

Venue Use Proposal: Fukuoka International Congress Center

Fukuoka International Congress Center: Provisional Booking

The diagrams on the right show an overview of the room locations.

Our proposal is to reserve the entire Congress Center, which was constructed in 2003, exclusively for the WOHC.

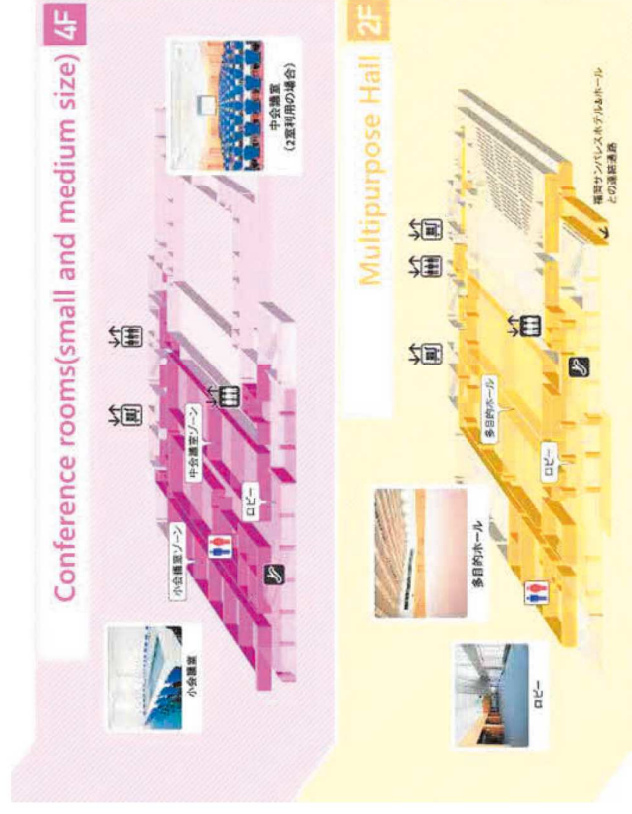
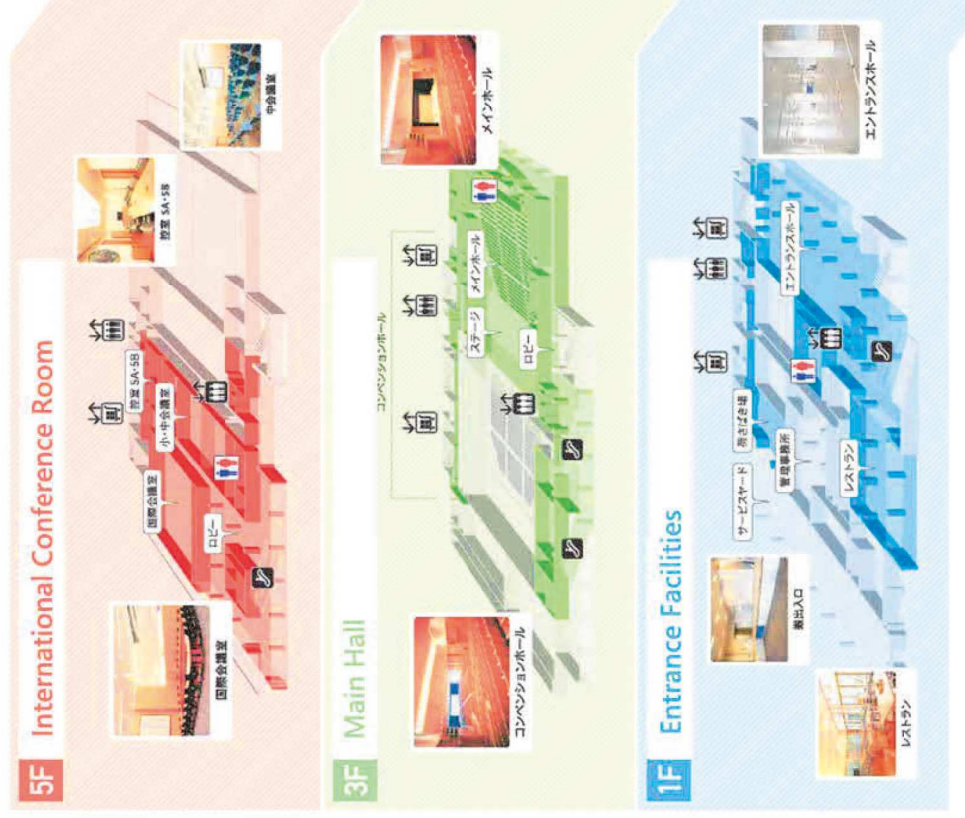
On the first floor there is a large open welcoming area perfect for registration and guide booth set up.

The first floor features a large, open, and welcoming area ideal for registration and guide booths.

Participants will be able to easily navigate this well-designed center using elevators, escalators, or stairs, and can move between venues within a matter of minutes.

The plenary room (Main hall) on 3rd floor will be used to hold opening and closing remarks.

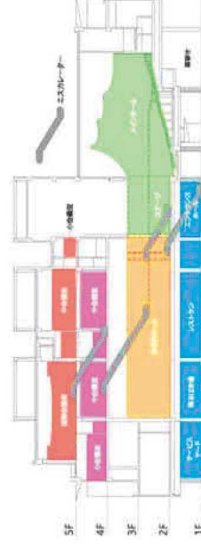
The venue is fully accessible and incorporates universal design principles.



Comfortable Space and Clearly Marked Passageways

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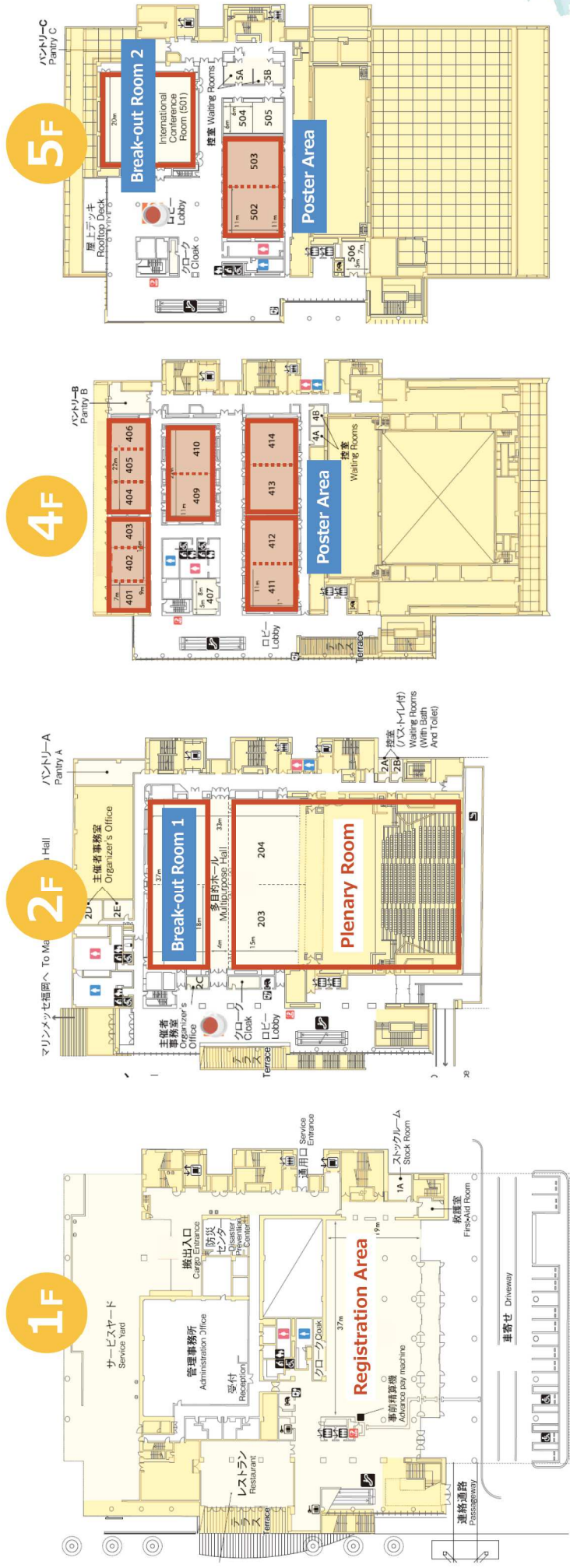
The Large-scale driveway, which allows twelve buses to park simultaneously, can be utilized without any interruption. Escalators or elevators are available from the entrance to each floor. The passageways makes it possible to move safely and comfortably.



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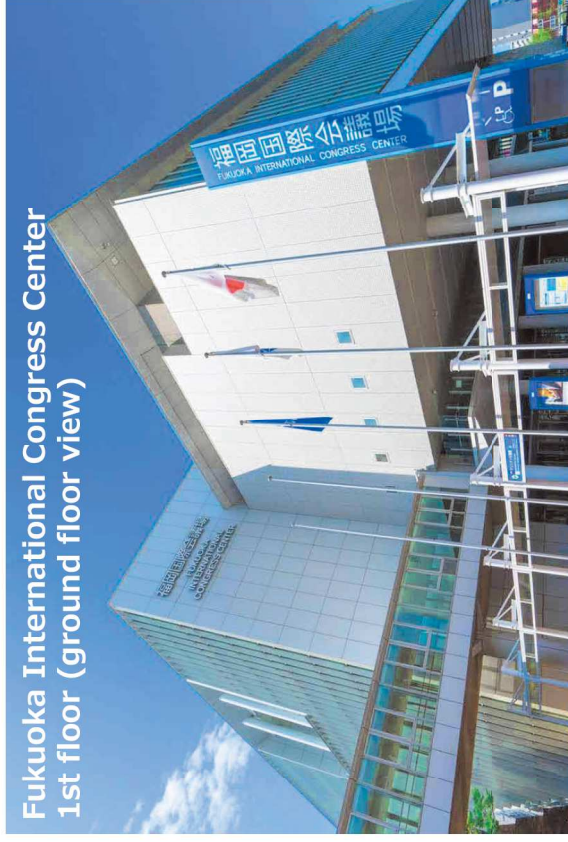
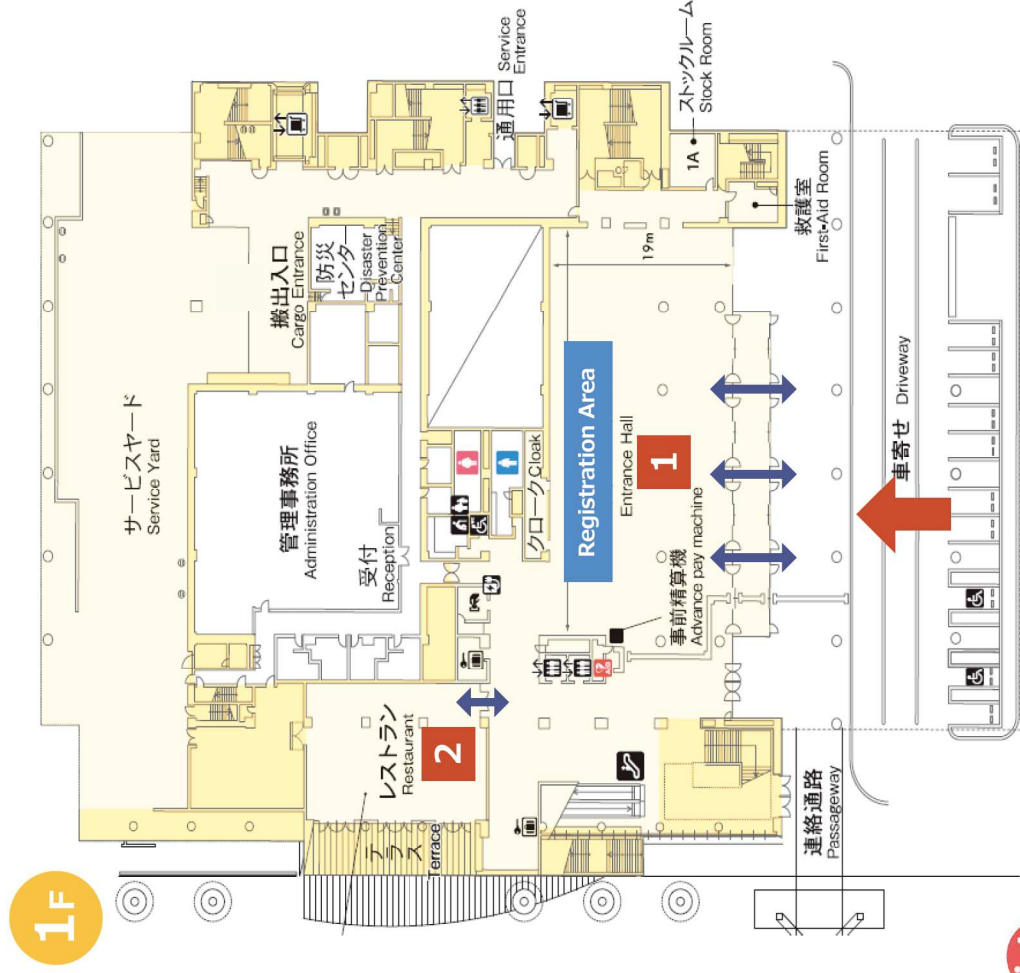
Once your participants arrive at the Convention facilities, they will register at the entrance hall, before using the meeting rooms we have proposed which are **highlighted in red** below. We will use all the floors(1,2,3,4 and 5) of the Fukuoka International Congress Center, as shown below and in the following pages.



