in the recent few years. Airports, major stations and other public facilities, including the conference venue, are equipped with elevators, wheelchair slopes and toilets. Sidewalks have sloped, barrier-free crossings.

Unfortunately, Kita Juhachi Jo Station, the subway station closest to the main venue, is one of the few subway stations without elevators or wheelchair toilets.

Note: The elevator is currently under construction but is not expected to be ready by the conference.

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Questions / Comments

You are welcome to share ideas with the organizers and other potential participants.

Click the "Comments" link on the bottom right corner to display the current comments and comment posting form.

Before asking a question, please have a look through the <u>Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) page</u> as well as the comments given below to see whether your question may have been already answered.

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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

- Search for relevant questions through the <u>Topics Index</u> and <u>Questions section</u>.
- . Click the question to jump to the <u>Answers section</u>.
- This is a growing FAQ. All contributions of questions, suggestions, etc. are welcome. Send your feedback from the <u>questions/</u> comments page or to the contact address.

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- 1. How do I arrive in Sapporo from abroad?
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- 1. What is ICMPC?
- 2. How can I read Web pages in Japanese?

Answers

General Information

- Q1 Are there other useful sites about visiting Japan?
- A1 Various useful links can be found throughout this Blogsite, so first try looking them up. For example, click here for information on the venue and region. A good source of information is the guide pages of other conferences. The following is ansee example.
 - http://dc2008.jp/general_i.html
 ("General Information" page of "The 10th
 International Symposium on Dendritic Cells")

Looking up <u>Wikipedia</u> would be a good place to start, with abundant articles and links to related pages. Trying search engines like <u>Google</u> and <u>Yahoo!</u> would

also be of help.

Q2 What is the Japanese Currency?

A2 The currency is Japanese yen (JPY). \$1 (USD) is about 110-120 yen, and €1 (EUR) is about 150-170 yen, depending on the exchange rate. Try:

Yahoo! Finance corrency converter page

for current exchange rates and conversion to your currency.

Coins are available in denominations of 1, 5, 10, 50, 100 and 500 yen, and bank notes in 1,000, 2,000 (rare), 5,000 and 10,000 yen.

Japan is primarily a cash-based society (as opposed to card-based), so don't forget to carry sufficient cash with you (especially for the huge number of vending machines of all sorts).

Q3 Can I use my credit card in Japan?

A3 Major credit cards such as VISA, AMEX, MasterCard and Diner's Club can be used in hotels, major shops and restaurants. Smaller shops / restaurants may be cashonly, or accept cards for only large purchases. Train and bus tickets (usually bought by vending machines) require cash, although some long-distance tickets can be bought with cards.

Cash withdrawal with credit cards or foreign bank cards is possible with ATM machines at post offices and other locations, but check their availability beforehand.

Q4 What is the climate in Sapporo?

A4 While most of Japan suffers a hot humid summer, late August in Sapporo will be cool and pleasant. The temperature will not greatly exceed 20°C; with occasional showers.

See also the **General Overview of Sapporo page**.

Q5 Can I bring my electric appliances?

A5 Electric power in Sapporo (Eastern Japan) is 100V 50Hz.

Plugs/Sockets are type A and B; which is the same as the United States.

See "Mains power systems" article (Wikipedia) for details.

AC adaptors of laptop computers are usually capable of handling various voltages. See the inscription on their labels. Other equipment might require stepping-up transformers (for 200+V).

Q6 Is Internet access available?

A6 Many (though not all) hotel rooms, especially the "business-hotel" types, have Internet access -- often free of charge.

Internet accessibility at the conference site is to be announced,

Paper/Abstract Submission

- Q1 Where can I find information for paper / abstract submissions?
- A1 The "Call for Papers" document (PDF) is available at the ICMPC10 official website.

- Q2 When is the submission deadline?
- A2 Deadline for all submissions is Jan. 31, 2008. (changed from original announcement)
- Q3 How do I submit my application?
- A3 The primary method will be online submission from the Submissions Webpage.
 - You can either directly enter structured abstracts in that page, or upload document files from that page.
- Q4 When will the submission procedure start?
- A4 The submission process is already under way. Please access the <u>Submissions Webpage</u>.

Conference Registration

- Q1 When will registration start?
- A1 [To be announced: see also the Registration / Accommodation page.]
- Q2 How much is the registration fee?
- A2 The registration fee is classfied according to the participants' status (student/regular), resident region, and time of registration. See the Registration Page for the registration fee table.
- Q3 What does the registration fee include?
- A3 It includes one copy of the Program, the Abstract Book, and the Proceedings (CD-ROM), as well as drinks and snacks during Coffee Breaks.
- Q4 Are there any grants for attending the conference?
- A4 There will be a Travel Award by <u>SEMPRE</u>, and a Young Researcher Award jointly by <u>SEMPRE</u> and ICMPC10. See the <u>Call for Papers</u> for details.

Accommodation

- Q1 How do I arrange my reservations?
- A1 The official travel agent of the conference is <u>Knt!(Kinki</u> Nippon Tourist Co.).
- Q2 How much do accommodations cost in Sapporo?
- A2 3,000- 20,000 JPY per night, depending on the hotel type/class.
 - † click the links to see the amount in your currency
- Q3 How much does a meal cost in Sapporo?
- A3 The cost of a meal varies from 300 JPY (e.g., pastry, sandwich, ramen noodles) to 5,000 JPY† (a very nice French, Italian, or Japanese dinner). Lunch costs 500 JPY or less on campus. With a moderate budget, daily meals would cost approximately 2,000 JPY to 3500 JPY†.
 - † click the links to see the amount in your currency
- Q4 Can I find vegetarian meals?

- A4 Vegetables and fruits are available in near-by convenience stores and food markets. You can easily find vegetarian dishes even in a restaurant as long as you are not a vegan; Japanese vegetable dishes often use fish-based broth/sauce. There are a few cafes and restaurants that serve strict vegetarian meals in Sapporo, and we will investigate their locations and meal options as the Conference approaches.
- Q5 Where can I buy refreshment drinks?
- A5 Vending machines are available almost everywhere. You can also buy refreshments at near-by convenience stores and markets, or at station stands.

