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Dear Colleagues,

I take great pleasure in cordially inviting you to join the many hundreds of members of the IGU family who will attend the IGU Regional Conference from 4–9 August 2013 in Kyoto, Japan. In choosing Kyoto as the site for a Conference devoted to “Traditional Wisdom and Modern Knowledge for the Earth’s Future,” our Japanese colleagues have selected a most appropriate setting for exploring and elaborating past and future geographical solutions to the challenges humankind faces in living sustainably on our fragile planet. Please reserve the dates of the Conference now and make note of the additional information regarding abstract and registration deadlines, lodging, field excursions, and social events in this circular. I look forward to seeing you in Kyoto in August 2013.

Ron Abler, President (International Geographical Union)



Invitation to Kyoto Regional Conference

招待

On behalf of the geographic community in Japan, it is our great pleasure to invite you to participate in the Kyoto Regional Conference, which will be held from August 4–9, 2013. The main theme of the conference is “Traditional Wisdom and Modern Knowledge for the Earth’s Future.”

The ancient capital of Japan, Kyoto is globally recognized in association with the Kyoto Protocol, which was concluded in December 1997 at the Kyoto International Conference Center, where the Conference is scheduled to be held. We hope the Conference adds a new page in the history of this memorable venue and succeeds in enhancing global understanding, especially in the light of the global environmental challenges the world now faces.

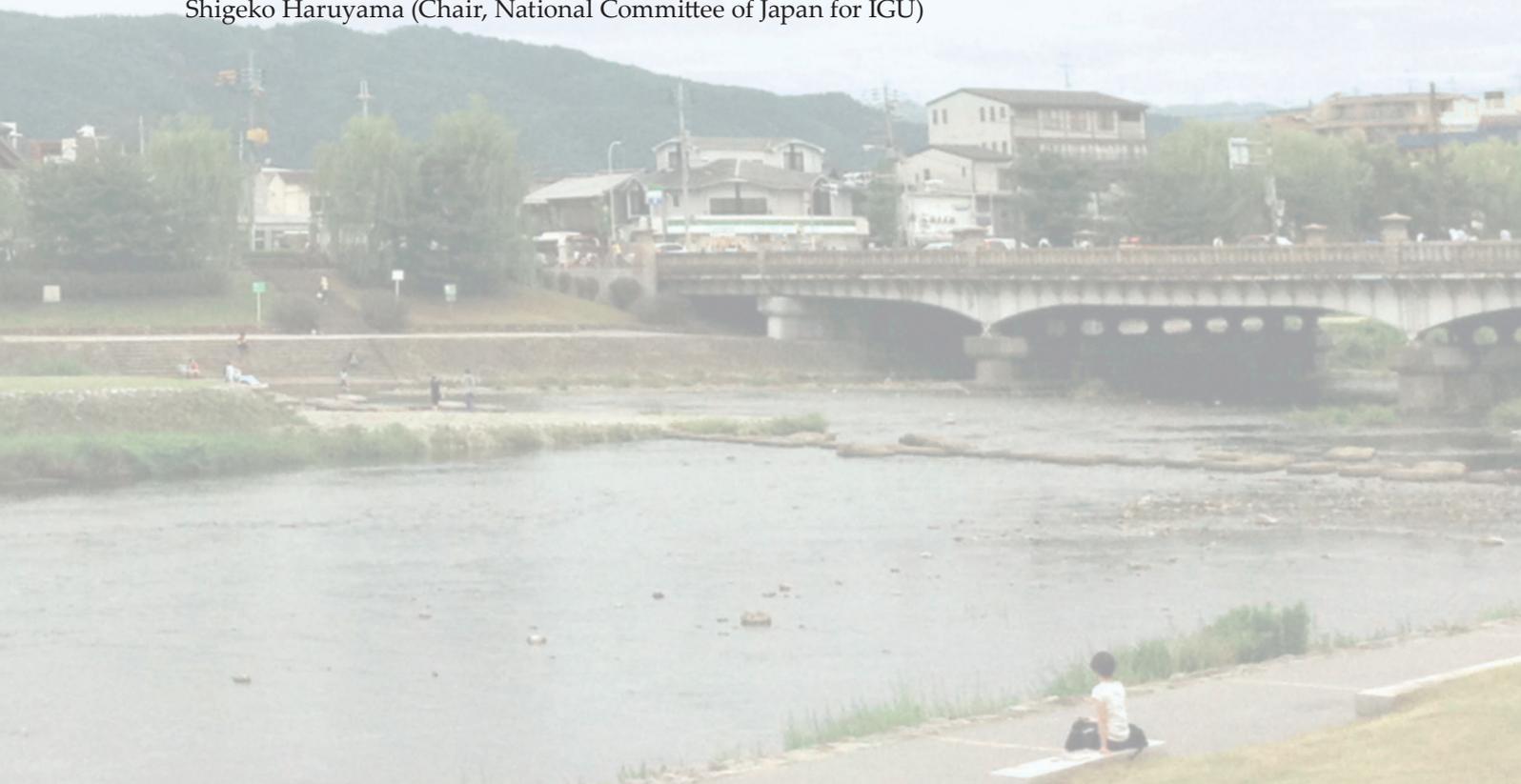
The Great East Japan Earthquake/Tsunami on March 11, 2011 and the unprecedented disaster that followed, including the nuclear disaster at Fukushima, have shaken not only Japan, but also the rest of the global community. The events have led an increasing number of people to reconsider their values, priorities, and ways of living. The Conference will offer ample opportunities to learn, think, and exchange information and ideas on these crucial issues. It will also provide an opportunity for networking.

The participants of the Conference may also enjoy visiting other parts of Japan and its vicinity by joining pre- or post-congress excursions. These are being arranged by the Organizing Committee or IGU Commissions, with the support of a number of national/regional geographical societies.

We look forward to welcoming you to Kyoto in the summer of 2013 !