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Registration for all participants will take place in the 1st floor Entrance Hall.

The congress venues are located on the second floor and above, and all participants must pass through the entrance hall on the 1st floor. A cloakroom and first aid station are available in the entrance hall, ensuring a safe and comfortable conference experience for all attendees.



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Entrance Hall

The entrance hall boasts over 1,000 square meters of space, of which a 30m x 20m area will be dedicated to registration, allowing for the setup of six or more registration desks.



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Restaurant "Sones"

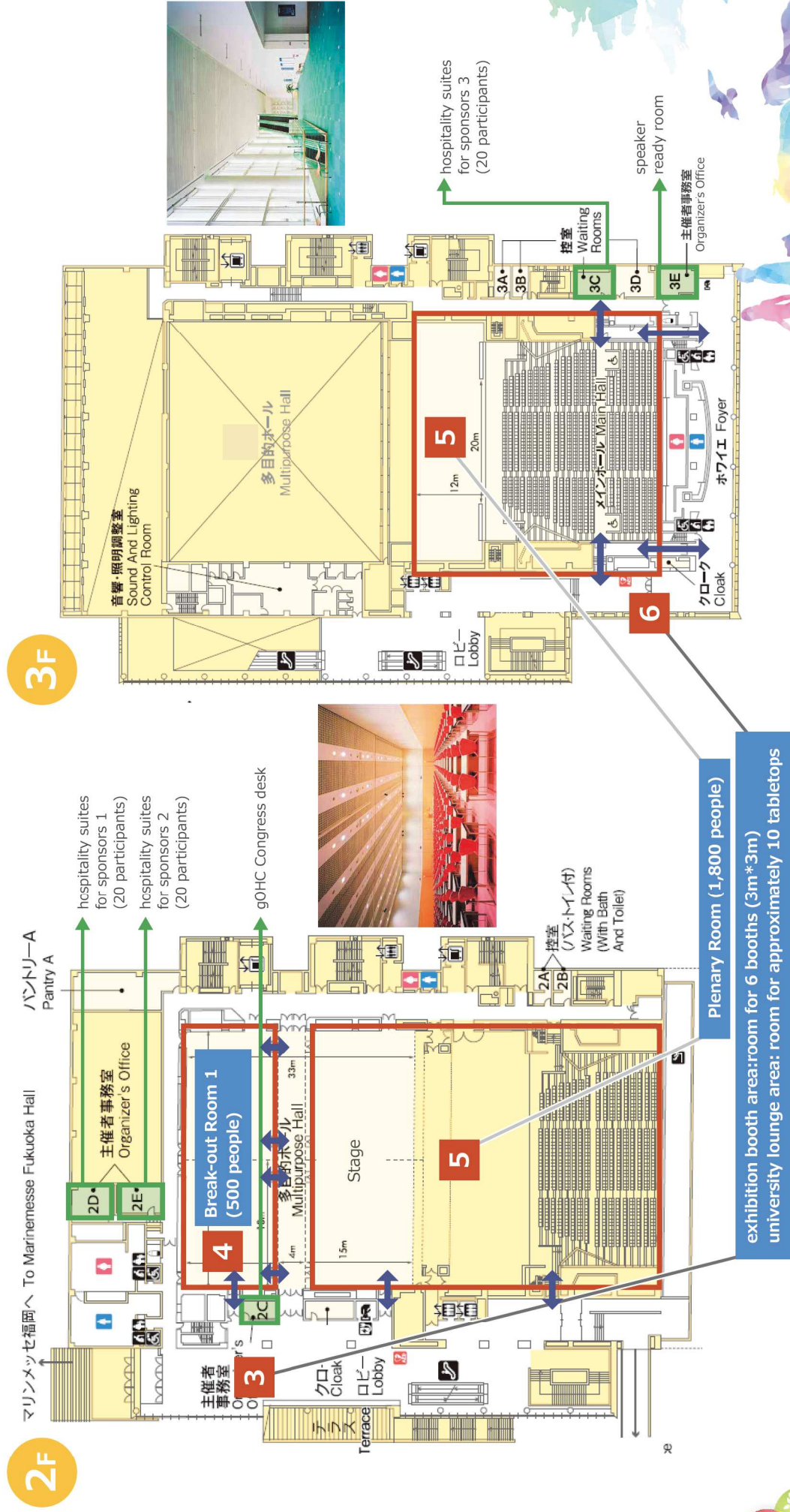
Business Hours: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM
This restaurant can seat 150 people.
The restaurant has direct access to the outdoor terrace space which can be used to set up food carts for participants who want to eat outdoors or along the sea front.



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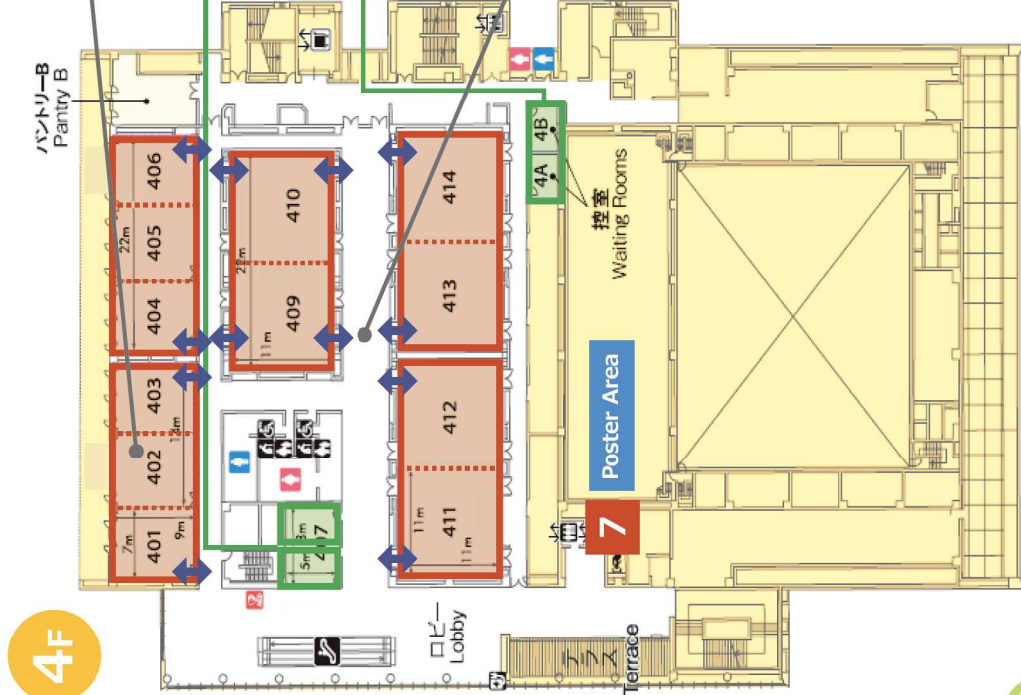
Exhibit Poster Area (4th and 5th floor) and another Break-out Room (5th floor)

The medium and small meeting rooms on the 4th and 5th floors will be used as the Poster Area. Utilizing all available rooms will allow for the display of over 1,000 posters. Centralizing the Poster Area in this way minimizes walking distances for attendees, allowing them to view a large number of posters efficiently. Additionally, the International Conference Room on the 5th floor will serve as another Break-out Room. Having Break-out Rooms on both the 2nd and 5th floors will encourage greater foot traffic and engagement with the Poster Area on the 4th floor.

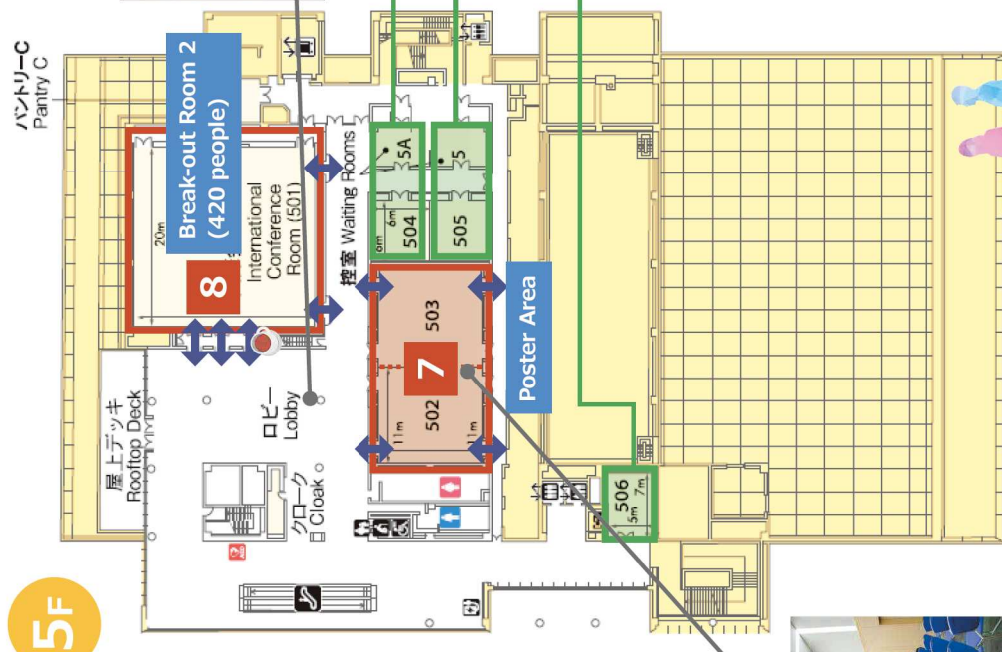


407A : office room
for gOHC technical
and operational staff
(15 participants)

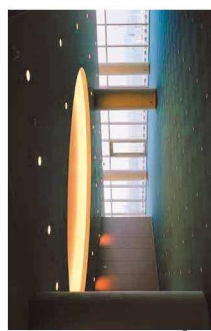
407B : gOHC secretariat
meeting room
for post-production video crew



4F



5F



meeting facilities room 1
(50 participants)
meeting facilities room 2
(50 participants)

meeting room
for the gOHC president
and managing director
(20 participants)

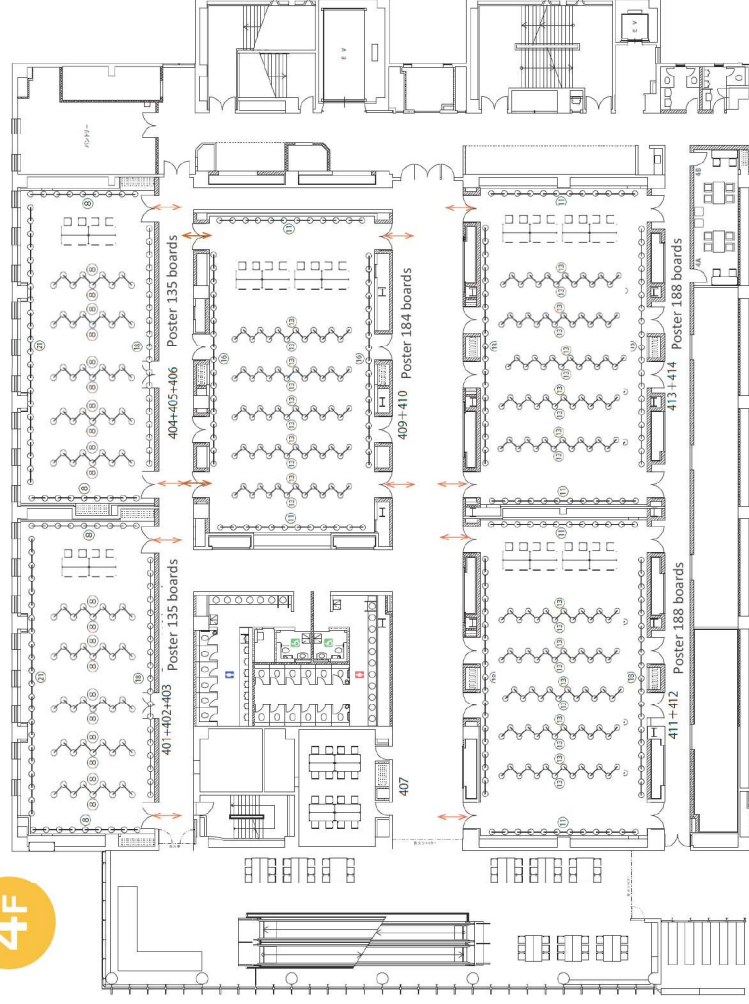
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Exhibit Poster Area Details

We have arranged space for displaying a total of **1,018** posters at the Exhibit Poster Area: 830 posters can be displayed using the space on the 4th floor, and an additional 188 posters can be displayed in some rooms on the 5th floor. Each room will be equipped with tables and chairs, allowing for Poster networking session to be conducted in any room. When not in use for poster networking sessions, these rooms will be available as rest areas.