 The conference will have on-site drinking corners available.
- Q6 Can I smoke?
- A6 Generally speaking, smoking in public places is prohibited or restricted. Smoke only at designated smoking areas. See Smoking Policy for details.

Conference Venue / Travel

- Q1 How do I arrive at Sapporo from abroad?
- A1 The main gateway to Sapporo, Hokkaido is the New Chitose Airport. Since the majority of international flights to Japan arrive at Narita International Airport, Kansai International Airport, or Central Japan International Airport (Centrair), taking a domestic transit flight from there to New Chitose will be your first choice.

See the Access/Maps page for details.

- Q2 How do I get to the conference site?
- A2 It is a 36-min. ride on a "Rapid Airport" train from New Chitose Airport station to Sapporo station. The main conference site, Hokkaido University is within walking distance from Sapporo station. See the Access/Maps page for details.
- Q3 Do I need a visa to enter Japan?
- A3 Many countries / regions have visa exemption arrangements with Japan, so if you are from one of them, no visa is necessary for a short term visit. For countries without such arrangements (e.g. China, Russia), visas are required, so make sure to contact your foreign affairs agency in advance. See the below pages for details.
 - Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) Visa top page
 - MOFA: "Exemption of Visas"
- Q4 Where can I learn about the conference venue and location?
- A4 Try the following links.
 - Hokkaido University (main venue)
 - Moerenuma Park (sub venue)
 - City of Sapporo
 - Prefecture of Hokkaido
 - Sapporo Tourist Association

Miscellaneous

- Q1 What is ICMPC?
- A1 See the ICMPC Website for general information.
- Q2 How can I read Web pages in Japanese?
- A2 There are two issues here -- one of *character codes*, and the other is *translation*.

Character Codes

Japanese Web pages may be in one of the following character codes:

Unicode (UTF-8)

SJIS (Shift-JIS, MS-JIS)

EUC-JP

7-bit JIS (ISO-2022-JP)

If your browser is set to an inappropriate code, then the page would appear boggled. Most browsers nowadays can handle UTF-8, and if your browser can handle multilingual input, then try setting the character code to one of the above and see what happens.

Translation

For those who can't read Japanese, free translation services of Web pages are available. Some examples include:

Google translate

Yahoo! Search Language Tools

Yahoo! Babel Fish

AltaVista - Babel Fish Translation

Actually, all these pages seem to be using the same engine (SYSTRAN), although outcome may differ. The translation quality cannot be guaranteed, but would be worth giving a try.

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ESCOM

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SEMPRE

(Society for Education, Music and Psychology Research)

AMPS

(Australian Music & Psychology Society)

SACCOM

(La Sociedad Argentina para las Ciencias Cognitivas de la Mu'sica)

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- SIGMUS (IPSJ Special Interest Group on Music and Computer)
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 Skybus Sapporo provides door to door transport services between New Chitose Airport and anywhere in Sapporo City.

For ICMPC10 delegates, we can apply the following special rate when two or more persons book our service to go to the same destination (e.g., the same hotel, the same airport). When you book, just let us know you are associated with ICMPC10.

First passenger - 3500jpy. Additional passengers - 1500jpy each.

- . Skybus is also available for Charter anywhere in Hokkaido.
- Skybus Staff has Japanese, English and Chinese speaking staff available to answer your queries.
- Please contact Skybus in your language or for more information, visit their website.
 www.skybus-jp.com.

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- . "The Social Program for Delegates and Accompanying Persons" will be organized by the ICMPC10 Organizing Committee in cooperation with the Sapporo International Communication Plaza Foundation (Sapporo Convention Bureau). A close look at traditional Japanese culture such as Kimono wearing and tea ceremory, and active interaction with local residents will familiarize you with the city of Sapporo.
- Most programs require advanced bookings. Details are available at the following site. http://www.conventionsapporo.jp/ICMPC10.html

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Conference Program now Available (click here)

Session Chairs now listed (Aug. 19).

- For general information, click the relevant topic in the menu shown left.
- Update information is provided in the <u>news articles</u>.
 Some latest headlines are listed below.
- . Important dates, topics are <u>listed below</u> as reminders.
- For specific issues, first have a look through the <u>Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) page</u> as well as the <u>Questions & Comments page</u>. You can add your own questions, views, comments from this page.
- ICMPC10 related sites (including this blogsite) can be searched by entering keywords in the "In-site search" box on top of the menu.

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News #10: Conference Program now available

. The conference program is now available from:

http://www.slis.tsukuba.ac.jp/icmpc10/ Program.html

• We deeply apologize for the huge delay in announcing the problem.

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* *Submission Deadline * *

Some people contacted us regarding extension of submission deadline fortheir abstract/full-paper. If you have not sumbmitted abstract/full-paper despite your intention to present your research at ICMPC10, please send an e-mail to "ICMPC10 Manuscript Submissions"

<manuscripts@causalproductions.com> AND <icmpc10submit@slis.tsukuba.ac.jp>, and express your intention.
Then, submit your abstract/full-paper to "ICMPC10
Manuscript Submissions" <manuscripts@causalproductions.
com> by 19 May (Mon) 9AM JST.

Registration Fee

Early Registration Fee has been closed on 16 May (Fri) 5PM JST. If you have not registered, "Pre-conference Registration Fee" will be applied until **25 July (Fri) 5PM JST**.

Pre-conference Workshop for Students

Of three pre-conference workshops, the booking for "WS-2: Quantitative methodology for music psychology (Dr. Glenn Schellenberg)" has been filled.

A few more seats are still available for

"WS-1: Qualitative methodology for music psychology (Dr. Jane Davidson)" and

"WS-3: Theoretical content and quality control in music psychology (Dr. Richard Parncutt)"

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as of 17 May (Sat) 8AM JST.