Yoshitaka Ishikawa (Chair, Organizing Committee of IGU Kyoto Regional Conference 2013)

Shigeko Haruyama (Chair, National Committee of Japan for IGU)



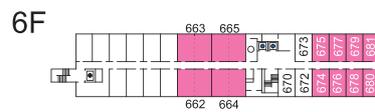
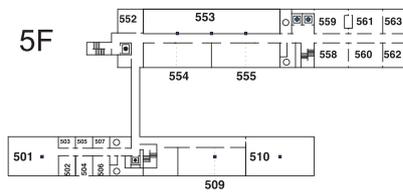
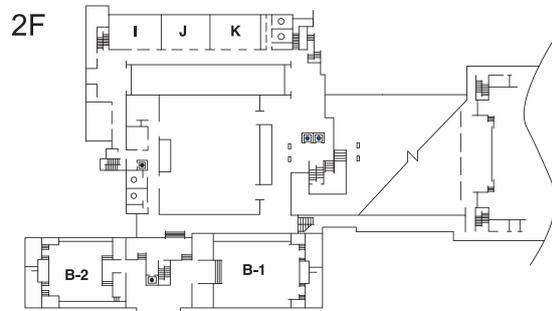
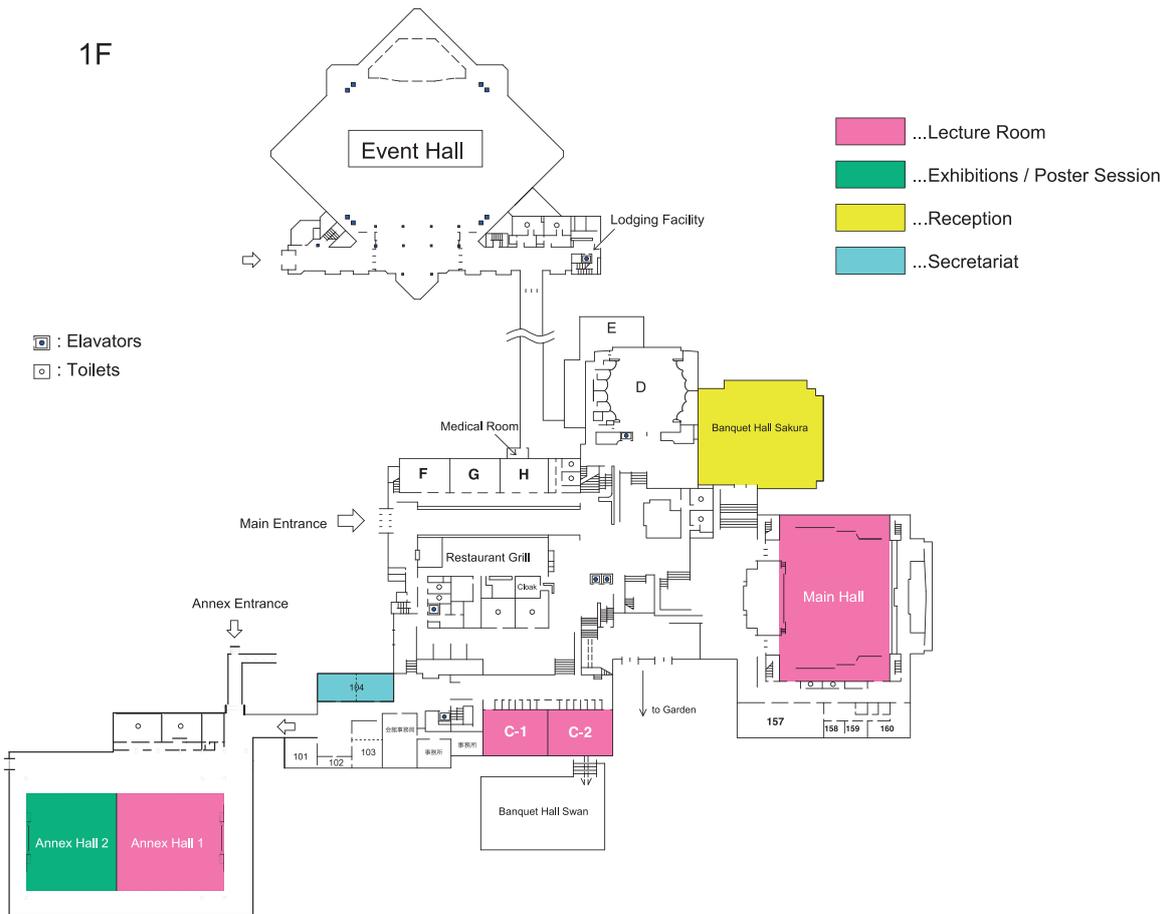
The venue for the Kyoto Regional Conference is the Kyoto International Conference Center (ICC Kyoto), located in Japan's most popular ancient city, Kyoto. Established in 1966, ICC Kyoto is the first Japanese national conference center. Since its opening, it has staged over 16,000 conferences. As is well known, ICC Kyoto hosted the 1997 United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, which gave birth to the historic Kyoto Protocol.

The buildings of ICC Kyoto reflect the duality of Kyoto in creating a unique blend of old and new. While easily accessed from downtown Kyoto by train or bus, ICC Kyoto maintains a spacious, tranquil atmosphere. It covers a site of 156,000 m² surrounded by a lush natural environment. Facilities for the conference include lecture rooms, exhibition/poster session areas, reception space, cafeteria, Internet access, and stores and services. While designed specifically for world-class conferences with its modern facilities, ICC Kyoto also serves as an inviting state-of-the-art complex. The lobby and lounge themselves are three-dimensional works of art, and the Japanese garden, featuring a traditional tea ceremony house, is open to all.

For more detailed information on this venue, please visit the center's web site:

<http://www.icckyo.or.jp/en/index.html>





Kyoto is located in western Japan, and conference participants are strongly encouraged to fly to Kansai International Airport (KIX) for convenience. KIX can be reached by direct flights not only from major Asian cities but also from a variety of cities around the world, including New York, San Francisco, Sydney, Istanbul, Frankfurt, and Paris, to name a few.