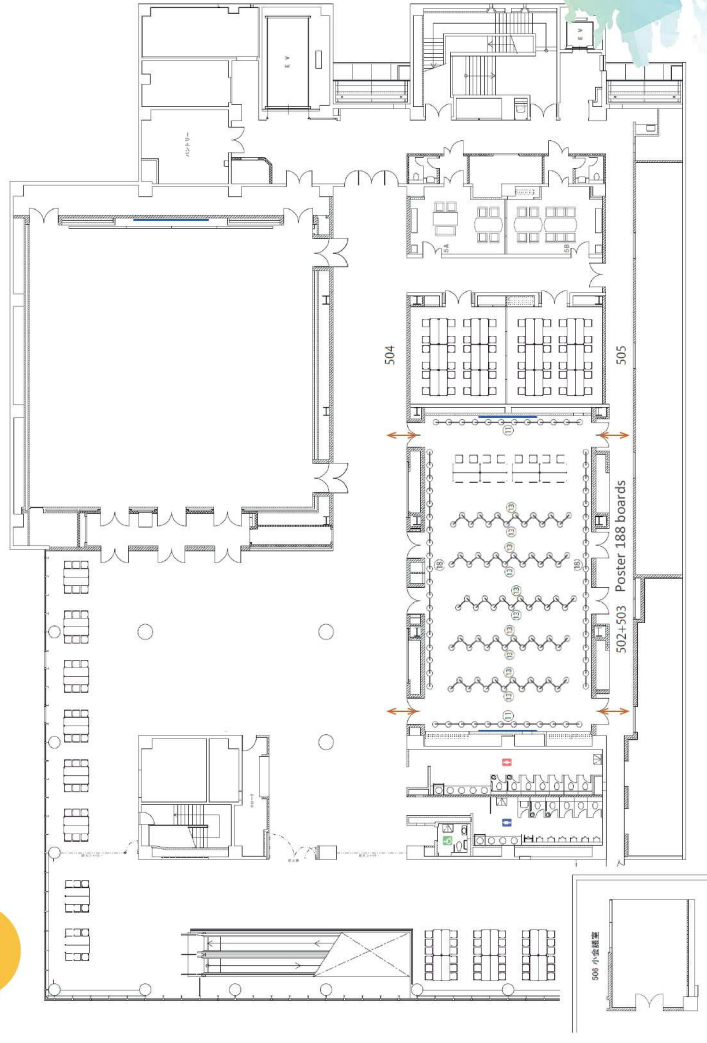
Poster 830 boards

4F



Poster 188 boards

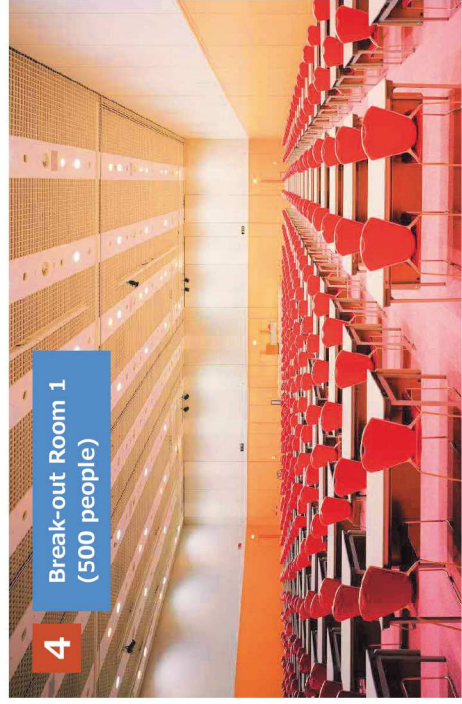
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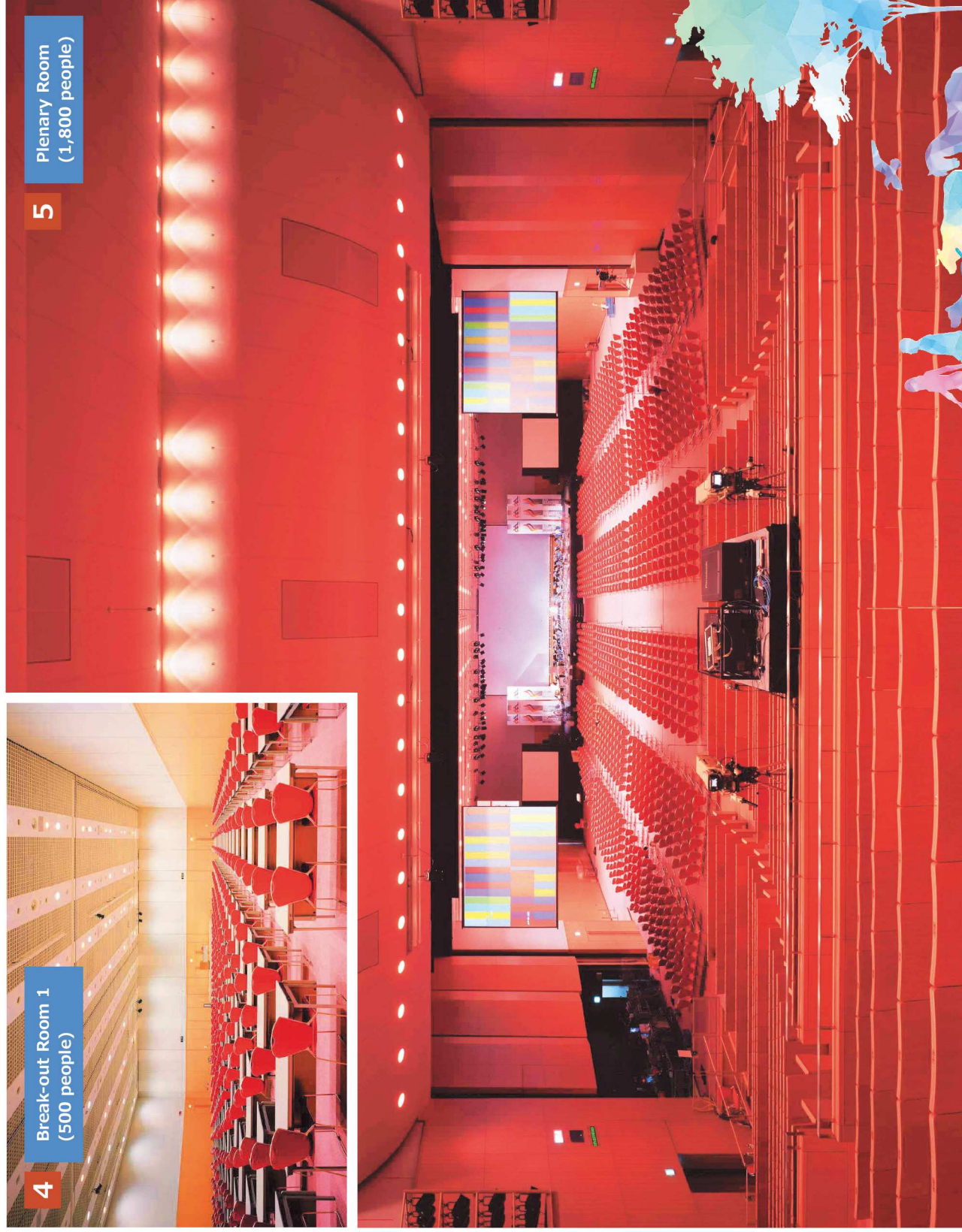
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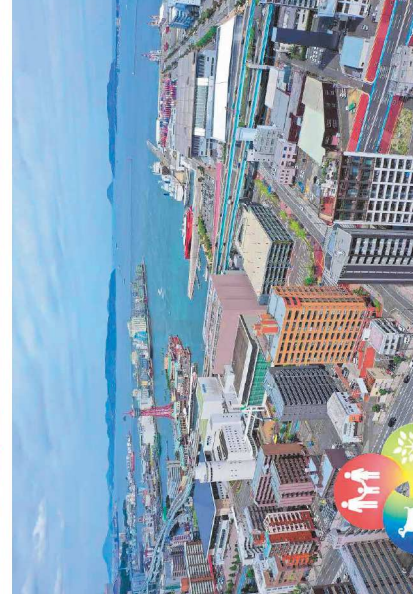
- 3 exhibition booth area:
room for 6 booths (3m*3m)
university lounge area:
room for approximately 10 tabletops



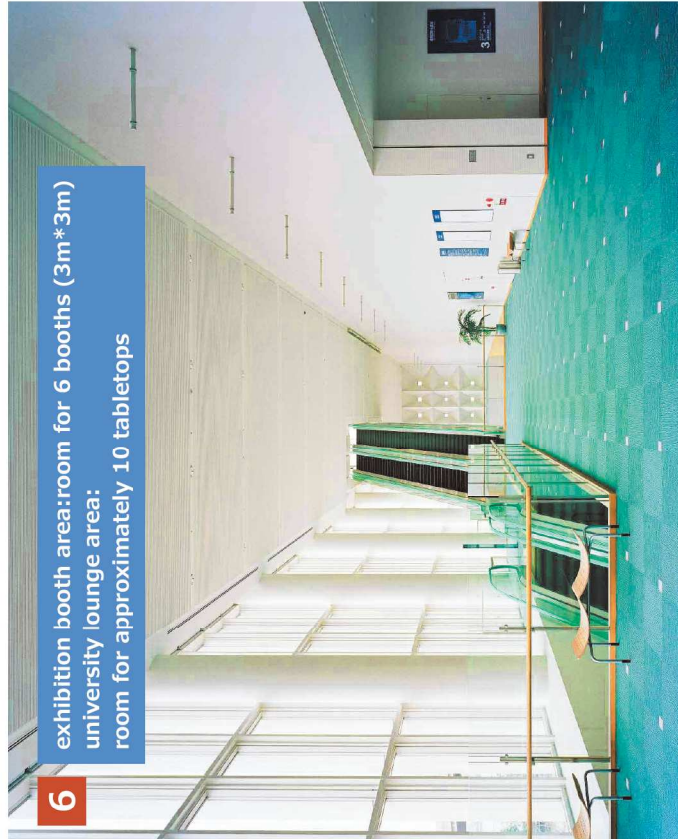
- 4 Break-out Room 1
(500 people)



- 5 Plenary Room
(1,800 people)