If you are not a student but still are interested in participating in a workshop, please send an e-mail to our Registration & Reservation Secretariat < hkd-ec5@or.knt.co.jp, who will put your name on the waiting list and let you know when a seat becomes available for you.

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News #8: Notification of Acceptance/ Rejection

- The acceptance/rejection of submissions has been notified to the authors by email on April 11, 2008.
- The deadline of full paper/abstracts for accepted submissions is May 15, 2008.
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News #7: Submission Deadline Extended

The deadline for submissions has been extended from the previously announced Jan. 15, 2008 to:

Jan. 31, 2008

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You are welcome to share ideas with the organizers and other potential participants.

Click the "Comments" link on the bottom right corner to display the current comments and comment posting form.

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- 2: Sep 7, 2007 8:33:11 AM (JST) from Mayumi Adachi

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Comment# 1

ID# 2327099

Date: Sep 6, 2007 10:14:39 AM +09:00 (JST)

From: Norman D. Cook

URL:

Dear Organizers!

As a longtime resident in Japan - teaching and doing research in music perception - I know the language difficulties that you face in organizing an international meeting! I expect that ICMPC10 will be organizationally exceptional, but I think some special steps must be taken to help the young Asian researchers present their work (while not allowing for an increase in incoherent oral presentations). Specifically:

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- (1) I would recommend that oral presentations are limited to researchers who have spent at least one year abroad. (This would be rather unfriendly to primarily non-English-native students/young researchers, but is essential in consideration of the many hundred internationally experienced researchers from abroad in the audience.)
- (2) In order for those same researchers who are not fluent in English to present their research, I would also recommend a "demo presentations" session, where hardware and software can be concretely demonstrated. This would be distinct from the poster sessions and would involve a relatively small number (15-30?) of demos in an area with tables/ speakers/monitors/ keyboards/etc. This would be a better way to present technological innovations, without demanding true fluency in English.
- (3) As was done at a recent international conference in Nara, at the end of the plenary session on the first day, each of the demo presenters would be given one (!) minute (and one (!) PowerPoint slide) to introduce their idea and essentially advertise for their demo presentation later in the week.

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Date: Sep 7, 2007 8:33:11 AM +09:00 (JST)

From: Mayumi Adachi

URL:

Dear Norman,

Thank you for your suggestions. If we receive the abundance of great proposals from internationally established researchers, we may have to consider something like that.

However, I think organizing a big event should provide some advantages for the host country. For example, Olympics, FIFA World Cup, etc. gives immunity for the host country to participate in the big games. ICMPC 10 is a home game for Japanese (and APSCOM members, to be more politically correct). Unlike such sporting events, however, our home team still needs to go through the proposal evaluation.

It is my position as the Chair of the conference, I support students and young researchers regardless of their nationalities, and I will ask the Program Committee Chair to evaluate their proposals on the same ground. There will be no pre-screening of proposals based on international experiences of potential participants.

In preparing for the Online Submission, I will make sure that the potential participants should carefully choose the best format for their presentations based on not only the purpose but also on the confidence level of English communication skills.

Your idea of "demo" presentation might be worth considering as an alternative to the standard poster format. I will discuss with other organizers.

Once again, thank you for breaking the ice. I have been waiting for a comment for over six months. I hope many other will follow you to share ideas with us and with those who are interested in joining the Conference.

Sincerely, Mayumi

P.s. I have organized English Camp and English Coaching Session for young members of JSMPC since last fall. I do hope to surprise you next



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Welcome to the ICMPC10 official blogsite. We will update the site as new information becomes available.

The ICMPC10 will be a very special meeting for us, because the first meeting was held in Kyoto and organized by the founders of the host organization JSMPC.

The fields of Music Perception has grown much since the First ICMPC meeting.

We would like the 10th anniversary of our coming together to represent a step forward in conferencing: a chance to look back on our accomplishments and an opportunity to look forward to new challenges and unsolved problems within our fields.

As a first "new" step for the ICMPC, we have created a new community blogsite for participants to express wishes and contribute ideas in advance of our conference. By creating this blogsite, it is our hope to push the envelope of productivity.

Please consider the blogsite a chance to "have a coffee" in advance of our coming together, and contribute your ideas for how we can make the ICMPC10 the most productive and memorable ever.

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APSCOM was formed in 2000 at ICMPC 6, and the inaugural meeting was held in Fukuoka, Japan (2001), as a part of the Spring Meeting of the Japanese Society for Music Perception and Cognition (JSMPC). Since the meeting in Sydney, Australia (2002), the APSCOM meeting has been held every three years. The last meeting was held in Seoul, South Korea (2005).

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- [2007/11/25] Updates following Start of Submission.
- [2007/09/24] Major revision: Added "Access/Maps" and "FAQ" entries, in-site search box, and revised other pages.
- [2007/09/07] Start of the major revision ot the whole blogsite.
- [2006/12/--] Initial revision of the blogsite.
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News #6: Young Researcher Award

The document on the details of application for the Young Researcher Award -- including instructions on the full-paper submission (due by Jan. 31, 2008) -- is now available at the ICMPC10 official site.

Click here to download the document (PDF file, 54KB)

[2007/12/31] The application form for uploading full paper files is now available in the <u>Submission Site</u>.

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News #5: (Finished) Submission System Shutdown

(The maintenance work is finished and the submission system is back to normal service. (07/12/15)

The <u>ICMPC10 Submission System</u> will not be accessible during **2007/12/15 0:00-9:00 (GMT)** due to system maintenance. The time is approximate and may vary by a few hours.

Sorry for the inconvenience.

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ICMPC10 Submission Procedure Has Started NEW!!

The procedure for all ICMPC10 submissions has started on Nov. 25, 2007. Due to the delay in preparation, the deadline for submissions has been postponed to:

Jan. 15, 2008

(new deadline: previous deadline was Dec. 20, 2007). We are very sorry for the delay, and invite your submissions for a successful conference.