Although there is no direct transportation from KIX to Kyoto International Conference Center (ICC Kyoto), railways, limousine bus services, and shuttle taxis provide easy access from KIX to the center of Kyoto in less than 90 minutes. After arriving at KIX, all attendants should first go to Kyoto Station and then take a subway to Kokusai-Kaikan Station, which has a fully covered pedestrian path—including a wheelchair-friendly tunnel and walkways—all the way to the front doors of ICC Kyoto.

Two convenient options for getting to Kyoto Station from KIX are railway and limousine bus. The Limited Express train “Haruka” goes directly to Kyoto Station and takes approximately 75 minutes. A one-way ticket for “Haruka” costs 3,690 yen, but the “Haruka Roundtrip Discount Ticket” is available for 4,700 yen (valid for 14 days). Limousine buses from KIX provide cheaper access to Kyoto Station, and these take about 85 minutes. A one-way ticket for Limousine bus costs 2,500 yen, but a roundtrip discount ticket is available for 4,000 yen (valid for 14 days). Both run roughly every 30 minutes.

After arriving at Kyoto Station, take the Karasuma Subway Line from there to Kokusai-Kaikan Station (final stop of the line). This subway ride takes 20 minutes and costs 280 yen. ICC Kyoto is only a few minutes’ walk from the station.

If you come with a group and prefer to take a taxi from KIX to ICC Kyoto directly, Yasaka Taxi’s “Kanku Shuttle” is a convenient plan. Although it costs 3,500 yen per person, a variety of discounts (including a discount for groups with more than three people) are available. First piece of luggage is



free, but each additional piece costs 1,000 yen. Reservation is required in advance; you can make an online reservation from this URL:

<http://www.yasaka.jp/english/shuttle/index.html>

Participants arriving at Osaka (Itami) Airport should take the limousine bus service to Kyoto Station, which runs roughly every 20 minutes. It takes 55 minutes and costs 1,280 yen. For participants who are planning to fly to Narita International Airport, it takes about 90 minutes from the airport to Tokyo Station, and then additional 2 hours and 20 minutes from there to Kyoto Station by the Express Bullet Train (Shinkansen) “Nozomi.” After arriving at Kyoto Station, take the Karasuma Subway Line to Kokusai-Kaikan Station as described above. Participants arriving at Osaka (Itami) Airport in a group who prefer to take a taxi directly to Kyoto ICC should use MK Taxi’s “Skygate Shuttle.” It costs 2,300 yen per person, and a variety of discounts (including a discount for groups with more than three people) are available. First piece of luggage is free, but each additional piece costs 500 yen. Reservation is required in advance; you can make an online reservation from the URL:

<http://www.mk-group.co.jp/english/shuttle/index.html>





• Daigo-ji



• Kiyomizu-dera

Kyoto was the ancient capital for over 1000 years (794–1868). It is rare for a city to continuously serve as the national center for such a long time. Even now Kyoto is the most attractive historical and cultural city in Japan, featuring various museums and many historical buildings including temples, shrines and traditional wooden townhouses in beautiful natural settings. Kyoto is therefore one of the major tourist attractions in Japan and is visited by tourists from Japan and overseas all year around.

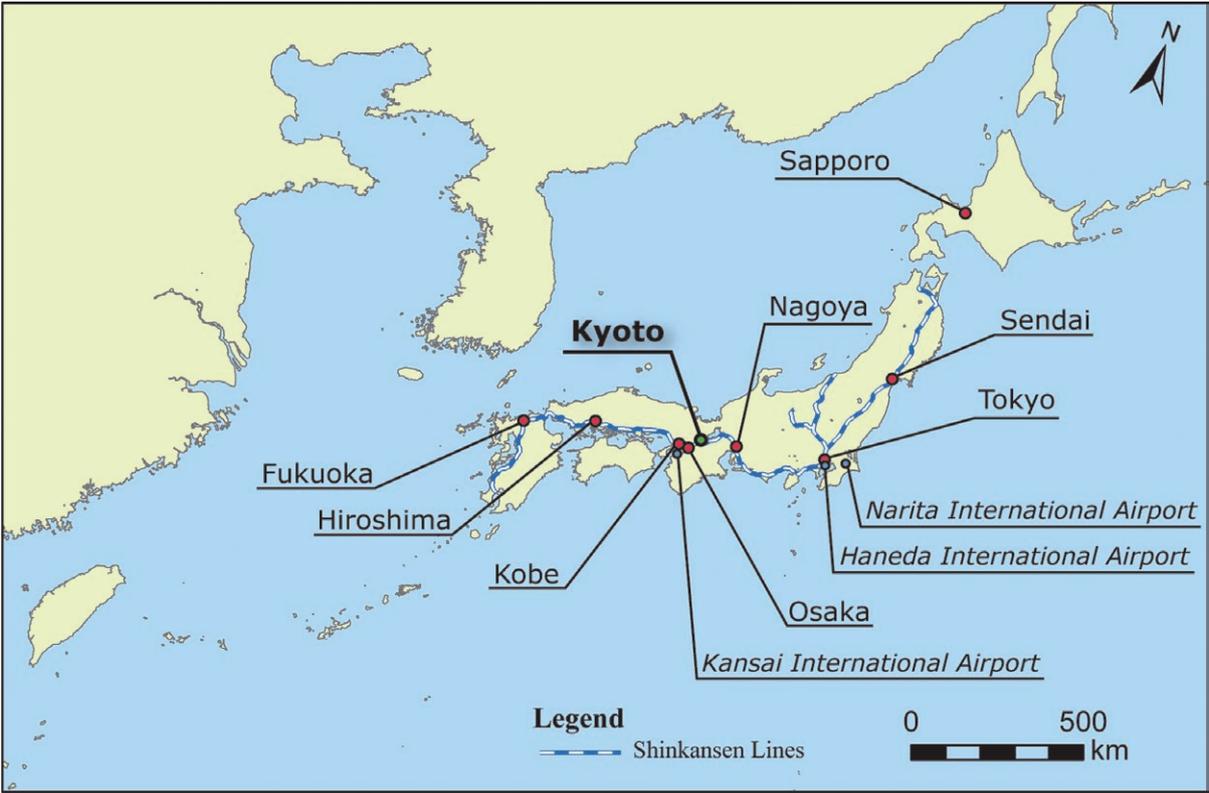
Kyoto's World Cultural Heritage sites include Nijo-Castle, as well as sixteen shrines and temples. Their historical, carefully preserved grounds give visitors invaluable opportunities to encounter the uniquely Japanese combination of natural environment, culture, history and philosophy. The city also offers a full range of traditional, artistic, and nature-related events throughout the year, such as the Gion Festival in July.

