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Information Note

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Venue of the Meeting

The 24th Intergovernmental meeting on 11, 12, and 13 February 2020 will be held in the Meeting Room No.15 on the second floor of the Beijing Conference Center. Please refer to the picture below.



Beijing Conference Center

No. 88, Laiguangying West Road, Chaoyang District, Beijing

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Email: bcc@china.com.cn

Website: http://www.beijinghuiyizhongxin.com/enabout/131.html

Accommodation

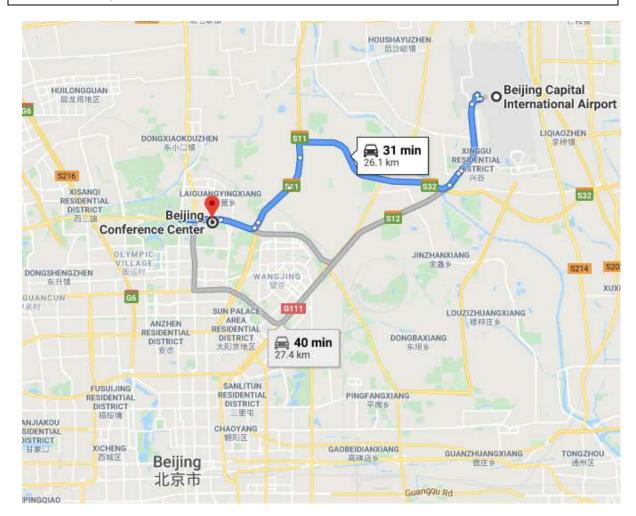
Please fill out the provided registration form from the IGM webpage below and send it to Jihee YI at jihee.yi@un.org not later than 26 December 2019 if you require a room to be booked at the Beijing Conference Center.

https://www.unenvironment.org/nowpap/24th-igm

The guest rooms are located in Building No.9, a 3-5 minute walking distance from the Conference Building.

The room rate is USD 120 per night for a single standard room including breakfast. If you want to cancel your room, please email Ms. Wei CHEN at dxchenweidx@163.com and Cc Jihee YI at jihee.yi@un.org 24 hours before the hotel check-in time. Otherwise, you will be charged with 5 percent of the total room price.

Local Transportation



By Taxi

When you arrive in Beijing Capital International Airport, please find the gate below from the terminal your flight lands in to take a cap. It takes about 35-45 minutes depending on traffic and costs approximately 60-70 Chinese Yuan (USD 9~10). Please note that no hotel shuttle bus runs from the airport.

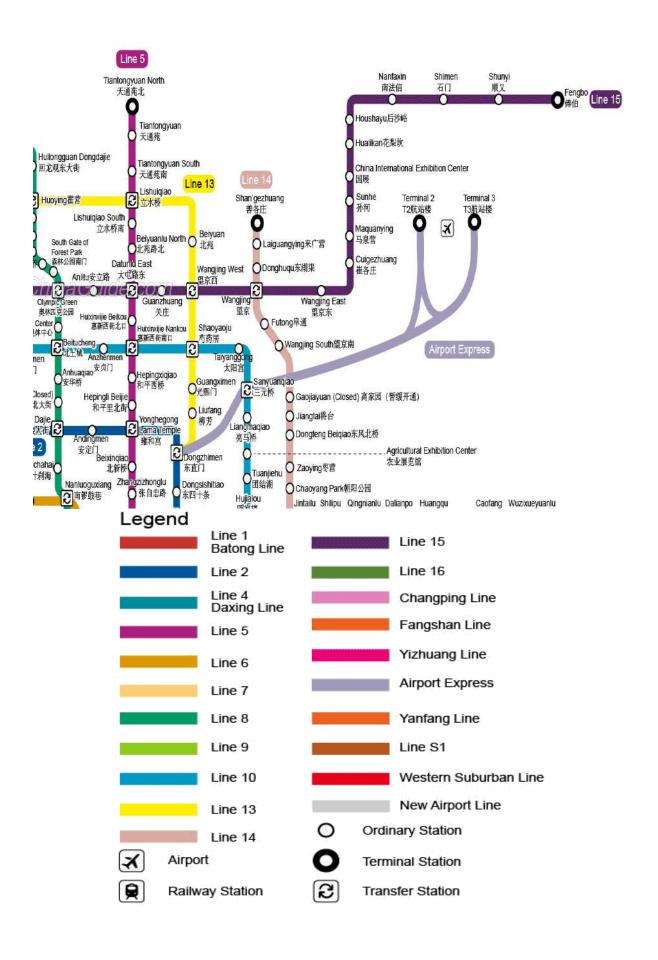
Terminal 1: Outside Gate 1 on F1.

Terminal 2: Outside Gate 5 to 9 on F1.

Terminal 3: Outside of Arrivals Hall (B1).