 Submissions are processed online at the "ICMPC10 Submission Page" at:

http://www.slis.tsukuba.ac.jp/icmpc10/

Please visit the page, and as your first task, register your user account on the system (this will take only a few minutes). By creating your account, you will be assigned your *personal page*, where all submission activities will take place.

• "Call for Papers" is available at the ICMPC Official
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ICMPC10 has been awarded the grant for "the 2008 International Meetings in Japan" by <u>JSPS (Japan Society for the Promotion of Science)</u> (2007/08/23).

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News#1: Blogsite

- [2007/09/07] The ICMPC10 Blogsite has been completely revised.
- [2007/09/09] The <u>Questions / Comments</u> page has been revised.
- [2007/09/24] Further information on Blogsite updates will appear in the Revision History section.

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Acceptance/Rejection Notice

 The result of acceptance/rejection has been notified to the authors by email on April 11, 2008.
 The same information is also available in your <u>personal</u> <u>page</u>.

Full Paper / Abstract Submission

- Authors of accepted submissions are required to submit a full paper and/or abstract of their work.
- To the authors who haven't replied whether they will present their work at the conference or withdraw your submission -- please do so from your <u>personal page</u> as soon as possible. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.
- Instructions and guidelines for preparing your paper are given in the following page.

http://www.slis.tsukuba.ac.jp/icmpc10/lib/fullpaper.
html

 The deadline of full paper/abstract submission is May 15, 2008.

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. The conference program is now available from:

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Official tourist agent: Knt! (Kinki Nippon Tourist Co.)

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Conference Registration and Reversation for Accommodations is now available in the following page.

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See also the Access/Maps Page for relevant information.

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 The host city of ICMPC10. Sapporo is the capital of Hokkaido
 Prefecture -- the northernmost of the four main islands of Japan.
- Sapporo Tourist Association
- . » New Chitose Airport

The main gateway to Sapporo & Hokkaido, located about 40km (25 mi) southeast of city center. Major domestic flights (and some international flights) arrive here.

. » Sapporo Station

The central terminal of Sapporo; with access to railways (including rapid trains from the airport), subways, and buses.

- <u>» Hokkaido University (Sapporo Campus)</u>
 Main conference venue; located northwest of Sapporo Station and within walking distance.
- » Moerenuma Park
 Additional conference venue.

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From Overseas to Japan

- Most of the international flights to Japan arrive at one of the three airports:
 - » Narita International Airport
 - » Kansai International Airport
 - » Central Japan International Airport(Centrair)

From these airports, take domestic transit flights to <u>New Chitose</u> <u>Airport</u> (See <u>transit flight summary</u> below).

- Some flights from Asia arrive directly at New Chitose Airport.

 There are also Asian flights to other Japanese airports.
- **Note:** All the time and schedule information listed below are approximate, and is of Sept. 2007. Required time for individual flights/rides may vary.

Summary of Transit Filghts to Sapporo: New Chitose Airport

District/Airport		Distance (mi/ (km))	Flight Time	Flights/day	
Tokyo	<u>Narita</u>	511 (822)	1:40	3+	
	<u>Haneda</u>	311 (022)	1:35	51	
Osaka	<u>Kansai</u>			10†	
	<u>Itami</u>	668 (1075)	1:55	3	
	<u>Kobe</u>			6	
Nagoya	<u>Centrair</u>	615 (990)	1:40	15†	

Domestic Carriers

- ANA (All Nippon Airways)
- JAL (Japan Airlines)
- Skymark Airlines (From Haneda only)
- †: Some flights are code-shared with foreign carriers. Check individual flights for details.

Narita International Airport (Tokyo Metropolitan district)

Main gateway to Japan. Since Narita is primarily for international flights, there are only a limited number of direct flights to Sapporo (3 flights/day). So the common choice would be transferring to Haneda Airport for domestic flights. Depending on your time of arrival, staying overnight in Tokyo might be more convenient.

Ground Transportation from Narita Airport

Destination	Method		Time (min.)	Rides (per hr.)	Fare (yen)
Haneda Airport	Limousine Bus		70†	3-5	3,000
Tokyo Station	JR East (rail)	<u>N'EX</u>	55	1-2	3,140
		Rapid	90	1	1,280

Ueno Station	Keisei	Skyliner	56	1-2	1,920
	<u>(rail)</u>	Ltd.Exp.	76	3	1,000

- † May be delayed considerably in case of traffic jams.
- * N'EX (Narita Express: JR) and Skyliner (Keisei) are limited express trains requiring extra charge.
 - Narita International Airport top page Wiki
 - Domestic Services & Transit Information
 - Ground Transportation
 Rail Buses & Taxis To & From Haneda Airport
 - Terminal Guide Maps
 - Railway stations (for both JR and Keisei) are underground, beneath the terminal buildings. Narita has two terminal buildings (Terminal 1 & 2), and each have their own station (see "Terminal Guide Map" above).
 - Bus departures leave at ground level, and arrivals stop at the upper deck (for "Flight Departures"), in front of each terminal building.
 - So when coming to Narita (by rail or by bus), be careful to get off at the proper station/stop.

. Tokyo International Airport (Haneda Airport)

Hub airport for domestic flights from Tokyo metropolitan district; and one of the busiest airports in the world. Closer than Narita to downtown areas of Tokyo (30-50 mins. from Tokyo station, Ueno, Shinjuku, or Shibuya).

The only international flights at Haneda are chartered flights (from e.g. Seoul, Shanghai).

Ground Transportation to/from Haneda Airport

Tokyo Monorail	Hamamatsu-cho ⇔Haneda 23 min; 470 yen		
Keikyu Railway (in Japanese)	Shinagawa ⇔Haneda 19 min; <u>400 yen</u>		
(various	Airport Limousine Keikyu Bus		

- Haneda Airport Terminal top page Wiki
- JAL (and Skymark) flights arrive/depart at Terminal 1, while ANA flights arrive/depart at Terminal 2. So be careful about which Terminal Building you are headed for. The two buildings are about 400m apart and connected by an underground path (with moving sidewalks), as well as free shuttle buses.
- The monorail station is underground beneath the terminal buildings, each with their own station.
 The Keikyu line station is underground and spans the two terminal buildings, so exit at the front end (for Terminal 2) or the back end (for Terminal 1).
- Bus departures leave at ground level, and arrivals stop at the upper deck (for "Flight Departures"), in front of each terminal building.