The city also has modern-spirited, lively shopping areas and provides more than 20,000 rooms in hotels, guesthouses, traditional Japanese-style inns, and other inexpensive but pleasant facilities. Kyoto is located in the heart of Japan, and participants can easily reach there from the Kansai International Airport (KIX), Japan's second largest and most comfortable international airport.

Another important feature of the city is its well established academic atmosphere: there are nearly 40 scientific institutions of higher learning in the city, including universities having influential geography departments with long and distinguished histories, such as Kyoto University and Ritsumeikan University. The Human Geographical Society, one of the most important geographical societies in Japan with approximately 1,400 members, is headquartered in Kyoto.

For more information on Kyoto, please visit the Kyoto Convention Bureau's website:

<http://hellokcb.or.jp/eng/index.html>



Conference Theme: “Traditional Wisdom and Modern Knowledge for the Earth’s Future”

会議テーマ

Over the past decades, globalization and other global changes have re-structured relations between countries and regions in the world, and have greatly altered the world geography. This change has put forward various problems of local, regional or global scales, such as economic imbalance, social fragmentation, political conflicts, and environmental crises. All of these problems threaten the future of the earth. While acknowledging the world’s diversity, geography as a discipline must endeavor to resolve these problems by devising plans for cooperation and symbiotic existence of the different peoples of the world.

An old Japanese proverb (*on-ko chi-shin*), taken from a Chinese one (*wengu zhixin*), says that only by exploring the old can one understand the new. We should first understand how traditional ideas, linked to interaction between society/culture and the environment, were formed in different countries and regions. Fortunately, throughout their long histories East Asian countries, including Japan, have fostered a rich wisdom concerning such interaction. Traditional wisdom, in harmony with the environment, remains prevalent. The Regional Conference held in Japan will examine how we can mold the earth’s future through such traditional wisdom and modern knowledge derived from modern geography.

The Kyoto International Conference Center, our proposed venue for the Kyoto Regional Conference (KRC), hosted the 1997 United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, which gave birth to the famous Kyoto Protocol. Although the Protocol focused on the prevention of global warming, KRC will aim for a comprehensive examination of various problems in the relationship between society/culture and the environment as well as comprehensive discussions about the earth’s future. Kyoto is furthermore the ancient capital of Japan, and is a metropolis with a long history and one that is richly endowed with a wide variety of fascinating sites from the standpoint of “traditional wisdom.”

We note with deep regret that the Great East Japan Earthquake/Tsunami Disaster on March 11, 2011, and the accident of Tokyo Electric Company’s Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant that followed caused very extensive damage. As of early May, 2012, there have been over 15,800 confirmed dead and more than 3,000 unaccounted for. It also displaced a significant number of people. This great tragedy will also be investigated carefully in relation to our conference theme.

As can be said for any IGU Conference, success at the Kyoto Regional Conference (KRC) depends inevitably on proactive session organization by each Commission. Although IGU Commissions and Task Forces have organized their sessions not only during the main Conferences but also before and after Conferences on their own, we hope not to disperse the places and terms for Commission sessions, but instead to maximize the number of participants in the main Conference.

The Commissions cover a broad variety of subjects, from specific regional geographies to general discussions on current directions in geographical research to the history and politics of the discipline. The Commissions and Task Forces are responsible for choosing the foci of and selecting the speakers for their sessions.

Concentrating participants at the main Conference will create valuable opportunities to promote discussions on the Conference theme of “Traditional Wisdom and Modern Knowledge for the Earth’s Future,” call upon a great amount of expertise in the IGU, and work out messages to send out to the whole world. If geographers from a variety of sub-fields get together at the main Conference, it will become possible for the 37 IGU Commissions to work together and promote collaborations between human and physical geographers.

The Cologne IGC in August 2012 will be a turning point for all IGU commissions, since their Steering Committee members will be reorganized after the congress. We sent an invitation letter from the Commissions Committee of the KRC to the 2008–12 commission chairs last year, but we should extend an invitation to the new IGU Commission chairs (2012–16) as soon as possible. We look forward to soon receiving the session titles and contents of your commission’s contributions to the KRC.

In collaboration with all IGU Commissions, we will do our best to ensure a great success in KRC. If you have any opinions and questions regarding KRC, please do not hesitate to contact Professor Shigeko Haruyama (haruyama@bio.mie-u.ac.jp), Chair, Commissions Committee of the Organizing Committee. We look forward to your feedback and meeting you in Kyoto.

Call for Papers

発表募集

The Organizing Committee of the Kyoto Regional Conference invites all interested participants to submit abstracts for the oral or poster presentations. Abstracts will be reviewed by the Scientific Program and Publication Committee. All accepted abstracts will be published as Abstracts of the Conference, which will be distributed to the participants at the conference.

Key Dates

重要期日

October 1, 2012:	Registration starts
January 15, 2013:	Deadline for abstract submission
March 31, 2013:	Notification of abstract reviewing results
April 30, 2013:	Registration deadline for inclusion of papers/posters in the program
August 4–9, 2013:	Kyoto Regional Conference

Abstract Submission

アブストラクト送付

The Organizing Committee of the Kyoto Regional Conference can accept online abstract submissions *only*. Abstracts submitted by postal mail, fax, or e-mail cannot be processed. The Organizing Committee will provide an online submission system, which covers all sessions of this conference. Detailed information and instructions will be available at <http://www.igu-kyoto2013.org/>

Registration for the Kyoto Regional Conference

Online registration for the Kyoto Regional Conference (KRC) starts on October 1, 2012, at <http://www.igu-kyoto2013.org/>

Registration Fees

Everyone planning to attend the KRC needs to register and pay in full in advance. The Organizing Committee has worked hard to keep the registration fees to a minimum. Please check the table below to find your appropriate registration fee and deadlines for booking options:

	Early	Standard	On-site	One day
	October 1, 2012 – April 10, 2013	April 11, 2013 – July 3, 2013	from July 4, 2103	
Participant	¥49,000	¥55,000	¥65,000	¥25,000
Student* ¹	¥20,000	¥30,000	¥35,000	¥15,000
Accompanying Person* ²	¥15,000	¥20,000	¥25,000	–

*¹ Student: Graduate or undergraduate student. You may be asked to provide student ID to the IGU 2013 Registration Division, Japan Convention Services, Inc. by e-mail, fax or post.