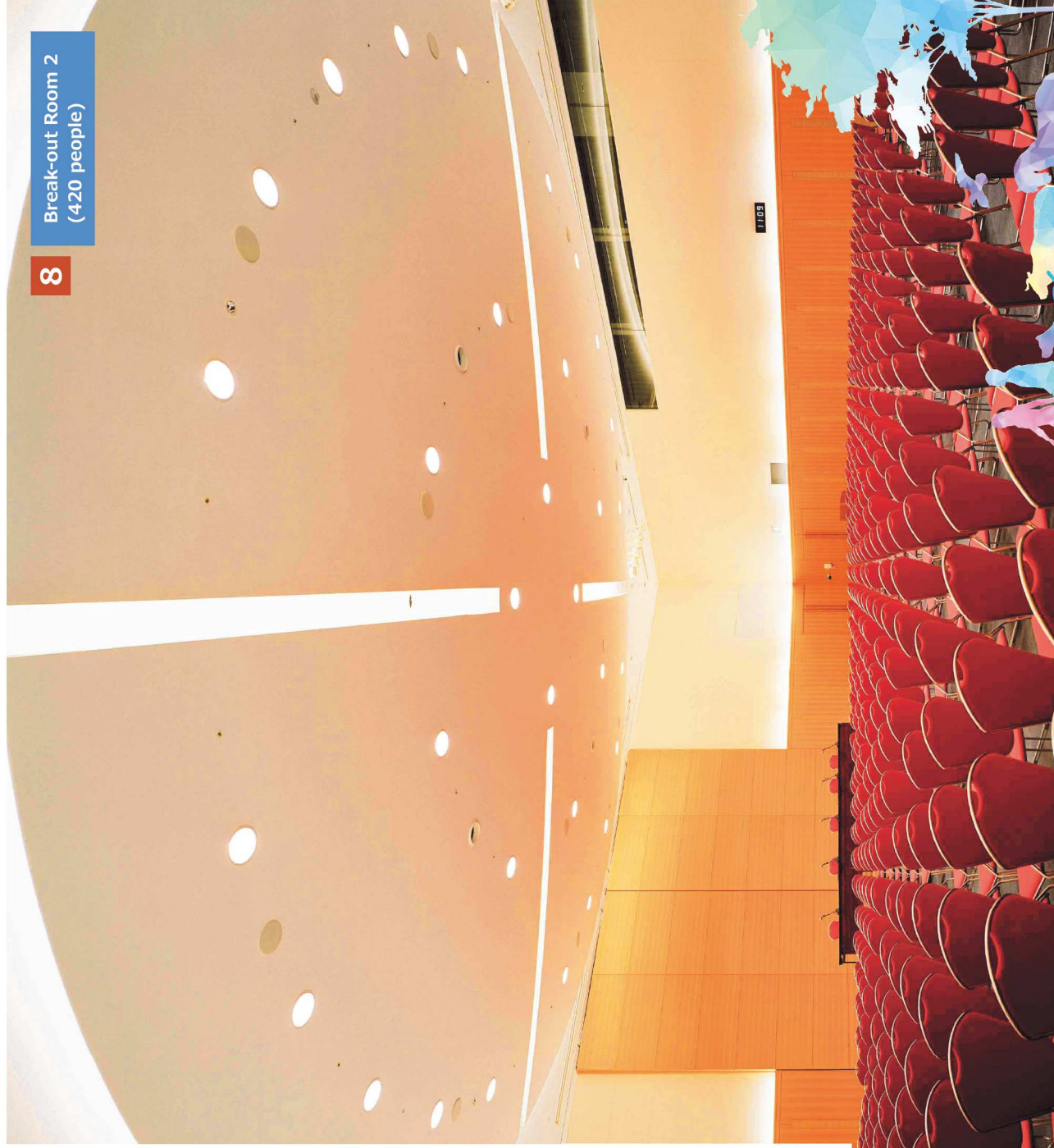


Venue



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exhibition booth area: room for 6 booths (3m*3m)
university lounge area:
room for approximately 10 tabletops



8

Break-out Room 2
(420 people)



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Poster Area



Conference / Event Space Outline

Floor	Room Number	Area (㎡)	Ceiling Height (m)	Capacity	
5F	International Conference Room 501	420	5.5	Conference Theater420	additional break-out room 2(500 pax)
	Conference Room 504	48	5.5	Conference Theater40	meeting facilities room 1
	Conference Room 505	48	5.5	Conference Theater40	meeting facilities room 2
	Conference Room 506	45	3	Hollow Square24	meeting room for the gOHC president and managing director
4F	Conference Room 401 ~ 406	Each 75	4.2	-	poster area
	Conference Room 409 ~ 414	Each 135	5.5	-	poster area
	Conference Room 407A Conference Room 407B	53	3	Hollow Square24	407A : office room for gOHC technical and perational staff (15 participants) 407B : gOHC secretariat
	Waiting Room 4A + 4B	34	-	14	meeting room for post-production video crew
3F	Waiting Room 3C	34	-	Square 12	hospitality suites for sponsors 3 (20 participants)
	Waiting Room 3E	32	-	Square 12	speaker ready room
	Main Hall + 203 + 204	2,224	-	Removable seating 2,000	plenary room (1,800 participants)
	Multipurpose Hall 201 + 202 (Half floor Area)	504	9	Conference Theater 500	additional break-out room 1
2F	Waiting Room 2C	15	-	Square 6	gOHC Congress desk
	Waiting Room 2D	39	-	Square 18	hospitality suites for sponsors 1
	Waiting Room 2E	30	-	Square 24	hospitality suites for sponsors 2

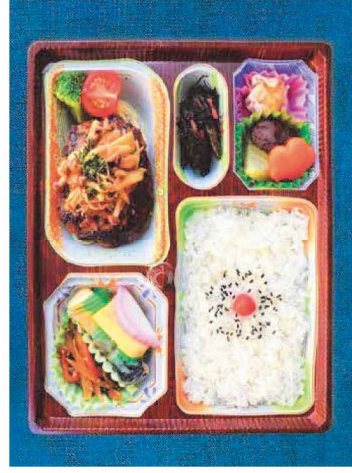
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Food and Beverage

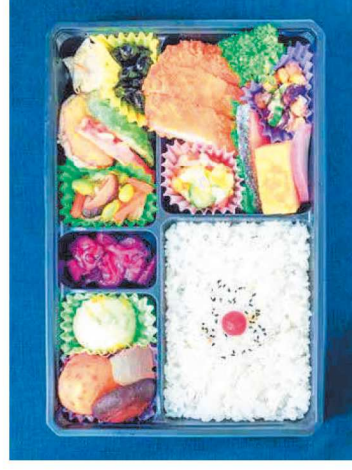
Food and beverages are permitted in almost all areas within the Fukuoka International Congress Center. For catering at the venue, we can select from a list of approved providers designated by the Congress Center. These caterers offer a diverse range of menus, and we can recommend options that best suit the budget, the number of attendees, and the preferences. For example, we can customize lunch options to include rice or bread, baked goods or fruit, and coffee or tea. Naturally, they are also able to accommodate special dietary requirements like halal and vegan options.

[Examples]

JPY 1,000 (EUR 6.24) BENTO boxes



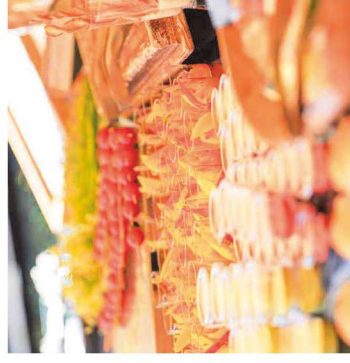
JPY 1,500 (EUR 9.36) BENTO boxes



Light Refreshments



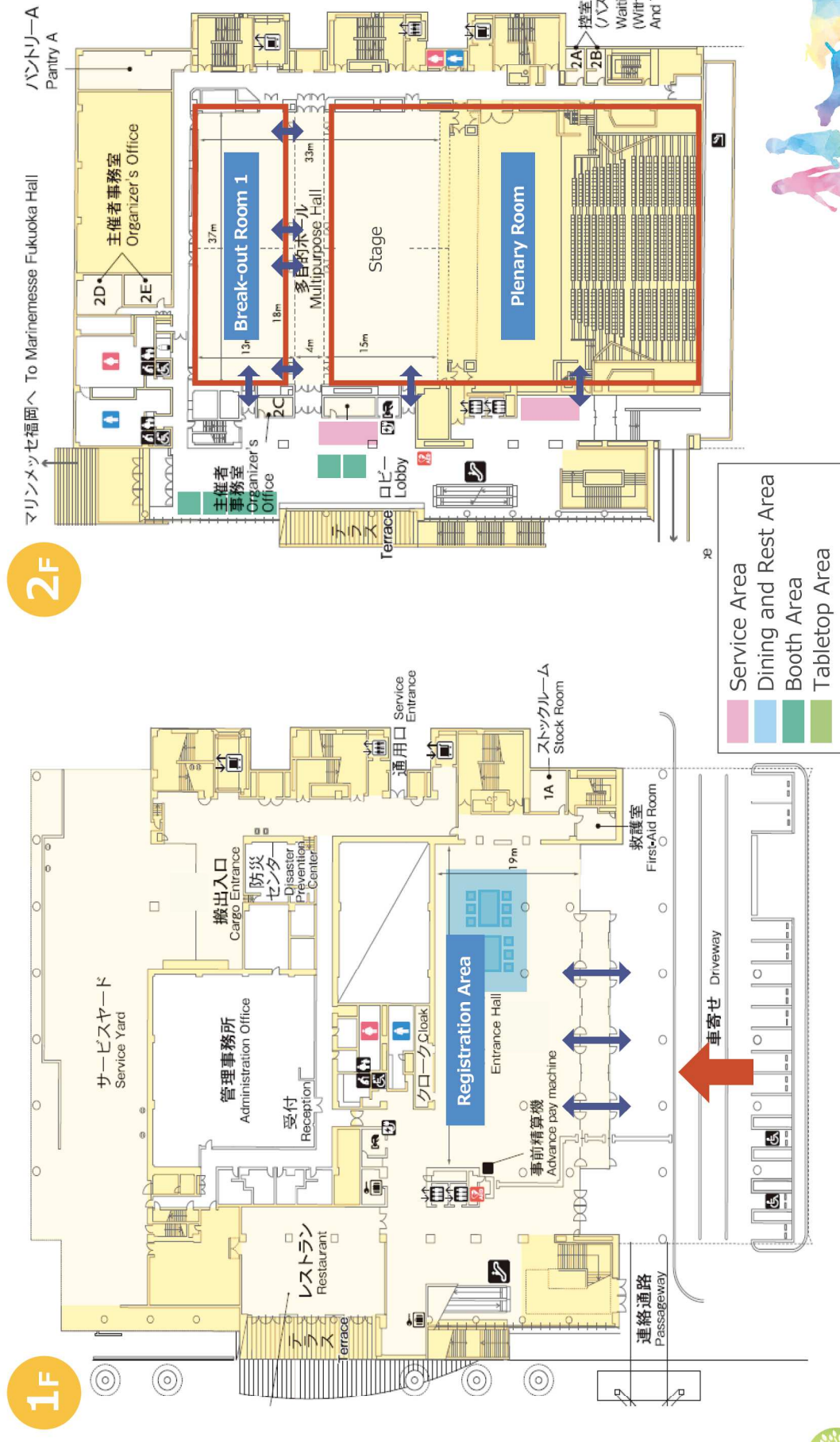
(Farewell networking)



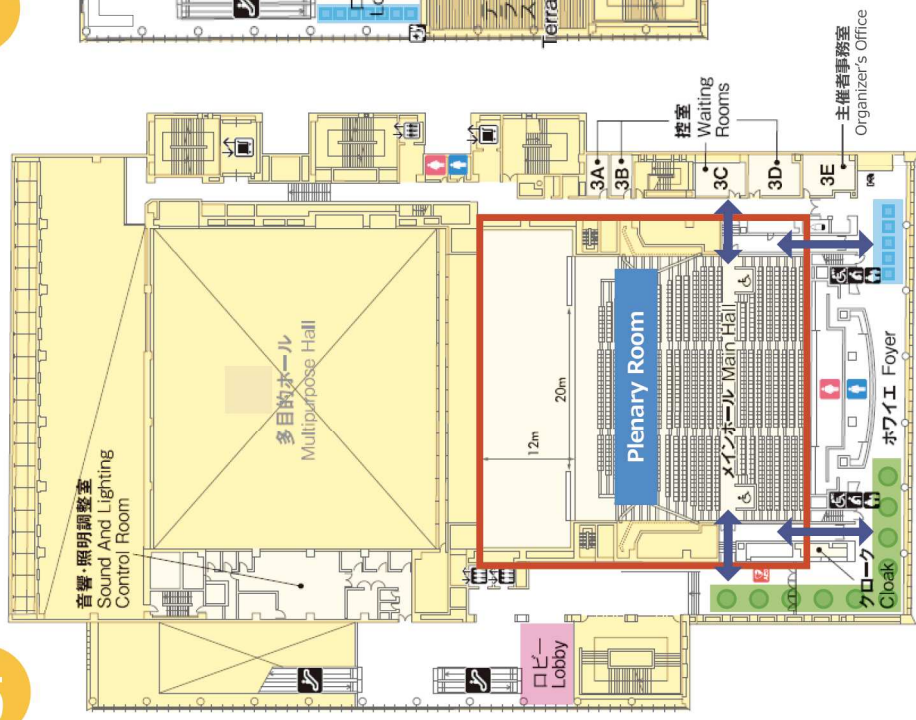
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Dining and Refreshment Areas, Working and Rest Spaces