. Kansai International Airport (Kansai/Osaka

district)

Hub airport of the Kansai/Osaka District. Direct transit between international and domestic flights is available. For those staying overnight in Kansai, taking domestic flights to Sapporo from Itami Airport or Kobe Airport is a possible option. Central areas of Osaka are about 30-40 mins. from the airport on Airport Express trains.

- Kansai International Airport top page Wiki
 Arrivals, Departures & Transit Information
- Osaka International Airport (Itami Airport) (in Japanese)
- Kobe Airport (Terminal Building page) (in Japanese)

Central Japan International Airport (Centrair) (Chubu/Nagoya district)

Main airport of the Chubu/Nagoya District. Direct transit between international and domestic flights is available. Central areas of Nagoya are about 30 mins. from the airport on Airport Express trains.

- Centrair top page Wiki
- Arrivals, Departures & Transit Information

From Airport to City Center

. New Chitose Airport Wiki

As the gateway to Hokkaido, the New Chitose Airport actually handles more passengers than either <u>Kansai Airport</u> or <u>Centrair</u>. Domestic flights fly here from all over Japan, and there are also international flights from Asia (including China, Hong Kong, Korea, and Taiwan). These flights may be convenient for participants from those countries/regions.

The airport is about 40km(25 mi) southeast of the city center of Sapporo (45km on rail from the Airport station to Sapporo Station). The most convenient way to reach city center is by the "Rapid Airport" train from the New Chitose Airport station to Sapporo station (36 min. ride; 4 trains/hr.). Other options are shuttle buses (to downtown including Sapporo station), taxis, and local buses (not recommended).

Ground Transportation from New Chitose Airport

Method	Destination	Time (min.)	Rides (per hr.)	Fare (yen)
JR Hokkaido (rail) "Rapid Airport"	Sapporo sta.	36	4	1,040*
Shuttle bus	(downtown)	75†	4	1,000
Shattle bas	Oyachi sta.‡	40	3	900
Taxi		60†		12,000

- * Add 300 yen for reserved seats (*U-seats*).
- † Expected time to Sapporo Station.
- ‡ Connects to Subway Tozai-line.
 - The New Chitose Airport Station is underground beneath the Terminal Building. Station Map (JR) Route Map (JR)
 - Buses/Taxis leave/arrive at the ground level in front of the Terminal Building.
 Shuttle buses headed for Sapporo have frequent stops in the downtown Sapporo area (including Sapporo Station).

New Chitose Airport top page Wiki
 The top page shows region map.
 Click "Bus Taxi" to see bus stops and taxi lanes.

. Riding "Rapid Airport" (and other railways)

- The "Rapid Airport" (Kaisoku Airport) is destined for either Sapporo, Otaru or Asahikawa, all with stops at Sapporo.
- The trains leave every 15 mins. starting from 8:34 and on the minutes 04, 19, 34, 49 of every hour (till 21:00; more irregular beyond to the final train on 22:50).

Timetable <u>Airport→Sapporo</u> <u>Sapporo→Airport</u>

Buying Tickets

(the following apply to other railways as well)

- Tickets for short distance are usually bought with vending machines near the ticket gate. (see photos)
- Look for your destination on the route map above the vending machines, and find out the fare. (In the case of Airport→Sapporo, remembering "1,040 yen" would suffice.)
- Insert money first. Most machines accept 10-500 yen coins and 1,000 yen bills, and some machines also accept 5,000 and 10,000 yen bills.
- Press the button showing the intended fare amount (in our case, 1040 yen). The ticket will come out with the change (in some cases, you might have to press the "change" button to get the change).
- Buying tickets with reserved seats (*U-seats*) are a bit more complicated, so you might better ask the station attendant (in the booth) for help.
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Although the reserved seats are more comfortable, there are also plenty of non-reserved seats (unless extremely crowded, in which case the reserved seats may also be sold out anyway), so choose your pick.

Boarding Trains

- Insert your ticket in the ticket gate machine, with the dark side (= magnetic coated side) down.
 Don't forget to retrieve your ticket that pops out on the other end of the gate machine -- you'll need it when getting off and on on-board ticket inspection.
- Getting out from the station is the same procedure, except that this time the ticket does not come out.
- Overhead electric signs show the track number, destination, and departure time of the trains. The signs alternate between Japanese and English. Take the train of your destination. Be careful not to take other trains -- take only the "Rapid Airport".
 - Note: Reserved seat cars are for those with reserved seat tickets only.
- "Rapid Airport" has pre-recorded English announcements announcing the next station, destination, etc.
 Get off at your destination (in our case, Sapporo Station).
- "Rapid Airport" (and other Japanese trains in general) is non-smoking. Mid- and long-distance trains (including "Rapid Airport") are equipped with toilets.
- . Sapporo Station Station Map (JR) Wiki

Sapporo Station is the central terminal of Sapporo, with access to Japan Railway (JR) lines, subways, and buses.

After getting off "Rapid Airport":

Walking to the Hokkaido University Campus: Exit from the West Ticket Gate, Turn right and proceed to the North Exit of the West Concourse.

Boarding the subway (Nanboku-line): (northbound for the northern part of the campus, or southbound for downtown Sapporo): Exit from the East Ticket Gate, and move downstairs to the subway entrance.

(See below for further direction guides.)

JR Hokkaido (Hokkaido Railway Company)
 Wiki

Route Map (in Japanese, station names in alphabet)

Sapporo Municipal Subway (in Japanese)
 Wiki

Route map (in Japanese, station names in alphabet)
Route map (in English)

The fare depends on riding distance. The following table shows adjacent stations (connecting the university and downtown) on the *Namboku-line*. The fare is 200 yen between any of the two stations.