*² Accompanying Person: Spouses or other related persons of participants registered in any of the other categories. Accompanying participants may not present papers or posters. If you would like to register a family member under 12 years old as an accompanying person, please contact the IGU 2013 Registration Division, Japan Convention Services, Inc.

Registration Fee for “Participant” and “Student” Includes:

- Admission to all scientific sessions and the exhibition
- Name badges, conference kit containing official program and USB, which includes the abstracts and pdf files of papers dedicated to KRC, among other information.
- Opening Ceremony (August 5) and Closing Ceremony (August 9)
- Cocktail Party (August 5)
- Coffee Breaks

Registration Fee for “Accompanying Person” Includes

- Admission to the exhibition (NOT admission to any scientific session)
- Name Badges
- Opening Ceremony (August 5) and Closing Ceremony (August 9)
- Cocktail Party (August 5)
- Coffee Breaks

Payment Methods

All payments must be made in Japanese yen either by credit card or by bank transfer. No other type of payment is accepted.

1. Credit card

American Express, Visa, MasterCard, Diners Club and JCB are accepted.

2. Bank transfer (telegraphic transfer only)

Payment must be arranged within 10 days after registration. Please note that all transfer charges must be paid by the participant.

Cancellation Policy

Deadlines and fees for cancellation of your completed booking:

Before April 1, 2013: 80% refund of all booking fees

Before July 1, 2013: 50% refund of all booking fees

No refund will be given for cancellation made on or after July 2, 2013.

The Organizing Committee of the Kyoto Regional Conference (KRC) announces the availability of travel/accommodation grants to subsidize the costs of participation in the conference taking place August 4–9, 2013 in Kyoto, Japan. A successful applicant for this grant will receive 100,000 Japanese yen, and a total of 1,000,000 yen will be awarded competitively to ten young researchers. Winners of this award will also be exempt from paying registration fees. In selecting applicants to receive awards, preference will be given to PhD students from developing countries.

Applicants must submit the following four items:

- 1) abstract
- 2) application form
- 3) letter of recommendation, and
- 4) statement of plan in Kyoto.

Abstracts should be submitted to the Organizing Committee in due course through the online system at <http://www.igu-kyoto2013.org/>.

The application form will also be available on the website. A letter of recommendation is required from the applicant's supervisor, which will be helpful in assessing the applicant's contributions to the conference. Moreover, a statement of plan in Kyoto (one page maximum length) should include the title of the presentation the applicant intends to give, the names of IGU Commission or Task Forces if applicant is planning to present in Commission or Task Force session, and a brief statement of the benefits he/she expects to gain from his/her participation in the KRC.

The above three materials 2)–4) should be sent to

Professor Kohei Okamoto

Chair, Scientific Program and Publication Committee,

Organizing Committee of Kyoto Regional Conference

e-mail: h44540a@nucc.cc.nagoya-u.ac.jp

c/o Graduate School of Environmental Studies, Nagoya University

D2-1(510), Furo-cho, Chikusa-ku, Nagoya, 464-8601, Japan

This information should be sent by e-mail no later than January 15, 2013. Late applications cannot be considered.

Applicants will be notified of the outcome of their applications on or about March 31, 2013. Awards will be paid at the venue in Kyoto in Japanese yen after presentation at the conference. If you have any questions regarding this grant application, please direct them to Professor Okamoto (h44540a@nucc.cc.nagoya-u.ac.jp).

Depending on your nationality, you may be required to obtain a visa to enter Japan. Please apply for a visa at the Japanese Embassy or Consulate near your home.

Visa guidelines and application requirements differ widely between countries, so we strongly recommend that you contact the Japanese embassy in your home country as early as possible to inquire about the specific visa regulations applicable to your country.

If you require a letter of invitation to support your visa application, please contact the IGU 2013 Registration Division, Japan Convention Services, Inc. as the professional congress organizer for Kyoto Regional Conference. The division's e-mail address will be announced at our website (<http://www.igu-kyoto2013.org/>).

We are only able to issue a letter of invitation to participants who fulfill two criteria: you have submitted an abstract, and your paper/poster has been accepted. You must complete the registration and payment by April 30.

Please note the following conditions:

1. Since the letter of invitation will be sent by postal mail, delays are possible. The conference organizers cannot be held responsible for this.
2. The letter of invitation does not imply financial support of any kind.

The Organizing Committee of the Kyoto Regional Conference has organized four sessions: plenary session, Commission/Task Force session, general session and joint session.

1) Plenary sessions (Plenary lectures)

The first session category is plenary session. Since the speakers of this session have already been fixed as shown below, no other submissions to this session can be accepted.

Because the conference theme of the IGU's Kyoto Regional Conference is "Traditional Wisdom and Modern Knowledge for the Earth's Future," the Organizing Committee is holding plenary sessions related to this theme. As the theme is somewhat broad, the organizing committee has come up with three subthemes: "traditional wisdom," "the environment" and "the Great East Japan Earthquake." Each of the three scheduled sessions will have three keynote speeches for each subtheme. These sessions will be held at the Kyoto International Conference Center from August 6 to 8, 2013.

P-1 Traditional Wisdom

Jianxiong Ge (Fudan University, China): Traditional Wisdom in Urban Development in Ancient China

Jean-Robert Pitte (The Geographical Society, France): Clash of Civilizations is not a Fatality: Viewpoint of Geography

Minoru Senda (Nara Prefectural Library and Information Center, Japan): Were There the Japanese Language Originally Equivalents to the Words "Environment" and "Nature"?