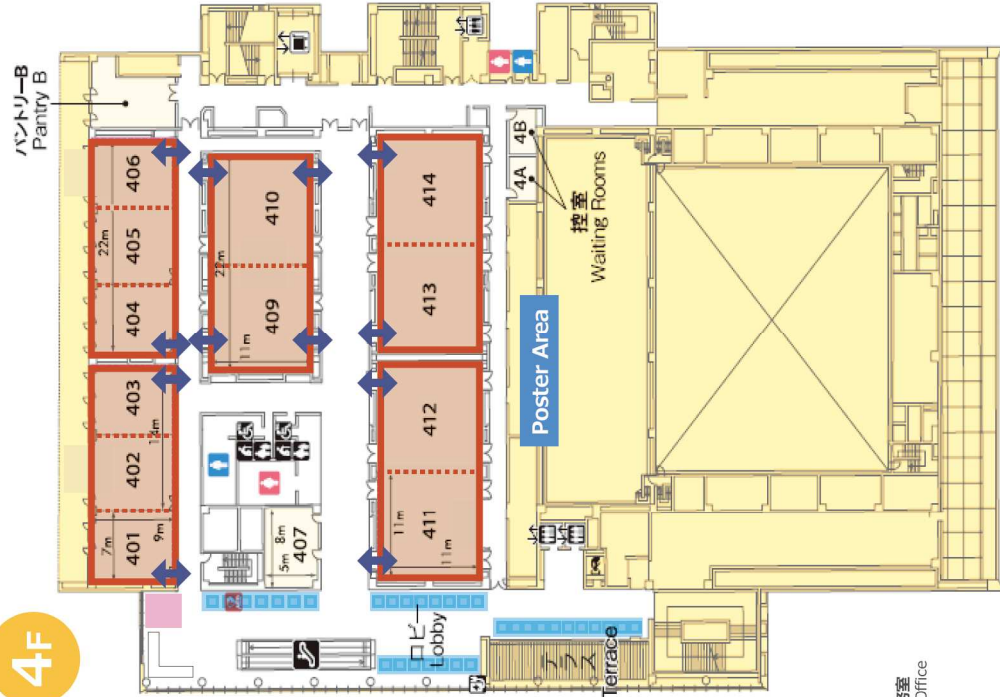
Lunch (bento boxes) and refreshments will be provided on each floor from the 2nd to the 5th. The 5th floor will feature a staffed dining area at all times, and where meals catering to dietary needs such as allergies, as well as halal and vegan options, will be provided. Additionally, self-service coffee, tea stations and other refreshments will be set up on each of these floor. At 5:00 PM, alcoholic beverages and snacks will be served to facilitate interaction among participants. Food and drinks are permitted throughout the venue, including inside the meeting rooms. We will also provide additional working and rest spaces in the lobby areas on each floor, with a particular focus on utilizing the reception area on the 1st floor.



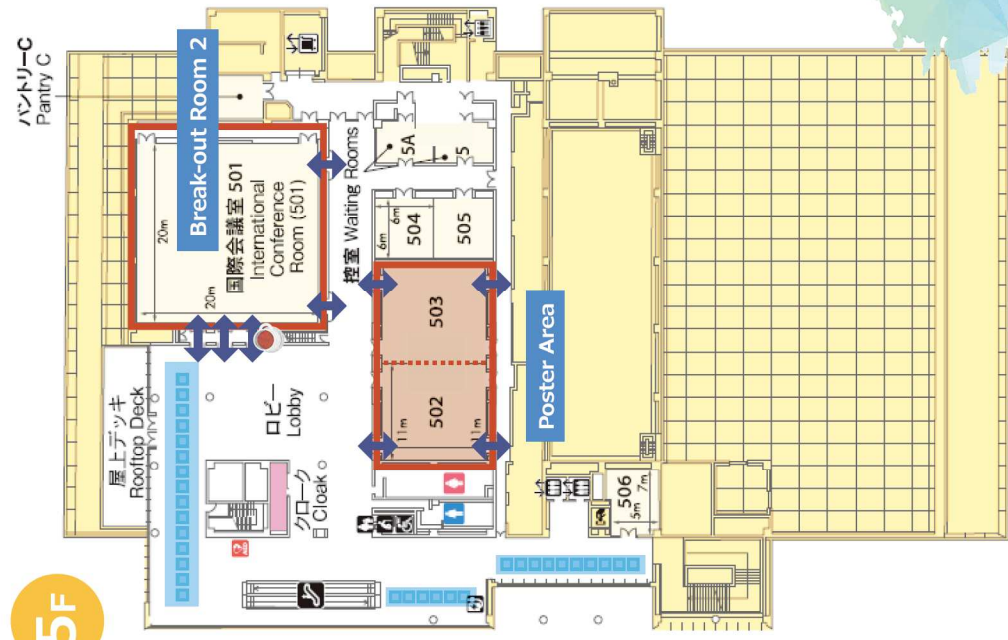
3F



4F



5F



- Service Area
- Dining and Rest Area
- Booth Area
- Tabletop Area

Venue

The Fukuoka International Congress Center, a premier venue located within the city's "Convention Zone," a cluster of five convention facilities, offers state-of-the-art facilities and exceptional service. It has a proven track record of hosting numerous successful events with a wide range of attendance figures.

Past Events

over 2,000 attendees

Date	Event	Attendees
Jun 24-28, 2016	The 99th Lions Clubs International Convention	16,600
Dec 5-9, 2016	The 23rd International Display Workshops in conjunction with Asia Display 2016 (IDW/AD'16)	3,000
May 8-10, 2018	The 16th ITS Asia-Pacific Forum FUKUOKA 2018	3,500
Oct 10-13, 2019	The 6th Congress of Asian College of Neuropsychopharmacology (AsCNP)	2,200
Jun 13-16, 2024	Japan Endovascular Treatment Conference 2024 (JET2024)	2,000
Sep 3-7, 2025 (est.)	The 27th Asia-Pacific League of Associations for Rheumatology Congress (APLAR)	3,000
Aug 2-7, 2026 (est.)	Asia Oceania Geosciences Society (AOGS2026)	4,000
Oct 8-13, 2026 (est.)	The XXVII International Congress of the International Academy of Pathology (IAP2026)	2,500

1,000 - 1,999 attendees

Date	Event	Attendees
Dec 13-16, 2016	The 11th SPS International Polymer Conference (IPC2016)	1,400
Jun 4-8, 2017	SpinTECH 9	1,000
Sep 22-28, 2018	World Social Science Forum (WSSF2018)	1,600
Apr 17-22, 2019	RubyKaigi 2019	1,400
Jul 30 - Aug 3, 2023	International Society of Biomechanics 2023 Congress	1,370
Nov 9-12, 2025 (est.)	The 11th Asian Pig Veterinary Society Congress 2025 (APVS2025)	1,000



Shinto shrines and Buddhist temples



Arakurayama Sengen Park
(Yamanashi Pref.)

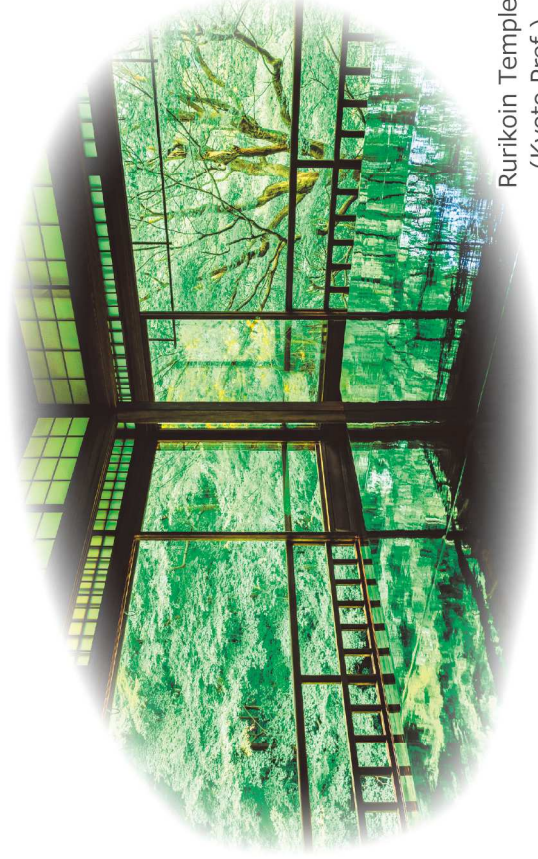
Take a Break.



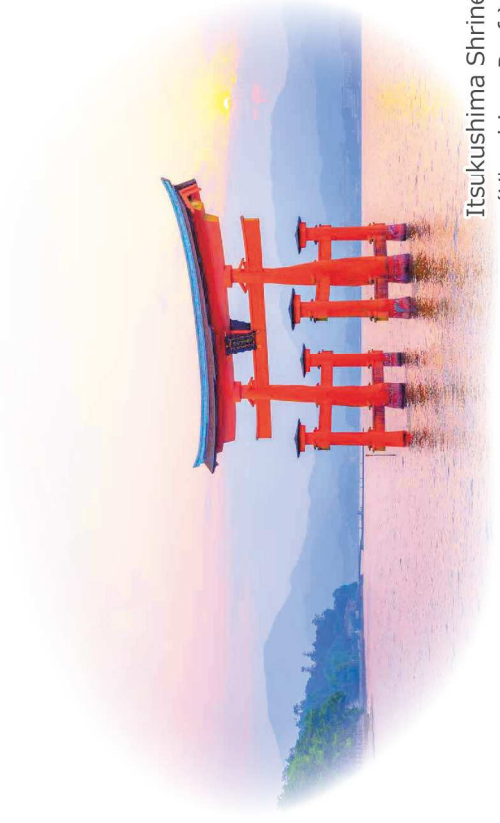
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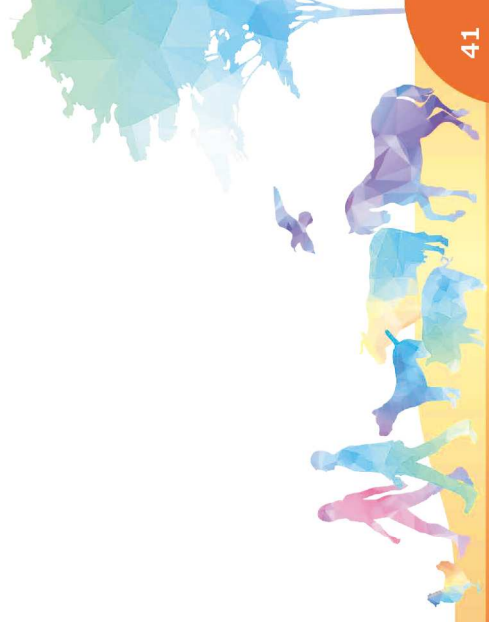


Rurikoin Temple
(Kyoto Pref.)



Itsukushima Shrine
(Hiroshima Pref.)

