



Host Country

China, officially the People's Republic of China (PRC), is a unitary sovereign state in East Asia and the world's most populous country, with a population of around 1.404 billion. Covering approximately 9,600,000 square kilometers, it is the third - or fourth-largest country by total area, depending on the source consulted. It exercises jurisdiction over 22 provinces, five autonomous regions, four direct-controlled municipalities (Beijing, Tianjin, Shanghai, and Chongqing), and the special administrative regions of Hong Kong and Macau. The official language spoken is Chinese.

Hosting City - Guangzhou

Guangzhou, located at the flourish Pearl River Delta area, is the central city of South China. As the capital of Guangdong Province, Guangzhou is one of the most important cities in China with a population of about 10 million, covering an area of 7400 square kilometers. Once upon a time five celestial beings in colorful robes, each riding a colored goat holding an ear of grain in its mouth came down to Guangzhou. So Guangzhou is known as the Goat City because of this legend.



Meeting Venue

The meeting will be held in the **Guangzhou Dongfang Hotel**.

Address: 120 Liu Hua Road
Guangzhou, China
Tel.: +86 20 86669900
Website: <http://www.dongfanghotel.net/>

Accommodation

We strongly recommend participants to stay in the **Guangzhou Dongfang Hotel** (meeting venue) where a block booking with special rates has been organized:

Guangzhou Dongfang Hotel

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Booking and special rate:

The following special has been negotiated for participants:

Deluxe single room: 700 CNY per night, including one daily breakfast, one lunch, WIFI, service fees and Tax
Deluxe twin room: 800 CNY per night, including two daily breakfasts, two lunches, WIFI, service fees and Tax

To secure the reservation, **please fill in the form in Annex A and return it to Mr. Paco Xie (paco_xie@hoteldongfang.com) by 27 May 2018 latest**. Rooms will be allocated on a "first come, first-served" basis according to availability. Late reservations will be subject to market prices and availability of rooms.

Note: for participants who will not stay in Dongfang hotel or who will book in Dongfang hotel through a different channel (not using the block booking code above), lunch coupons will be provided with charge. More details will be available shortly.

In case of reservation by phone:

Contact: phone: +86-20-8662946
Group name: IPCC AR6 1st Lead Author Meeting (LAM 1)

Contact:

For any additional information regarding hotel booking, please contact:
Mr Paco Xie
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VISA and Entry Information

Visa information

All participants requiring a visa to enter China should make their visa applications directly to the nearest embassy or consulate of China, submitting invitation letters issued by the host, together with other required documents. Holders of Diplomatic, Service, Official or specified passports from some countries may not require a visa by virtue of bilateral agreements.

Detailed information on Immigration Facilities in different countries is available on the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China webpage: http://www.fmprc.gov.cn/mfa_eng/wjb_663304/zwjg_665342/2490_665344/

If you plan to stop over or transfer in Hong Kong, please inquire with the Chinese Embassy or your Ministry of Foreign Affairs to check whether special transit visa is required.

Invitation letter from the host for visa purposes – **deadline 15/04/2018**

In order to apply for visa, you will need an official invitation from the host. **You will receive, by the end of week starting 2 April, your log in details to access a secured on line form that you will need to fill in as soon as possible (and before 15 April) to receive this letter. You will also be required to upload a copy of your passport.**

You will receive your personal invitation letter by email during the week of 23 April 2018.

Support

In case you need help regarding visas and immigration in general, please contact:

Ms. ZHOU Xiao (zhoux@typhoon.org.cn) and **Ms. YU Jia** (ipccwqi@126.com)

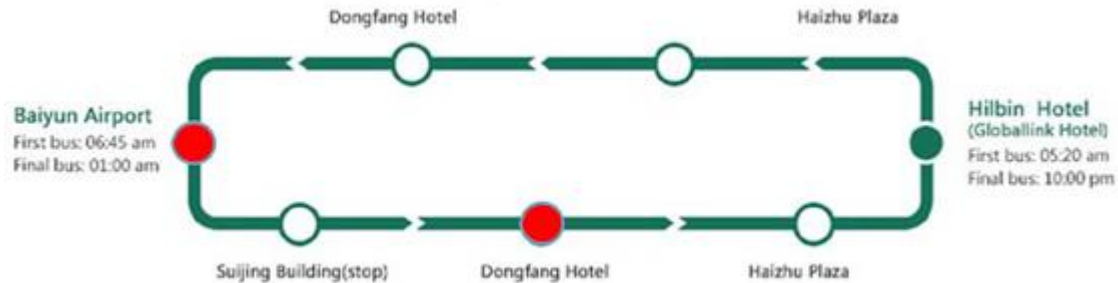
Transportation - Airport

Participants are recommended to arrive at Guangzhou Baiyun International Airport (CAN). Several options are available to get to the Guangzhou Dongfang Hotel. The following sign may help you find it.