By Subway

The closest subway station to the hotel is BeiYuanLu North / 北苑路北 (Line 5). It takes about 25 minutes on foot from the hotel, but it is not recommended to use the subway during rush hour. For more details of the subway map, please click this URL from travelchinaguide.com https://www.travelchinaguide.com/images/map/beijing/beijing/subway.gif



Registration

Registration begins on 11 February 2020 between 8:30 AM and 9:00 AM.

Please find the registration desk near the meeting room.

IGM Webpage

Please print or download the IGM documents for your information from the IGM webpage below. No printed documents are provided.

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Reception

The reception will be held on 11 February 2020 in Room No. 2 of the second floor in Building No. 6 between 6:00 PM and 8:00 PM.

Restaurant and Dining

Participants can have lunch and dinner in Building No.9 with buffet 100 Chinese Yuan (USD 15) per person.

Chinese Visa (if required)

If you are required to get an entry visa to the People's of Republic of China, please fill out the provided registration form from the IGM webpage below and provide a clean copy of the bio page of your valid passport.

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Travel Insurance

It is advised for all meeting participants to obtain travel insurance prior to arrival for travel cancellations and delays, medical emergencies, and lost luggage, etc. The variety of events may cause a financial loss will be his or her own responsibility before, during, and after travel for the meeting.

Currency

Beijing, the People's Republic of China uses the currency Chinese Yuan (CNY, ¥).

Most mid and large-sized shops and restaurants accept credit cards and the most widely accepted credit cards are UnionPay, Visa, and MasterCard.

As mobile pay currently is the dominant payment method in the People's Republic of China, some merchants may decline credit cards. Therefore, it is necessary for your convenience to take a reasonable amount of cash. The exchange rate is subject to market fluctuations (approximately 1 USD = 6.8~6.9 CNY). Please refer to https://www.xe.com/ for real time exchange rates. The following is sample of Chinese coins and banknotes:





100 Yuan (CNY) ≈ 14.5 USD





50 Yuan (CNY) ≈7.25 USD





20 Yuan (CNY) ≈ 3 USD





10 Yuan (CNY) ≈ 1.45 USD





5 Yuan (CNY) ≈ 0.73 USD





1 Yuan (CNY) ≈ 0.15 USD



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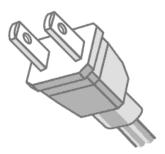
5 Jiao CNY = 0.073 USD

1 Jiao CNY = 0.015 USD

Electricity and Voltage

China uses the electricity standard of 220V, 50 HZ. Please refer to the picture below.







Socket Plugs

Any other type of plugs should be attached to a universal travel electric adapter.

Warning! Some electronics and electric products may need a voltage converter (or voltage transformer).

Please read the label on your electronics carefully. A universal travel electric adaptor is *not* a voltage converter.



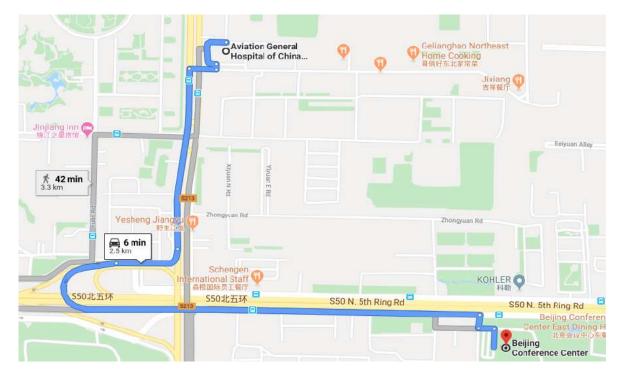


Universal travel plug adaptor

Voltage converter

Medical Emergency

There are several hospitals and pharmacies near the hotel. Just in case, you need to see a doctor, please go to the Aviation General Hospital of China Medical University. Please refer to the map below. It takes approximately 6 minutes by taxi from the hotel.



Weather

February is one of the coldest months of Beijing. It is windy and dry and temperatures do not get much above freezing. The average low and high temperatures are -6 °C (22 °F) and 5 °C (41°F). During the meeting dates, it would be little chance of snow and rain, but it is still recommended to bring your winter jacket and consider the warmest options, hats, gloves, and earmuffs.

For more information, please check the weather before your departure.

February 7 to 16, 2020 in Beijing

Fri 2/7	- \ 2°/-6°	Plenty of sunshine	Precip 0%
Sat 2/8	2°/-6°	Mostly sunny	Precip 2%
Sun 2/9	4°/-5°	A blend of sun and clouds	Precip 14%
Mon 2/10	-\times 6°/-4°	Sunshine and patchy clouds	Precip 3%
Tue 2/11	- <u>/</u> /º/-7°	Partial sunshime	Precip 16%
Wed 2/12	5°/-6°	A morning flurry: clearing	Precip 42%
Thu 2/13	- 5°/-4°	Mostly sunny	Precip 2%
Fri 2/14	4°/-7°	Times of clouds and sun	Precip 43%
Sat 2/15	÷ 5°/-9°	A little afternoon snow	Precip 61%
Sun 2/16	→ 3°/-9°	Cloudy with a little snow	Precip 62%

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