P-2 The Environment

Kazunobu Ikeya (National Museum of Ethnology, Japan): Nature and Society in Protected Areas: Can Development, Conservation, and Local Livelihoods Co-exist?

Sarah Radcliffe (University of Cambridge, UK): Plural Knowledges and Modernity: Social Difference and Geographical Explanations

Paul Robbins (The University of Arizona, USA): No Going Back: The Political Implications of Ecological Novelty

P-3 The Great East Japan Earthquake

Kenji Satake (The University of Tokyo, Japan): The 2011 Tohoku Disaster: Unexpected Earthquake and Forgotten Tsunami

Kazuki Nakabayashi (Meiji University, Japan): National Reconstruction Ground Design as Dual Recovery Strategy of Post-Disaster and Pre-Disaster Recoveries in Japan

Mikiko Ishikawa (The University of Tokyo, Japan): The Ecological Infra-structure as a Basis of the Reconstruction Plan for the Great East Japan Earthquake

The Organizing Committee is planning to issue an English-language book published by Springer, including full papers of these nine plenary lectures, until the beginning of the Kyoto Regional Conference. Interested participants will be able to reserve one copy of this book through our website (<http://www.igu-kyoto2013.org/>) and pick it up at the reception. The book's price will also be announced on the website.

2) Commission/Task Force Sessions

The second category includes the sessions organized by IGU Commissions, Task Forces and Special Committee, whose names in the current term (2008–12) are listed below. Interested participants should submit abstracts for oral/poster presentation to the website of the Organizing Committee of the Kyoto Regional Conference (<http://www.igu-kyoto2013.org/>).

- C08.01 Applied Geography
- C08.02 Arid Lands, Humankind, and Environment
- C08.03 Biogeography and Biodiversity
- C08.04 Climatology
- C08.05 Coastal Systems
- C08.06 Cold Region Environments
- C08.07 Cultural Approach in Geography
- C08.08 Dynamics of Economic Spaces
- C08.09 Environment Evolution
- C08.10 Gender and Geography
- C08.11 Geographical Education
- C08.12 Geographical Information Science
- C08.13 Geography of Governance
- C08.14 Geography of the Global Information Society
- C08.15 Geography of Tourism, Leisure, and Global Change
- C08.16 Geomorphic Challenges for the 21st Century
- C08.17 Global Change and Human Mobility
- C08.18 Hazard and Risk
- C08.19 Health and Environment
- C08.20 History of Geography
- C08.21 Indigenous Knowledges and Peoples' Rights
- C08.22 Islands
- C08.23 Karst
- C08.24 Land Degradation and Desertification
- C08.25 Land Use and Land Cover Change

C08.26 Local Development
C08.27 Marginalization, Globalization, and Regional and Local Responses
C08.28 Modeling Geographical Systems
C08.29 Mountain Response to Global Change
C08.30 Political Geography
C08.31 Population Geography
C08.32 Sustainability of Rural Systems
C08.33 Urban Geography: Emerging Urban Transformations
C08.34 Water Sustainability
C08.35 Transport and Geography
C08.36 Landscape and Landscape Analysis
C08.37 Geoparks
T08.02 Megacities
T08.03 Olympiad
Mediterranean Renaissance Program

3) General Sessions

The third category is general session. The Kyoto Regional Conference welcomes the presentations on various themes not limited to those listed in the Commission/Task Force Session. Interested participants should submit abstracts for oral/poster presentation to the website of the Organizing Committee of the Kyoto Regional Conference (<http://www.igu-kyoto2013.org/>).

4) Joint Sessions

The fourth category is joint session, which will be organized by Japan's major geographical societies or research programs whose head investigators are Japanese geographers. This session is rather peculiar to the Kyoto Regional Conference, but the Organizing Committee has planned it as a way to encourage as many participants as possible from all over Japan to join the conference.

Due to the above nature of this session, Japanese speakers will mainly be selected by organizers of the society or research programs under consideration. The details of the joint sessions will be announced on our website (<http://www.igu-kyoto2013.org/>) by October 1, 2012. The joint sessions as well as other sessions are open to all interested participants. Please submit your abstract for the joint sessions through the website.

Gala Dinner

ガラ・ディナー

The Organizing Committee invites you to a Gala Dinner, which will be held as follows.

Venue: Ganko Takasegawa Nijoen

484-6, Higashi Namasu-cho, Nijo-kudaru, Kiyamachi-dori, Nakagyo-ku,
Kyoto 604-0922, Japan

Tel : +81-75-223-3456

Website: <http://www.gankofood.co.jp/>

Date: Wednesday, August 7, 2013

Time: 18:30–20:30 (tentative)

Cuisine: Japanese

Style: Table and chair style

Number of participants: 120 persons

Ganko Takasegawa Nijoen, a traditional Japanese restaurant, is located in the heart of Kyoto next to the Takasegawa River, in the grounds of a historical Japanese garden. The meal will consist of a selection of Japanese delicacies (including Sushi, Sashimi and Tempura) of a quality seldom available outside of Japan, complemented by a range of local beverages (both alcoholic and non-alcoholic). Entertainment will be provided by Maiko and Geisha, which should make for a memorable evening for both local and international participants alike.

Please apply and make payment through the conference's online system on the website (<http://www.igu-kyoto2013.org/>) if you would like to participate in the Gala Dinner. Since the number of seats is limited, availability is first come first served. You cannot buy a Gala Dinner seat separately for a person accompanying you without registering that person online.

Exhibition

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We will arrange 20 exhibition booths for organizations and businesses which have some involvement in the fields of geography. The exhibition hall will be Annex Hall 2, in the main conference building of ICC Kyoto. Applications for exhibition booths may be submitted from October 1, 2012 through January 15, 2013. Booking forms will be available on our website (<http://www.igu-kyoto2013.org/>).

If you plan to exhibit or have any questions about the exhibition, please contact Japan Convention Services, Inc., as the professional congress organizer for the KRC (igu2013-jcs@convention.co.jp).