Location and Access

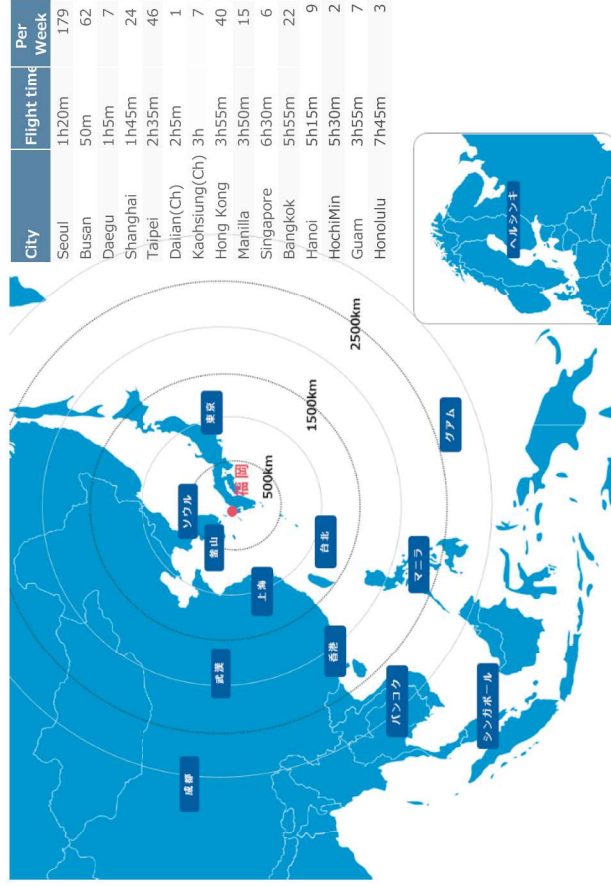


Location and Access

Access to Fukuoka from overseas – World-class International Accessibility

1. International Access

The key feature of Fukuoka lies in its excellent domestic and international accessibility. With numerous direct flights from cities across Japan and Asia, coupled with seamless local transportation, it has received high praise from participants both domestically and internationally. Below you can see listed the direct flights within Asia. From outside Asia, access is easy via the hub airports like Seoul, or Tokyo (Narita or Haneda).



Reliability

Average delay of Bullet Train: Less than 1 min.

The average delay of the bullet train over an entire year of operation is only 36 seconds.

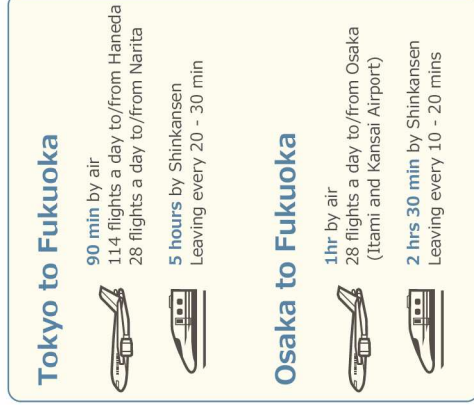
2. Domestic Access

Air Network

There are 114 flights daily to/from Haneda Airport, 28 flights to Narita Airport, 28 flights to Osaka (Itami and Kansai Airport), and 26 flights to Nagoya's Chubu Centrair Airport, providing a well-connected domestic air network.

Train Access

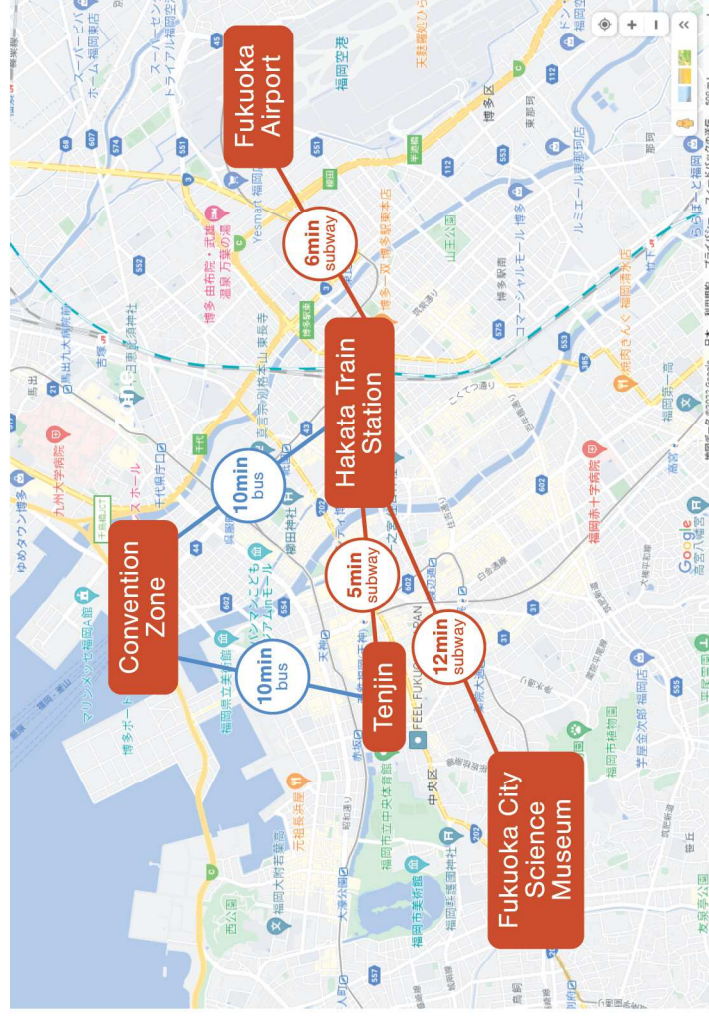
Additionally, if using the JR Shinkansen, it is very convenient with a travel time of 2.5 hours to Shin-Osaka, 3 hours and 20 minutes to Nagoya, and 5 hours to Tokyo from Hakata Station.



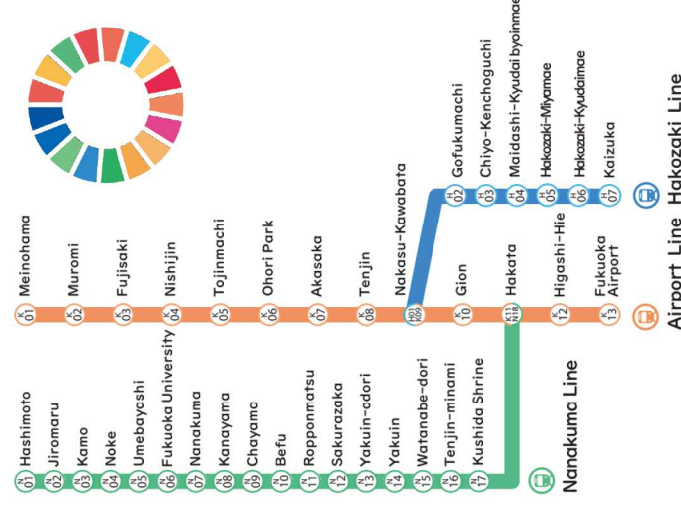
Access in the city – Getting around/and to the Venue/Hotel facilities

Upon arrival at Fukuoka Airport, you can reach the congress center and hotels within 15 minutes! Fukuoka Airport is conveniently connected to Hakata Station and Tenjin by subway, just a short 6-minute ride to the city center.

A free shuttle bus operates between the domestic and international terminals (approximately a 10-minute ride).



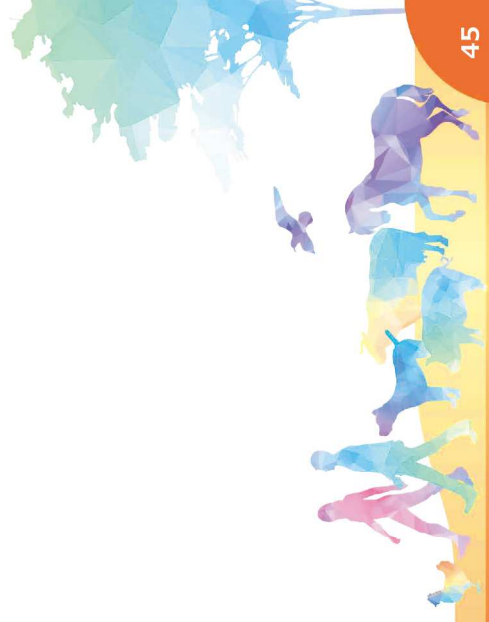
- * A subway ticket from Fukuoka International Airport to Hakata Station costs just JPY 260 (approximately EUR 1.60).
- * A bus from Hakata Station to the Fukuoka Congress Center costs only JPY 260 (approximately EUR 1.60).
- * All-day bus passes are available for unlimited hop-on, hop-off travel.
- * A taxi from Fukuoka Airport to the Fukuoka Congress Center costs approximately JPY 2,200 (about EUR 13.55).
- * Taxis can be easily and safely ordered using apps like Uber.



Environmentally Friendly Transportation

The Fukuoka City Transportation Bureau, which operates the Fukuoka City Subway, is committed to promoting environmentally friendly transportation and a low-carbon society. The Narakuma Line, in particular, was designed with energy efficiency in mind, and its Hashimoto vehicle base utilizes a natural energy system.

Accommodation





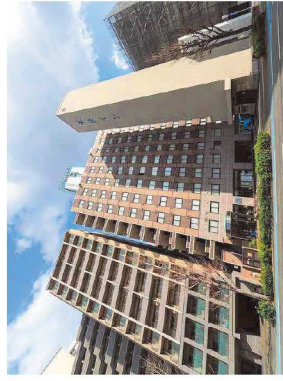
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A Wide Range of Hotel Options for Attendees

Due to the increase in convention hosting, the number of accommodations in the city has significantly expanded. With over 40,000 guest rooms at our numerous city hotels.

Listed below are the average prices for the hotels listed on a date during our proposed Fukuoka convention time. (2024 prices used for reference)

Fukuoka City has a variety of hotel types to suit every budget.



Toyoko Inn Hakata ★★★
Average price per night:
52 EUR
Distance to Congress Center
2.4km
10-minute bus

Hotel Okura Fukuoka ★★★★
Average price per night:
170 EUR
Distance to Congress Center
18-min walk to Congress Center

The Ritz-Carlton Fukuoka ★★★★★
Average price per night:
753 EUR
Distance to Congress Center
2.4km
10-minute taxi



Recommended Hotel for WOHC Chairs and Keynote Speakers: Hotel Nikko Fukuoka

Hotel Nikko Fukuoka is an ideal accommodation choice for WOHC chairs and keynote speakers, offering convenience, comfort, and a range of amenities. The hotel features 360 rooms, including twin and double rooms, as well as suites and traditional Japanese-style rooms, catering to a variety of preferences.

Located just a 3-minute walk from Hakata Station, the hotel is directly connected via an underground passage, ensuring a dry and comfortable commute even on rainy days. It is also a mere 1-minute walk from the bus stop, with buses running approximately every 5 to 10 minutes in the morning, taking about 10 minutes to reach the conference venue. Additionally, shuttle buses can be arranged upon request for added convenience.

Breakfast is served buffet-style with Japanese and Western options, and room service is available for those who prefer dining in their room.

Guests can enjoy the indoor pool, gym, and sauna for relaxation and rejuvenation.

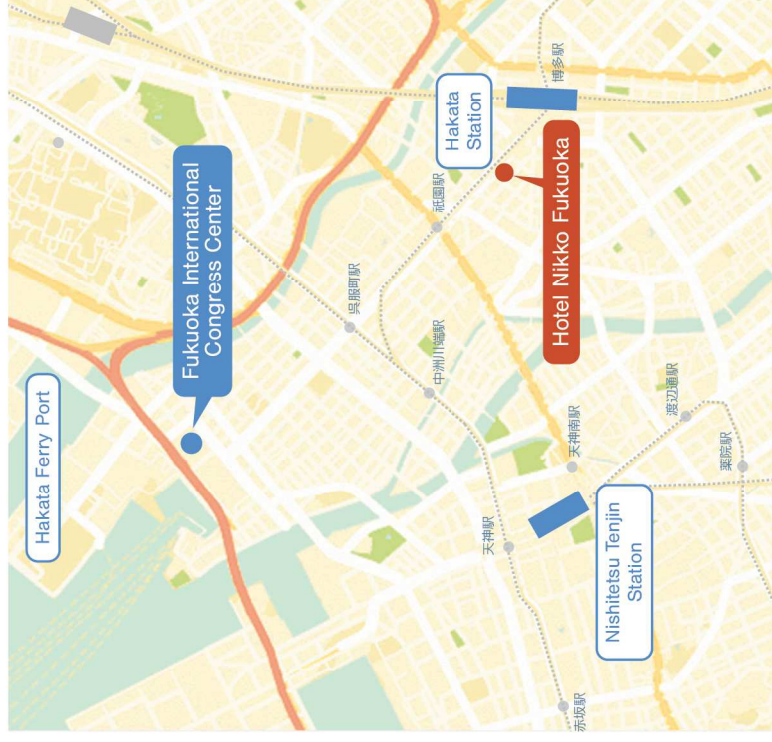
Hotel Nikko Fukuoka combines exceptional service with a strategic location, making it the perfect choice for distinguished guests attending the WOHC.