Station	Dist. (km)	Time (min.)	Fare (yen)
Kita Juhachi Jo			
Kita Juni Jo	0.8	1	
Sapporo	1.8	3	<u>200</u>
Odori	2.4	4	
Susukino	3.0	6	

- Photos of Station Facilities (pages in Japanese)
 - <u>Ticket vending machines</u>, West Gate
 - Ticket gates and booth, West Gate
 - Information Center, West Concourse

The Information Center has an extensive collection of free guide maps, leaflets and other sources in various languages (including English, Chinese, and Korean).

cf. Train Trips

For those with both interest and time for train trips, following options are available.

From Tokyo

- (day trains) Shinkansen (bullet train) and two transfers to ltd. express trains. Total time: 10 hrs., 5 connections/day.
- o (night trains with sleeping cars) 16 hrs., 2-3 trains/day.

From Osaka

(night trains with sleeping cars) 21 hrs., 1 train/2 days (leaving Osaka on Mon., Wed. Fri. and Sat.).

Since the night trains are all quite popular, reservations should be made well in advance.

Conference Venues

. Hokkaido University (Sapporo Campus) wiki

Area Map

Campus Map (PDF: 1.9 MB (careful!))

Google Map (map itself is in Japanese)

Location of the ICMPC10 main conference venue. Sapporo

Campus is the main campus of <u>Hokkaido University</u>, located northwest of <u>Sapporo Station</u>.

(Location numbers (1), (74) below correspond to the numbers in the detailed "Campus Map" above.)

Revised 08/08/13 due to change of map.

The **Main Gate (1)** is less than 400*m* from Sapporo Station (North Exit, West Concourse) -- about a 5-min. walk.

You can ask for campus maps at the guard's booth on the left of the Main Gate.

The conference venue is **Center for Research and Development in Higher Education (74)**; which is 1.2km north of the Main Gate.

So in summary, the conference site is about 1.6km (1 mi.) from Sapporo Station -- a 20-30 min. walk (mostly a pleasant walk through the campus).

Campus Bus (08/05/01)

There is also a free campus bus service that circulates the campus and connects the Main Gate and the conference venue (five busstops: see the hotel/map for the bus route).

For those from the subway (Namboku-line), the easiest way to the conference venue (74) is to get off at the "Kita 18-jo" (Kita juhachi jo) Station, which is the second station northbound from Sapporo Station (subway). From there, it is a 400m, 5-min. walk westward to the conference venue. This will be convenient for those staying in the downtown area.

. Moerenuma Park

The last day of the conference will be held at the additional venue of the Glass Pyramid "Hidamari" at Moerenuma Park.

Detailed information will be provided later.

. Hotel Location (08/05/01)

Hotel Map (PDF 134KB)

The above map shows the location of hotels provided by the tour agent *Knt!*.

All hotels/ lodgings are within walking distance from the conference site (except for Sapporo International Youth Hostel).

. **Hotel Websites** (08/08/12)

- JR TOWER HOTEL NIKKO SAPPORO <u>http://www.jrhotels.co.jp/tower/english/hotel.html</u>
- SAPPORO WASHINGTON HOTEL http://www.sapporo-wh.com/en.html Map in Japanese
- HOTEL FINO SAPPORO
 http://www.hotelfino.jp/sapporo/english/access/index.html
- TOYOKO-INN SAPPORO EKI NISHIGUCHI HOKUDAI-MAE http://www.toyoko-inn.com/e_hotel/00018/index.html
- TOYOKO-INN SAPPORO-EKI KITAGUCHI http://www.toyoko-inn.com/e_hotel/00066/index.html

Travel Tips

- . (See also the FAQ Page for related information.)
- . Summer Vacation Season

Hokkaido is a popular summer vacation resort; and although late August is off-peak of the busiest periods, it is strongly advised to make reservations (especially for domestic flights) well in advance.

The peak period is about August 11-20 (the traditional home-coming period of *Obon*); during which one should avoid moving around on domestic transportation.

. Street Names in Sapporo

Streets in Sapporo are in square blocks and the blocks have numbered names (which are also used for street names). Streets running east-west are called *Jo (dori)(dori<* tori: street), and those running north-south as *Choume (dori)*. The origin is at the corner of the Television Tower at *Odori*(Main avenue) and *Souseigawa-dori*, and the streets are numbered with the prefix of the direction they extend:

Kita northMinami southNishi westHigashi east

For example, the Main Gate of Hokkaido University is at the corner of "Kita 9-jo-dori" & "Nishi 5-choume-dori", while the subway station "Kita Juhachi Jo" (18-jo) is at the corner of "Kita 18-jo-dori" & "Nishi 4-choume-dori".

Each numbered street is 100m apart, making it easy to know the rough distance. In the example above, the Main Gate and subway station are 9 blocks apart in the N/S direction and 1 block apart E/W, so the block distance is about 1km (= 10 blocks).

. Language Accessibility

- English signs are available in major public facilities.
 Other Western languages are seldom supported.
- Airports and major stations also have signs written in Korean Hangul and Chinese Hanzi.
- Long distance trains, airport commutor trains have prerecorded on-board English announcements.
- Do not expect English fluency from ordinary attendants and clerks (including railway station staff), although you can expect helpful intentions.
 - Knowing a few Japanese words, speaking slowly and clearly, writing things down (be it in English) will be of great help.
- Restaurants often have dish samples in display windows, and/or menus with photographs, which would be of great help in knowing what you can expect.

. Getting Information

- Information of various sorts can be obtained at information centers (, booths, guides) at airports, stations, hotel desks, etc.
- The <u>Information Center</u> at Sapporo Station, West Concourse is well recommended; with a large collection of information sources (in various languages) and attending staff.
- The conference kit will also include useful information sources, so you can wait till receiving them at the registration desk.