During and after the Conference, a wide selection of excursions will be offered by the Field Trips Committee. We provide four types of field excursions: 1) One-day field trips (OD), 2) Half-day field trips (HD), 3) Post-congress domestic field trips (PD), and 4) Post-congress international field trips (PI) to South Korea/Taiwan/Russia. Among the Post-congress domestic field trips (PD), we have two courses (PD-6 and PD-7) to the areas affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake/Tsunami of March 11, 2011.

At this stage, all of the courses and dates are still tentative; we will provide the detailed information including participation fees on the website (<http://www.igu-kyoto2013.org/>) by the end of September 2012. Information on how many persons have applied for each field trip will also be announced regularly on this website from October 2012.

Field trip participants should note some requirements. All of the participants must have personally purchased travel insurance in advance. Participants going on the post-congress international field trips must obtain their own visas in advance before the trips. Furthermore, because all of the participants in the PI trips must gather at appointed places in South Korea/Taiwan/Russia, they need to make their own travel arrangements from Kyoto to the overseas meeting site. Moreover, e-mail to the organizers of each course must be written in English.

1) One-day field trips during the program

OD-1 Kyoto Suburbs

Date: August 7 (Wed)

Topics: History and culture in Kyoto suburbs

Destinations: Uji City, tea garden, reclamation of Ogura Pond, Okazaki area in Kyoto City, The Kyoto University Museum

Number of participants: 20 – 40

Organizer: Kazuhiro Uesugi (Kyoto Prefectural University)

E-mail: kuesugi@kpu.ac.jp



OD-2 Nara, Tenri and Asuka Historical Sites

Date: August 8 (Thu)

Topics: Time travel through art appreciation

Destinations: Nara Park, Tenri, Asuka

Number of participants: 50

Organizer: Hisashi Komatsubara (Nara Prefectural University)

E-mail: hisashik@narapu.ac.jp

OD-3 Water Environments on the South Side of Lake Biwa

Date: August 8 (Thu)

Topics: Aquatic environment of Lake Biwa's coastal areas

Destinations: Yabase-kihanto Island, Lake Biwa Museum, Hachiman-bori Canal, boating on the wetlands with Japanese traditional boats, the trace of Kusatsu River

Number of participants: 20 – 40

Organizer: Takanori Matsuda (Shiga University)

E-mail: matsudat@edu.shiga-u.ac.jp

2) Half-day field trips during the program

HD-1 Northern Part of Kyoto City (Rakuhoku)

Date: August 6 (Tue) morning

Topics: Eco-system in the northern part of Kyoto City and the Research Institute for Humanity and Nature

Destinations: Midorogaike Pond, Kamigamo Shrine, Research Institute for Humanity and Nature

Number of participants: 20 – 30

Organizer: Haruo Noma (Kansai University)

E-mail: noma@kansai-u.ac.jp

HD-2 Eastern Part of Kyoto Basin

Date: August 7 (Wed) afternoon

Topics: Active faults and historical heritage in Kyoto Basin

Destinations: The Kyoto University Museum, Shisendo, Hanaore Fault, Lake Biwa Canal, Mt. Yoshida, Kyoto University Yoshida Campus

Number of participants: up to 20

Organizer: Hiroyuki Tsutsumi (Kyoto University)

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HD-3 Disaster Prevention Research Institute, Kyoto University

Date: August 9 (Fri) afternoon

Topics: An influential center in Japan for research and education of disaster prevention science

Destinations: Disaster Prevention Research Institute Kyoto University (orientation, landslide-

simulating facility, earthquake monitoring system, and facility for earthquake-proof design)

Number of participants: about 20

Organizer: Masahiro Chigira (Kyoto University)

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3) Post-congress domestic field trips

PD-1 Kobe and Osaka

Date: August 10 (Sat) – August 11 (Sun)

Topics: Several aspects of the Hanshin Urban Area

Destinations: Senri New Town, The Disaster Reduction and Human Renovation Institution, Nankin-machi, Osaka Castle, the southern part of Osaka City

Number of participants: 20 – 40

Organizer: Kenji Tsutsumi (Osaka University)

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PD-2 Kanto Plain and Tokyo

Date: August 10 (Sat) – August 13 (Tue)

Topics: 1) The World City Tokyo and The Eco-city Yedo: water and the culture of living, 2) Water supply in Musashino Upland, 3) Urbanization in Tama Hills, 4) Volcanic soil of Kanto Plain and its source, 5) Active faults and earthquake hazards

Destinations: Tokyo CBD, Musashino and Tama suburban areas, Hakone volcano

Number of participants: 20 – 40

Organizer: Sumiko Kubo (Waseda University)

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PD-3 Kurashiki, Hiroshima and Fukuoka

Date: August 10 (Sat) – August 13 (Tue)

Topics: Visiting world-famous tourism resources in western Japan

Destinations: Mizushima Industrial Area, Kurashiki Aesthetic Area, Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park, Miyajima, Akiyoshidai karst topography, Dazaifu, Kyushu National Museum

Number of participants: 20 – 40

Organizer: Kazuo Tomozawa (Hiroshima University)

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★ This course can be connected to PI-2 (Taiwan).



PD-4 Mount Koya

Date: August 10 (Sat) – August 11 (Sun)

Topics: The World Heritage Site of Koyasan: 1200 years of a Buddhist temple complex

Destinations: Kongobuji Temple, Okunoin, Reihokan Museum, staying at shukubo (temple lodging)

Number of participants: 20 – 40

Organizer: Toshiyuki Shimazu (Wakayama University)

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PD-5 Central Japan

Date: August 10 (Sat) – August 13 (Tue)

Topics: Aichi Prefecture as a manufacturing stronghold

Destinations: Nagoya City, Seto City, Toyota City (Toyota car plant etc.)