Hotel Nikko Fukuoka ★★★★★

Average price per night : 137 EUR

Distance to Congress Center : 10-minute bus



Japanese onsen (hot springs)



Beppu Onsen
(Oita Pref.)

Soak & Soothe. 



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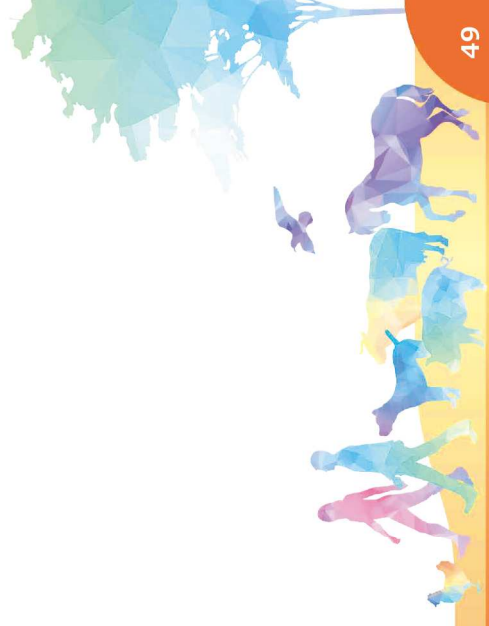


Unzen Onsen
(Nagasaki Pref.)



Ibusuki Onsen
(Kagoshima Pref.)

Host Destination Information





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Language

The official language of Japan is Japanese.
Most people involved with the travel industry speak English.



Time Zone

+9 hours (GMT) (+14 hours from EST and +17 hours from PST).
Japan does not observe daylight savings time



Business Hours

Banks – 9:00 – 15:00. Closed Sat, Sun and holidays.
Post offices – 9:00 – 17:00. Closed Sat, Sun and holidays.
Retail stores – 10:00 – 20:00. Usually also open Sat, Sun and holidays.



Electricity

Voltage – 100V AC (note: throughout Japan) Electrical Current – 50Hz (Tokyo and Eastern Japan). 60Hz (Kyoto, Osaka and rest of Western Japan) Sockets – Standard flat two-pin.



Currency

The currency of Japan is the yen. Even if you haven't prepared cash in advance, you can easily exchange for Japanese yen upon arrival. There are currency exchange counters in the arrival halls of all major airports.



Tax

The consumption tax is applied at the time of purchasing goods and services, and the current tax rate is 10%.



Tipping

It is not necessary to tip for service in Japan, such as at restaurants, bars, taxis, airports and hotels. However, hotels and some restaurants indicate an additional service charge on their bills or menus, respectively.



Business Overview

Japan's economic situation shows that its nominal GDP in 2023 is approximately \$5 trillion, making it the third-largest economy in the world. The economic growth rate has been modest, recording about 1.7% growth in 2022.



Population and Geography

Population of Japan: 125 million
Japan's area is comparable to that of Germany or California. Japan's northernmost islands are located on a similar geographical latitude as Milan or Portland, while her southernmost islands are on a similar latitude as the Bahamas. More than 50% of the country is mountainous and covered by forests. Japan is politically structured into 8 regions and 47 prefectures.



Religion

Japan's religion is diverse, primarily centered around Shinto and Buddhism. Shinto is the indigenous religion of Japan, focusing on the veneration of nature and ancestors, with festivals and rituals held at shrines. Buddhism was introduced from China and has various sects. Additionally, Christianity and new religious movements also exist, and religious events and customs are deeply embedded in daily life. Many Japanese people typically incorporate both Shinto and Buddhist practices through rituals and festivals.



Size

Japan is an island nation located in East Asia, known for its rich culture and history, as well as its remarkable advancements in technology and economy.



Borders

Japan is an island nation surrounded by the sea. Its main borders are maritime, with neighboring countries including China, South Korea, and Russia, but it does not have any direct land borders.



Political landscape

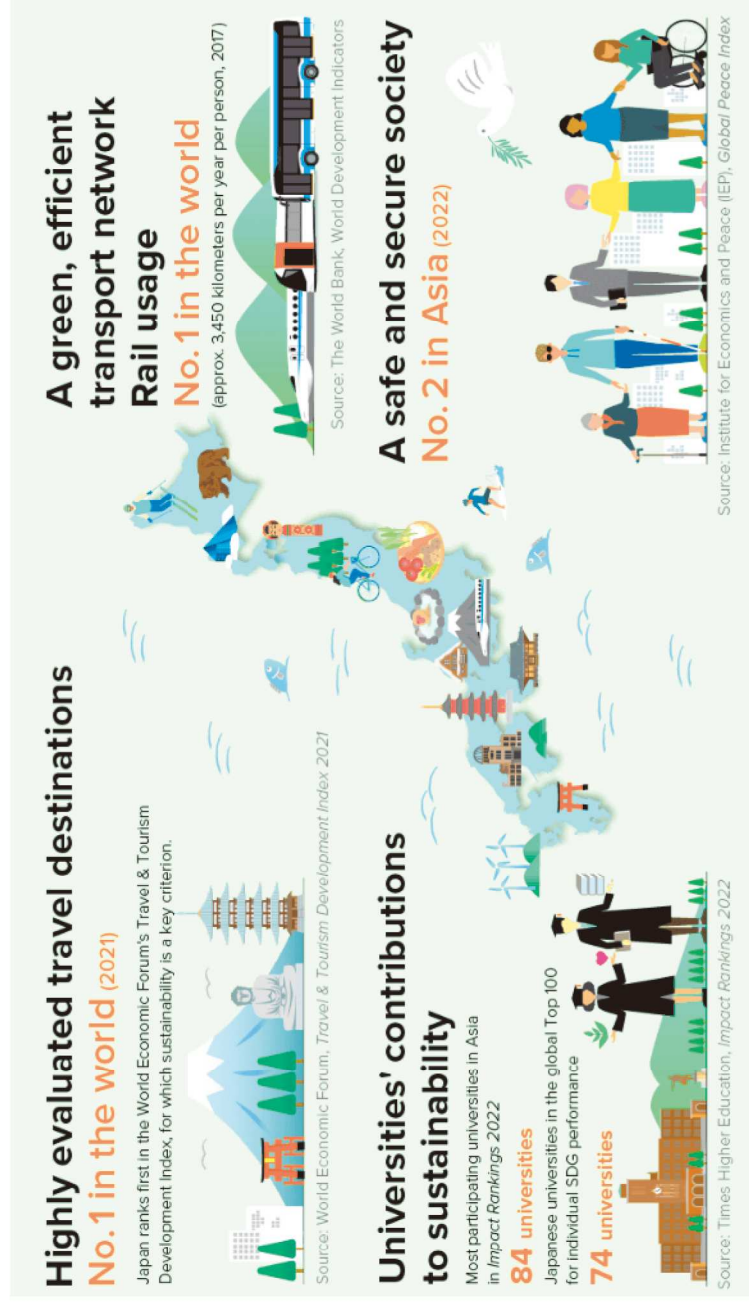
Japan's political situation is based on a parliamentary democracy, with the Cabinet and the National Diet (a bicameral legislature) at its core. Major political parties include the Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) and the Constitutional Democratic Party. Recently, economic policies, diplomacy, and security issues have become significant challenges. Additionally, social issues such as an aging population and sluggish economic growth also have an impact.

■ Destination Fact

Experience Japan: Innovation and Sustainability for the WOHC

Japan has a national action plan to achieve the SDGs. Local governments and private companies are committed to the cause. Areas of special focus include carbon neutrality, energy-saving, renewable energy, and the reduction of food loss. Those in the meetings industry soon experience Japan's forward-looking approach in many contexts: cutting-edge infrastructure, advanced transit systems, accessible facilities, and, of

course, highly attentive professionals. Your partners in Japan will typically go well beyond the call of duty to deliver the best possible solutions. And wherever you go to enjoy Japan's beautiful scenery and fascinating heritage, you will encounter instructive examples of environmental stewardship, technological breakthroughs, and corporate innovations that contribute to sustainable solutions.



Safety and Security

Japan is widely recognized as one of the safest countries in the world, boasting exceptionally low crime rates and clean, orderly cities. According to 2022 statistics, Japan's crime rate is among the lowest of all OECD member countries. Lost items are frequently turned in to the police, and a remarkably high percentage are returned to their owners. Visitors can enjoy peace of mind exploring cities day or night, and even children can travel safely on public transportation or walk alone after dark with relative security.

Our proposed venue features an on-site management office on the first floor, ensuring prompt and appropriate responses to any emergencies. Furthermore, as all conference attendees will enter through the first-floor entrance hall, we can implement efficient security measures to prevent unauthorized access and identify potential threats.

We are confident that Japan's safe and secure environment will significantly contribute to the success of the WOHC.

**Cash returned to
lost and found desks in JAPAN :**

USD 105 million/year

The amount of cash returned to lost and found desks in JAPAN is a total of 105 million US dollars per year. Frequently, lost items are reunited with their owner.



VISA Exemptions

71 visa exemption countries and regions

At present, 71 countries and regions are exempt from obtaining a visa to enter Japan and there is further relaxation of requirements planned.

VISA information

Japan currently has visa exemption arrangements with 71 countries (2024 Jan)

Short term stay exempt countries are listed on the right

Visa information – 71 countries and regions exempt from visa

■ As of January 2024, nationals and citizens of the 71 countries and regions shown on the right are not required to obtain a visa to enter Japan if their trip is for tourism, commerce, conferences, visiting relatives/acquaintances, and so on.

■ For more detailed information please see the below web link:

Exemption of Visa (Short-Term Stay) Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan

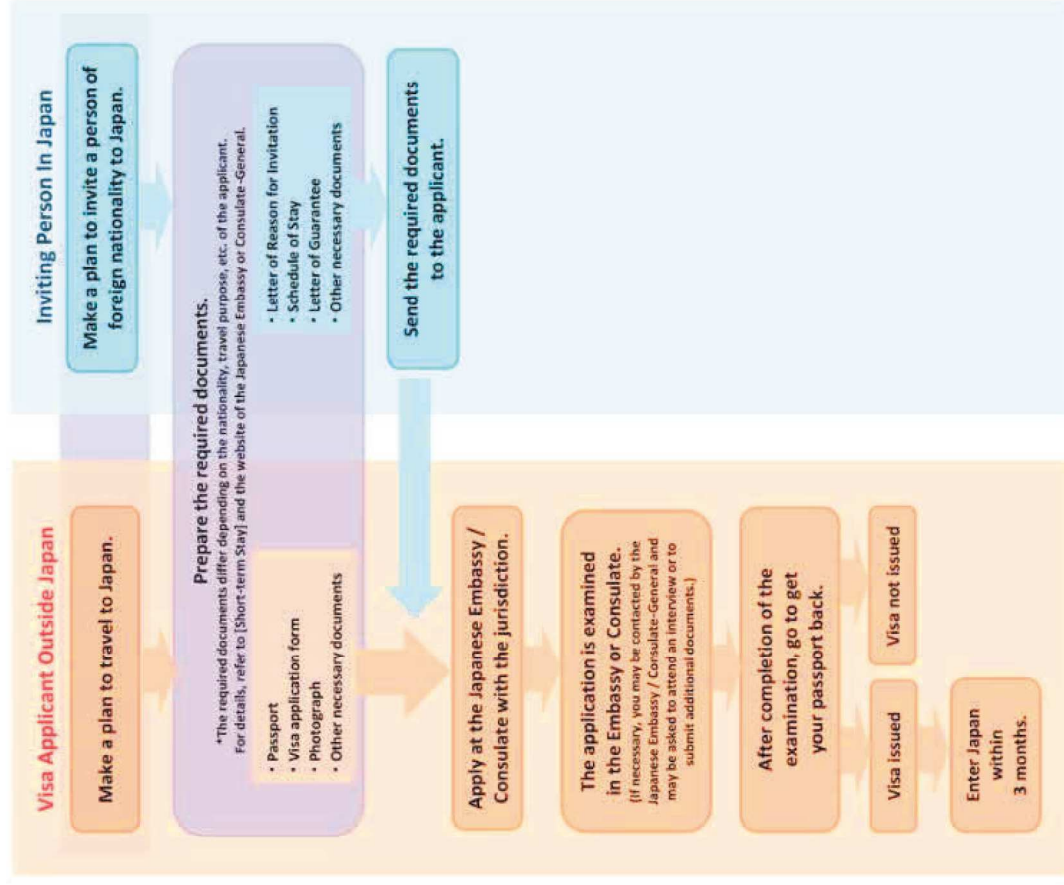
http://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/short/novisa.html

■ The FCVB will introduce various local companies who can efficiently help processing visa applications for attendees coming from countries that require visas.

