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The IHO 2020 HDWG3 will be hosted by the China Maritime Safety Administration at the Ramada by Wyndham Pearl Guangzhou in Guangdong province, China.

Guangzhou, located in the north of the Pearl River delta, is an important trading centre as well as a busy port and the capital city of the province of Guangdong. Guangzhou covers an area of 7434.4 km^2 and has a total population of some 10,000,000. Affected by the subtropical marine monsoon climate, Guangzhou is green and has flowers all year around, and is known as "the Flower City". Guangzhou has a pleasant climate in November, with an average temperature of 18 to 25 degrees.

Guangzhou has a history of more than 2200 years, which is the cradle of the South Five Ridge Culture. There is a folklore about Guangzhou's another name "Goat City" and "the City of Rice Ears". Long long ago, five immortals, riding five goats holding rice ears in their mouth, arrived in Guangzhou and presented the rice ears to the people. They also wished the local people not to suffer hunger anymore. And then the five goats became five goat-shaped stones.

How to get to Guangzhou:

We suggest you fly to Guangzhou Baiyun International Airport. The Guangzhou Baiyun International Airport is approximately 40 km (24.85 mi) from the Ramada by Wyndham Pearl Guangzhou (广州凯旋华美达大酒店).

Public transit services are within easy reach to access downtown or any other location in town. But we recommend that you take taxi, subway or Airport Express to your hotel. You can also check with the hotel which can arrange that for you.

Taxi:

You can also take a taxi from the airport to the hotel, which takes approximately 1 hour and costs about 150 yuan.

Terminal 1 taxi pick-up points
1. Arrival Area A: outside Gate A8
2. Arrival Area B: outside Gates B4 and B8

Terminal 2 taxi pick-up points
1. Domestic arrival hall: outside Gates 50 and 53
2. International arrival hall: outside the gate

Subway:

Northern extension of Guangzhou Subway Line 3, also called "Airport Line", forms a part of the main segment (Panyu Plaza Station - Airport North Station) of Guangzhou Subway Line 3. Northern extension of Guangzhou Subway Line 3 runs from Airport North Station to Tiyu West Road Station every 6 minutes per shift between 6:00 and 23:00.

The route from Airport North Station to Tiyu West Road Station contains 15 stations, namely Airport North Station, Airport South Station, Gaozeng Station, Renhe Station, Longgui Station, Jiahe Wanggang Station, Baiyun Avenue North Station, Yongtai Station, Tonghe Station, Jingxi Nanfang Hospital Station, Meihuayuan Station, Yantang Station, Guangzhou East Railway Station, Linhe West Station, and Tiyu West Road Station.

Terminal 1 is located next to Airport South Station of Line 3 northern extension, while Terminal 2 is located next to Airport North Station of Line 3 northern extension.

Please check your flight in advance to make sure you go to the correct terminal.

We suggest you take Line 3 of northern extension to Tiyu West Road Station, and then take a taxi to the hotel. Or you can take Line 3 of northern extension to Linhe West Station, and

transfer to bus 122, 195, 263, and then get off at Wuyang Xincun bus station which is closest to the hotel.

Airport Express:

Airport Express Line 10, service between Baiyun Airport and Guangzhou textile trading Park, departs from Baiyun Airport (Terminal 1 + 2) every 30-60 minutes between 6:45 am and 1:30 am. It takes approximately 1 hour and costs 27 yuan per one way ticket. There are several pick-up/drop-off points, but Nanfang Daily (南方日报社) being the nearest points to Ramada by Wyndham Pearl Guangzhou.

Participants should tell the driver at which hotel they are staying and he will confirm the name of the drop-off point.

The service departs from Guangzhou textile trading Park to Baiyun Airport starts with the first bus departing at 5:00 then runs every 30-60 minutes until 20:00.

For further information https://www.gbiac.net/byairport-web/index.

Where to stay:

Ramada by Wyndham Pearl Guangzhou is located in the centre of Guangzhou, next to the Pearl River and adjacent to the Pearl River New Town Business District.

All rooms are equipped with computers and have wireless Internet access. The room rate between 600 yuan and 1000 yuan includes the hotel service fee, excluding other hotel fees, taxes, and additional requirements of guests. Usually the hotel's check-in time is 14:00, and the check-out time is 12:00 noon. For early check-in or late check-out, a fee will be charged as appropriate.

We will set aside a selection of hotel rooms for the HDWG delegates. We are still working out the details. Sufficient rooms will be reserved and available for booking very shortly via the booking website link, **http://www.ramadagz.com/EN/contactus.aspx.**

You can also choose other hotels near the venue. For details, please visit the major websites, such as www.booking.com.   As the China Import and Export Fair (Canton Fair) will be held in Guangzhou in November, it is recommended that you book your hotel in advance.

Guangzhou dining:

All delicious food is in Guangzhou! From this common saying, we can get some idea of the variety of Guangzhou's delicacies. Welcome to taste Cantonese Cuisine, Cantonese dim and other delicious snacks in the restaurant of the hotel or nearby.

Electrical power:

China uses 220 Volts at 60 Hertz for its electrical supply. There are two plug types D&J (see below). Participants are advised to purchase power converters or conversion plugs according to their needs.

220V/60hz/10A/Plug type D&J

Currency:

Our currency is in bill format with denominations of 1, 5, 10, 20, 50 and 100 yuan. The remaining currency are coins with 1 jiao，5 jiao and 1 yuan. See the below.