. Smoking Policy

- Generally speaking, smoking is not allowed in most public areas (airports, stations, major stores, public buildings and institutes, etc.); except in designated smoking areas. Nonsmoking facilities do tend to have such smoking areas some place or the other.
- Smoking is prohibited on public transportation vehicles (airplanes, trains, buses, etc.); with the exception of longdistance trains with smoking cars (or rooms).
 Smoking on taxis would depend on individual cars.
- Restaurants, bars and other eating facilities have differing policies. Some are totally non-smoking, some accept smoking, while others have separate smoking and nonsmoking sections.
- Some (though not all) hotels have non-smoking rooms (and floors).
- Smoking in open public is legally restricted in the downtown area, and should be avoided in other places as well (as a matter of common sense). Smoke only where public ashtrays are available.
- Additional Note
 Starting July 2008, access of cigarette vending machines
 will be strictly restricted and would require pre-issued ID-cards.

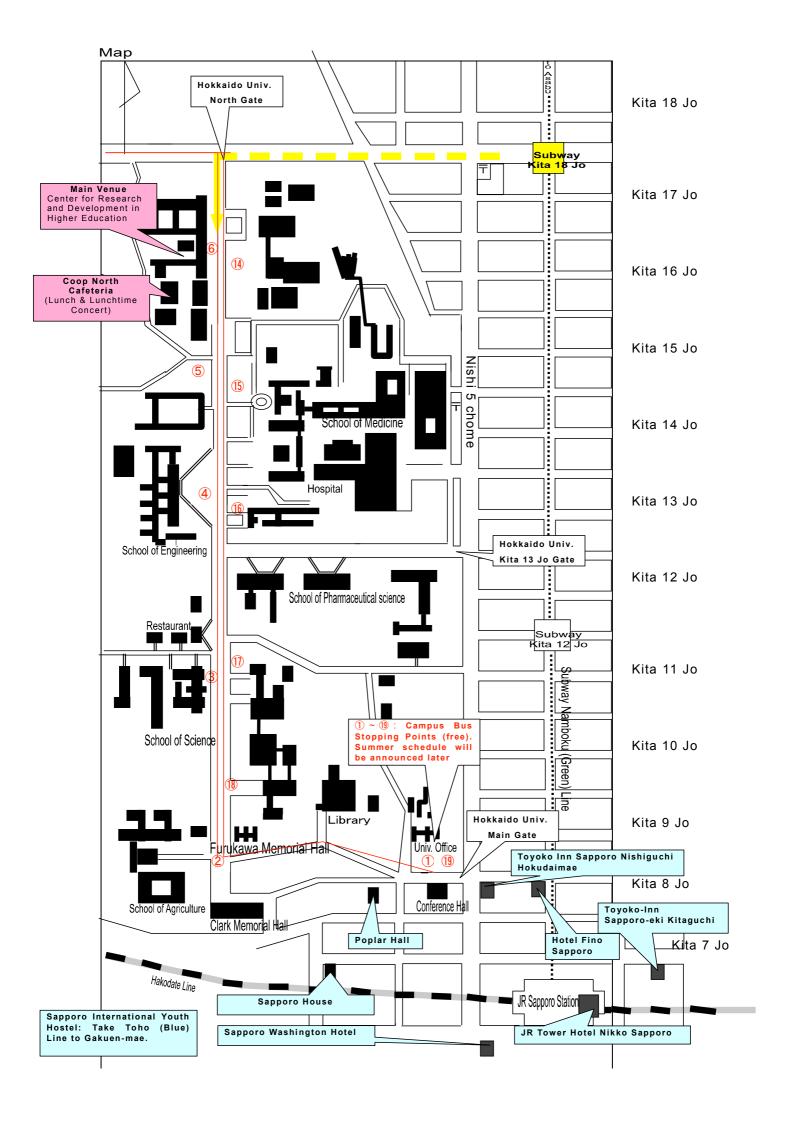
. Accessibility for the Handicapped

Accessibility for the handicapped has greatly improved in the recent few years. Airports, major stations and other public facilities, including the conference venue, are equipped with elevators, wheelchair slopes and toilets. Sidewalks have sloped, barrier-free crossings.

Unfortunately, Kita Juhachi Jo Station, the subway station closest to the main venue, is one of the few subway stations without elevators or wheelchair toilets.

Note: The elevator is currently under construction but is not expected to be ready by the conference.

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- Search for relevant questions through the <u>Topics Index</u> and Questions section.
- Click the question to jump to the <u>Answers section</u>.
- This is a growing FAQ. All contributions of questions, suggestions, etc. are welcome. Send your feedback from the <u>questions/</u> <u>comments page</u> or to the <u>contact address</u>.

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Answers

General Information

Q1 Are there other useful sites about visiting Japan?

- A1 Various useful links can be found throughout this Blogsite, so first try looking them up. For example, click here for information on the venue and region. A good source of information is the guide pages of other conferences. The following is ansee example.
 - http://dc2008.jp/general_i.html
 ("General Information" page of "The 10th
 International Symposium on Dendritic Cells")

Looking up <u>Wikipedia</u> would be a good place to start, with abundant articles and links to related pages. Trying search engines like <u>Google</u> and <u>Yahoo!</u> would also be of help.

Q2 What is the Japanese Currency?

A2 The currency is Japanese yen (JPY). \$1 (USD) is about 110-120 yen, and €1 (EUR) is about 150-170 yen, depending on the exchange rate. Try:

Yahoo! Finance corrency converter page

for current exchange rates and conversion to your currency.

Coins are available in denominations of 1, 5, 10, 50, 100 and 500 yen, and bank notes in 1,000, 2,000 (rare), 5,000 and 10,000 yen.

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Japan is primarily a cash-based society (as opposed to card-based), so don't forget to carry sufficient cash with you (especially for the huge number of vending machines of all sorts).

Q3 Can I use my credit card in Japan?

A3 Major credit cards such as VISA, AMEX, MasterCard and Diner's Club can be used in hotels, major shops and restaurants. Smaller shops / restaurants may be cashonly, or accept cards for only large purchases. Train and bus tickets (usually bought by vending machines) require cash, although some long-distance tickets can be bought with cards.