Visa exempt countries

Africa	Lesotho, Mauritius, Tunisia
Asia	Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Thailand, Hong Kong, Macao, Taiwan
Europe	Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, North Macedonia, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom
Latin America and the Caribbean	Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Panama, Suriname, Uruguay
Middle East	Israel, Qatar, Türkiye, United Arab Emirates
North America	Canada, United States
Oceania	Australia, New Zealand

For those who do require a visa, we will provide a **Letter of Invitation**, upon request, to support the visa application process.



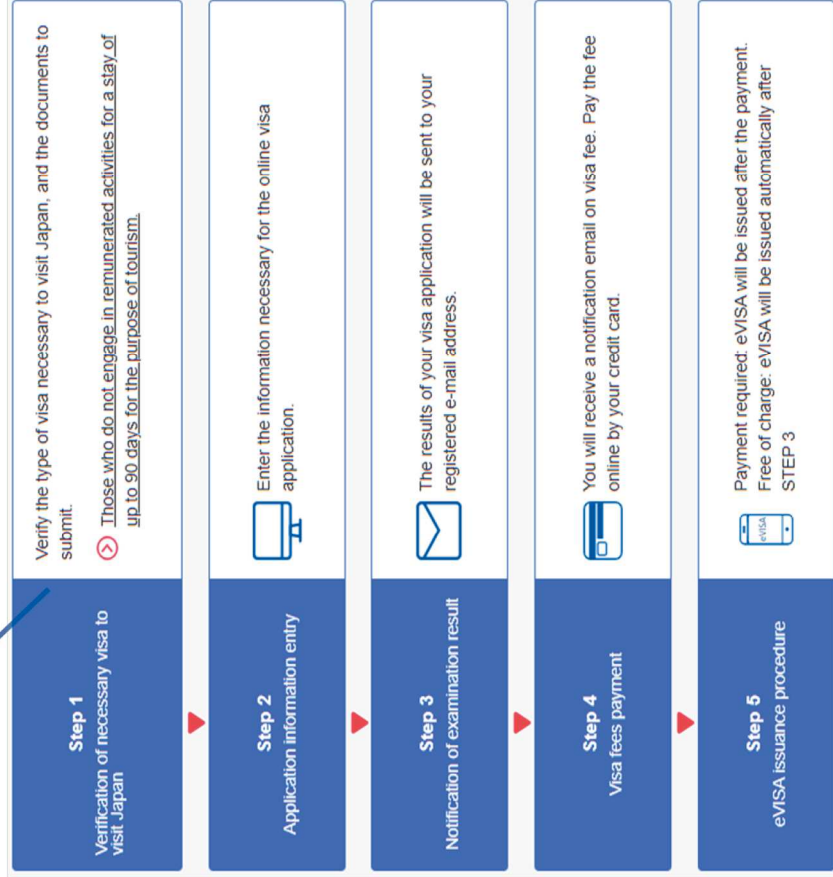
Further information on visa procedures can be found on the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan:

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Japanese government is also operating **eVISA** system for those who satisfies the appropriate conditions.

Visa procedures are now simpler, with **more countries eligible**. Japan aims to become Asia's top host of international conferences by FY2025, so further visa relaxation is **huge expected!**



Further information on eVISA system can be found on the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan: <https://www.evvisa.mofa.go.jp/index>



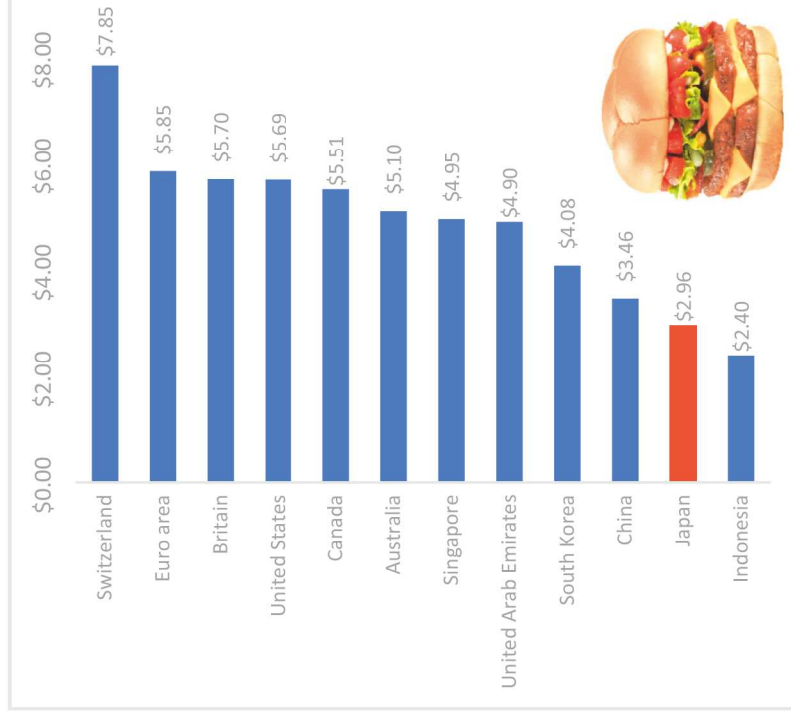
Affordability

Many foreign visitors mistakenly believe that prices are very high in Japan but this is not necessarily the case.

For example, according to "The Big Mac Index," a study by The Economist in 2022, Japan ranks 41th in the world, well below many of the European and North American countries, and even below some Asian countries. (See chart.)

Japan has a wide variety of traditional and modern products, crafts and souvenirs at a range of prices and at the high quality that Japan is known for. Visitors often enjoy shopping at discount shops, including the "100-yen Shops " (equivalent to EUR 0.74).

The Big Mac Index

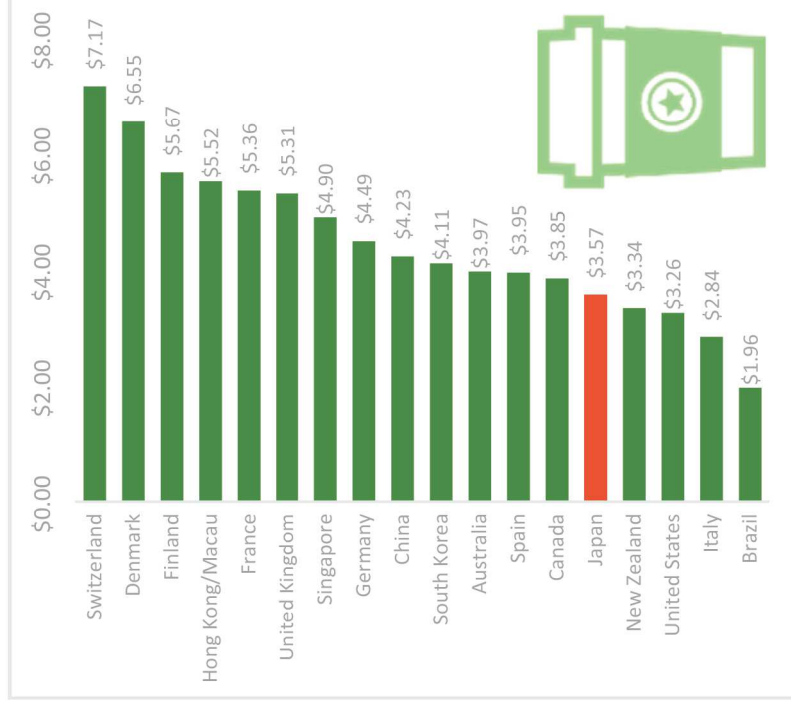


Unit: U.S. dollars. Source: The Economist

* Last updated: Jan 2024

* Euro area: Weighted average of member countries

The Starbucks Index



Unit: U.S. dollars. Source: CashNetUSA

* Last updated: February 21, 2022

SDGs

Involvement in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals

Japan has always placed a great emphasis on the importance of coexisting in harmony with nature. This is a country where the “mottainai” culture was born and thriving, prompting people to naturally practice conscious consumption and active recycling. There are very few public garbage bins and yet the cities are clean, and various practices are in place to make full use of given resources without producing waste -- as in the case of wooden chopsticks, for example, which are products of wood that would otherwise be discarded.

The majority of cities in Japan are active in local production for local consumption, have preserved traditional culture, and are engaged in promoting sustainable lifestyles for their communities.

Japan further has highly efficient public transportation, including trains, ferries, and bicycles, and the availability of direct flights from many countries altogether helps reduce CO2 emissions.

Last but not least, conference venues are also extensively involved in meeting the SDGs. Many facilities promote an active reduction, reuse, and recycling of plastics at the very base.

e.g. ✓ incorporated solar panels in its mission to use

renewable energy

✓ reducing plastic use and promoting environmentally-safe products and food.

✓ improvement of green space and accessible design

Event organizers can also commit to supporting local initiatives that contribute to the preservation, conservation, and use of sustainable resources, such as carbon offset system.

These sustainable elements can be incorporated into international conferences at various levels. Conference organizers should find venues that meet the conference's objectives and the scope of the SDGs they are focusing on.

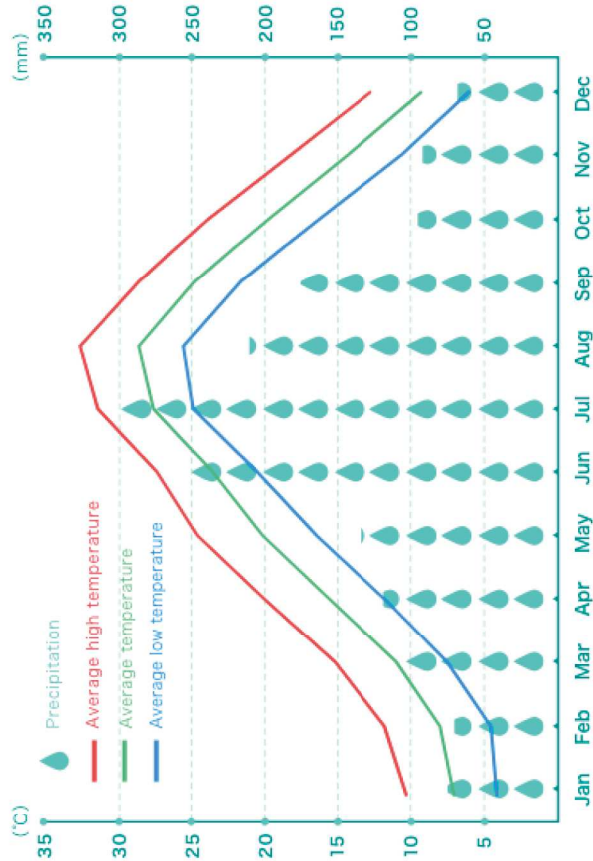


Fukuoka Prefecture and City

Fukuoka Weather and Climate

Climate in Fukuoka (temperature and precipitation)

The figures are average values (for the period of 1991 - 2020)



[Source] Japan Meteorological Agency official website

Proposed Dates	3-6 October, 2028 (Tue-Fri)
Average temperature	20 degrees Celsius (68 degrees Fahrenheit)
Sunrise	6:10
Sunset	18:00

- Our proposed dates, 3-6 October 2028, will be in the middle of autumn. It will be after the end of typhoon season and people will enjoy various outdoor activities in the sunny and pleasant climate at this time of the year. The climate is similar to September in Capetown. All meeting facilities, hotels, and public transport have air-conditioning.
- Situated in the middle latitude of northern hemisphere, the daytime (from sunrise to sunset) is 11 hours and 50 minutes, not too long as those in the higher latitudes such as Europe and participants may be able to comfortably adjust the life style to this.
- Typhoons are the common risk to Asia/Oceania regions (except very near the equator) . To Kyushu island, there were 83 typhoon hits during a 73-year period from 1951 to 2023 (throughout the year) . Since Fukuoka is in the northern part of island and typhoons typically come from the south or south west, the area is kind of protected or less likely to get damaged by typhoons.