Airport bus:

The airport bus route No. 5 stops at the front gate of the Dongfang Hotel. It operates every 15 minutes from 06:45 a.m. to 01:00 a.m. The bus stop locates outside of Gate A2 of arrival area A at the Baiyun International Airport. The cost is CNY 17 and cash only. The journey takes about 40 minutes.



By subway

The nearest station for Dongfang Hotel is **Yuexiu Park Station** on Line 2. The subway in Guangzhou usually operates between 6:00 a.m. to 11 p.m.

From the airport, walk to **Airport South Station**, take Line 3 (direction Tiyu Xilu), get off at **Jiahewanggang Station**, transfer to Line 2 (direction Guangzhou South Railway Station), arrive at **Yuexiu Park Station**, exit at D1, walk for 5 minutes to reach destination.

The total cost is CNY 7. The journey takes about 1 hour. Tickets can be purchased using the vending machine with CNY 1 yuan coins, 5 yuan and 10 yuan notes, or be bought at the ticket office with cash only.

A subway map can be downloaded here: <https://www.travelchinaguide.com/cityguides/guangdong/guangzhou/subway/metro-map.htm>



By taxi

Taxis are available in the airport outside Gate A5 and B6 of arrival area.

It takes approximately 40 minutes to get to Guangzhou Dongfang Hotel and costs about CNY 100.

From Hong Kong

Express buses are also available to travel from Hong Kong International Airport to Guangzhou Dongfang Hotel, for more information, please visit <http://www.trans-island.com.hk/en/index.php>

Meal arrangements

Coffee breaks

Tea and coffee breaks will be provided each day in the morning and in the afternoon.

Bottled water will be available throughout the day.

Lunches

Lunches are included in the room rate of Dongfang Hotel. **If you are staying in a different hotel or booking in Dongfang Hotel through a different channel (not using the block booking code), lunch coupons will be provided with charge.**

Dinners

Two restaurants are available in Dongfang Hotel.

In addition, a list of recommended restaurants will be available in the participant booklet.

Currency

The local currency is the Renminbi (CNY).

Exchange rates March 2018:

USD 1 = approx. CNY 6.3

€1 = approx. CNY 7.8

Bank/ATM

Two ATM are available in Dongfang Hotel.

Currency exchange services are available in Guangzhou International Airport and at all banks (opening hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sundays: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., closes on Saturdays). Most businesses, tour operators, airlines and hotels accept major credit cards.

Electricity

Power systems are generally 220 volts and 50 Hz. An adaptor may be necessary.



Internet

Free wifi will be provided in Dongfang hotel and meeting rooms. Please be aware some web applications are not available in China (a non-exhaustive list will be provided).

Local time and official working hours

Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) + 8 hours.

Offices and business are open from 8.30 am to 5.30 pm. Shops open during the week at 10.00 am and close at 10.00 pm in shopping Centers while those outside close at 6.00 pm. Supermarkets however open till 10.00 pm.

Weather

Guangzhou enjoys a favorable weather, thus is also called Flower City. June is the best time to visit China as it marks the beginning of the summer months. Mid-day temperature can reach 30°C/87°F. It is worth bringing with you a sun hat, umbrella, sun screen and sun glasses.

Updated weather information can be found on the websites: <http://www.weather.com.cn/english> or <http://www.cma.gov.cn/en>

Health Facilities

Up-to-date information on international travel and health requirements are provided by the World Health Organization (WHO) at the following websites: <http://www.who.int/ith/en/> and <http://www.who.int/countries/chn/en/>. In case of health emergency, people can go to the General Hospital of Guangzhou Military Command of PLA.

Drinking Water

Tap water is not drinkable. Bottled mineral water is readily available in most shops and supermarkets, as well as lodges and hotels.

Information and contact details of the Local Organizing Committee (LOC)

For any further information, please contact the LOC at the following address:

Ms. YU Jia

Guangdong Meteorological Service
China Meteorological Administration

E-mail: jpccwqi@126.com

Mobile: +86-13632190703

And copy:

Ms. ZHOU Xiao

Chinese Academy of Meteorological Sciences
China Meteorological Administration

E-mail: zhoux@typhoon.org.cn

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Other Useful Information

The Guangzhou Metro Official App can be downloaded here:



International Telephone Code of China: 86

Fire Alarm Number: 119

Traffic Accident: 122

Area Telephone Code of Guangzhou: (0)20

First Aid Number: 120

Time Inquiry: 117

Police Call Number: 110

Weather Inquiry: 12121