Cash withdrawal with credit cards or foreign bank cards is possible with ATM machines at post offices and other locations, but check their availability beforehand.

Q4 What is the climate in Sapporo?

A4 While most of Japan suffers a hot humid summer, late August in Sapporo will be cool and pleasant. The temperature will not greatly exceed 20°C; with occasional showers.

See also the **General Overview of Sapporo page**.

Q5 Can I bring my electric appliances?

A5 Electric power in Sapporo (Eastern Japan) is 100V 50Hz.

Plugs/Sockets are type A and B; which is the same as the United States.

See "Mains power systems" article (Wikipedia) for details.

AC adaptors of laptop computers are usually capable of handling various voltages. See the inscription on their labels. Other equipment might require stepping-up transformers (for 200+V).

- Q6 Is Internet access available?
- A6 Many (though not all) hotel rooms, especially the "business-hotel" types, have Internet access -- often free of charge.

 Internet accessibility at the conference site is to be announced,

Paper/Abstract Submission

- Q1 Where can I find information for paper / abstract submissions?
- A1 The "Call for Papers" document (PDF) is available at the ICMPC10 official website.
- Q2 When is the submission deadline?
- A2 Deadline for all submissions is Jan. 31, 2008. (changed from original announcement)
- Q3 How do I submit my application?
- A3 The primary method will be online submission from the Submissions Webpage.
 - You can either directly enter structured abstracts in that page, or upload document files from that page.
- Q4 When will the submission procedure start?
- A4 The submission process is already under way. Please access the <u>Submissions Webpage</u>.

Conference Registration

- Q1 When will registration start?
- A1 [To be announced: see also the Registration / Accommodation page.]
- Q2 How much is the registration fee?
- A2 The registration fee is classfied according to the participants' status (student/regular), resident region, and time of registration. See the <u>Registration Page</u> for the registration fee table.
- Q3 What does the registration fee include?
- A3 It includes one copy of the Program, the Abstract Book, and the Proceedings (CD-ROM), as well as drinks and snacks during Coffee Breaks.
- Q4 Are there any grants for attending the conference?
- A4 There will be a Travel Award by <u>SEMPRE</u>, and a Young Researcher Award jointly by <u>SEMPRE</u> and ICMPC10. See the Call for Papers for details.

Accommodation

- Q1 How do I arrange my reservations?
- A1 The official travel agent of the conference is Knt!(Kinki Nippon Tourist Co.).
- Q2 How much do accommodations cost in Sapporo?
- A2 3,000- 20,000 JPY per night, depending on the hotel type/class.
 - † click the links to see the amount in your currency
- Q3 How much does a meal cost in Sapporo?

A3 The cost of a meal varies from 300 JPY (e.g., pastry, sandwich, ramen noodles) to 5,000 JPY† (a very nice French, Italian, or Japanese dinner). Lunch costs 500 JPY or less on campus. With a moderate budget, daily meals would cost approximately 2,000 JPY to 3500 JPY†.

† click the links to see the amount in your currency

Q4 Can I find vegetarian meals?

A4 Vegetables and fruits are available in near-by convenience stores and food markets. You can easily find vegetarian dishes even in a restaurant as long as you are not a vegan; Japanese vegetable dishes often use fish-based broth/sauce. There are a few cafes and restaurants that serve strict vegetarian meals in Sapporo, and we will investigate their locations and meal options as the Conference approaches.

Q5 Where can I buy refreshment drinks?

A5 Vending machines are available almost everywhere. You can also buy refreshments at near-by convenience stores and markets, or at station stands. The conference will have on-site drinking corners available.

Q6 Can I smoke?

A6 Generally speaking, smoking in public places is prohibited or restricted. Smoke only at designated smoking areas. See Smoking Policy for details.

Conference Venue / Travel

Q1 How do I arrive at Sapporo from abroad?

A1 The main gateway to Sapporo, Hokkaido is the New Chitose Airport. Since the majority of international flights to Japan arrive at Narita International Airport, Kansai International Airport, or Central Japan International Airport (Centrair), taking a domestic transit flight from there to New Chitose will be your first choice.

See the Access/Maps page for details.

Q2 How do I get to the conference site?

A2 It is a 36-min. ride on a "Rapid Airport" train from New Chitose Airport station to Sapporo station. The main conference site, Hokkaido University is within walking distance from Sapporo station. See the Access/Maps page for details.

Q3 Do I need a visa to enter Japan?

- A3 Many countries / regions have visa exemption arrangements with Japan, so if you are from one of them, no visa is necessary for a short term visit. For countries without such arrangements (e.g. China, Russia), visas are required, so make sure to contact your foreign affairs agency in advance. See the below pages for details.
 - Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) Visa top page
 - MOFA: "Exemption of Visas"

- Q4 Where can I learn about the conference venue and location?
- A4 Try the following links.
 - Hokkaido University (main venue)
 - Moerenuma Park (sub venue)
 - City of Sapporo
 - Prefecture of Hokkaido
 - Sapporo Tourist Association

Miscellaneous

- Q1 What is ICMPC?
- A1 See the <u>ICMPC Website</u> for general information.
- Q2 How can I read Web pages in Japanese?
- A2 There are two issues here -- one of *character codes*, and the other is *translation*.

Character Codes

Japanese Web pages may be in one of the following character codes:

Unicode (UTF-8)

SJIS (Shift-JIS, MS-JIS)

EUC-JP

7-bit JIS (ISO-2022-JP)

If your browser is set to an inappropriate code, then the page would appear boggled. Most browsers nowadays can handle UTF-8, and if your browser can handle multilingual input, then try setting the character code to one of the above and see what happens.

Translation

For those who can't read Japanese, free translation services of Web pages are available. Some examples include:

Google translate

Yahoo! Search Language Tools

Yahoo! Babel Fish

AltaVista - Babel Fish Translation

Actually, all these pages seem to be using the same engine (SYSTRAN), although outcome may differ. The translation quality cannot be guaranteed, but would be worth giving a try.

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