Number of participants: 20 – 40

Organizer: Takatsugu Yamamoto (Chubu University)

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PD-6 Reconstruction of Devastated Area by the Great Earthquake 1

Date: August 10 (Sat) – August 13 (Tue)

Topics: The earthquake disaster and reconstruction: tsunami and large-scale landslides

Destinations: Sendai Bay, Matsushima Bay, Sanriku Coast, Aratozawa landslide

Number of participants: 20 – 40

Organizer: Yoshiyuki Murayama (Yamagata University)

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PD-7 Reconstruction of Devastated Area by the Great Earthquake 2

Date: August 10 (Sat) – August 13 (Tue)

Topics: The earthquake disaster and reconstruction: surface rupture, tourism and local brands

Destinations: Iwaki City, Iwaki-Yumoto area, Onahama area, Tono area

Number of participants: 20 – 40

Organizer: Kiyotaka Sakaida (Tohoku University)

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4) Post-congress international field trips

PI-1 South Korea

Date: August 10 (Sat) – August 13 (Tue)

Topics: Legacy of Cold War and uncontaminated nature in Korea

Destinations: Seoul, Imjin River, DMZ, and East Coast of Korea

(1st day) meeting at the hotel in Seoul and night tour of Seoul downtown [overnight in Seoul]

(2nd day) Estuary Riverbed, floodplain and Wetland of Han River, landscape of North Korea, Imjin River landforms and Horugoru Castle of Goguryeo Dynasty (1,500 years ago), Cheriwon Lava Plateau landforms, Yeoncheon Lava-dammed Pallerlake, Daebo Granite landforms, Granite erosion landforms, Soyang River Dam and Lake in Chuncheon basin [overnight in Chuncheon City]

(3rd day) Hae-an Basin landforms (granite differential erosion), DMZ landscape, coastal landforms (beach, lagoon), coastal erosion in Hwajin port of the east coast [overnight in Yangyang City]

(4th day) Daegwangryeong Heights landforms and landscape, Breakup at the Seoul railroad station in the evening

Number of participants: 20 – 40

Organizer: Professor Min-Boo Lee (Korea National University of Education)

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PI-2 Taiwan

Date: August 13 (Tue) – August 16 (Fri)

Topics: Travelling around the eastern part of Taiwan: Indigenous people, marginal areas and dynamic geomorphic environments

Destinations: (1st day) Arrival at Taiwan and a city tour in Taipei [overnight in Taipei City]
(2nd day) Travel to Taroko National Park [overnight in Hualien City]
(3rd day) Travel along Taiwan's eastern coast and visit to Longitudinal Valley of Eastern Taiwan [overnight in Taitung City]
(4th day) Back to Taipei City

Number of participants: 20 – 40

Organizer: Professor Jiun-Chuan Lin (National Taiwan University)

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★ The course can be connected from PD-3 (Kurashiki, Hiroshima and Fukuoka).

PI-3 Russia

Date: August 10 (Sat) – August 13 (Tue)

Topics: Past and Present in Far Eastern Russia: between development and conservation

Destinations: (1st day) Russkii Island in the Peter the Great Bay (“Voroshilovskaya battery”, Far Eastern Federal University, Aquarium) [overnight in Vladivostok]
(2nd day) “Kedrovaya Pad” – Kondratenovka Village [overnight in Tayozhnaya Polyana]
(3rd day) mountain taiga (FEB RAS) – Ussuriisk – Spassk-Dalnyi [overnight in Spassk-Dalnyi]
(4th day) Khankaiski Biosphere Reserve (Khanka Lake) – Center of Amur Tiger Study (Gaivoron Village) – Vladivostok

Number of participants: 7 – 25

Organizer: Koichi Kimoto (Hiroshima Jogakuin University)

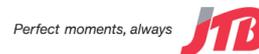
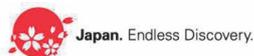
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Nagomikan(lunch) *Enjoy a Japanese western style lunch

Heian Shrine

Sanju-Sangendo Hall

A renowned long wooden hall housing all of 1,001 statues of Kannon that date back to the 13th century.

Kiyomizu Temple *World Heritage Sites

Departure Jan.5 - Dec.29 (Expect Mar.11)

Tour Fare 11,600(Adult) / 9,500yen(Child 6-11yrs)

Time Schedule 8:45 between 18:30

Meals 1 Lunch included



Kyoto & Nara 1 Day (Tour No.N110)

■ Tour Highlights

Nijo Castle *World Heritage Sites

Golden Pavilion *World Heritage Sites

Kyoto Imperial Palace

Nagomikan(lunch) *Enjoy a Japanese western style lunch

Todayji Temple

Deer Park

Kasuga Shrine

Departure Jan.5 - Feb.29:tue.,Thu.,Sat. Mar.1-Dec.29:Daily

Tour Fare 12,600(Adult) / 10,300yen(Child 6-11yrs)

Time Schedule 8:45 -between 19:30

Meals 1 Lunch included

Nara Afternoon (Tour No.N310)

[Tour Highlights]

Todayji Temple *World Heritage Sites

Great Buddha in the world's largest wooden building.A wonder of religious architecture.

Deer Park

More than 1,000 tame deer roam freely in the Verdant 1,250 acres peaceful park. If you wish to feed the deer,they will gladly eat from your hand.

Kasuga Shrine *World Heritage Sites

The most famous and beautiful Shinto shrine in Nara, it features some 3,000 antique stone and bronze lanterns.

Departure Jan.5 - Feb.29:tue.,Thu.,Sat./Mar.1-Dec.29:Daily

Tour Fare 6,600(Adult) / 5,600yen (Child 6-11 yrs)

Time Schedule 13:15 -between 19:30

Meals No meal included

Kyoto Afternoon (Tour No.N280)

[Tour Highlights]

Heian Shrine

Graceful old court life is reflected in the brightly colored shrine with its vermilion pillars and green roof, and in its enchanting inner gardens and ponds.

Sanju-Sangendo Hall

A renowned long wooden hall housing all of 1,001 statues of Kannon that date back to the 13th century.

Kiyomizu Temple

A quaint old lane lined with pottery shops leads to the temple. Enjoy a sweeping view of the entire city from its lofty terrace.

Departure Jan.5 - Dec.29 (Expect Mar.11)

Tour Fare 5,600(Adult) / 4,600yen (Child 6-11 yrs)

Time Schedule 13:15 -between 18:30

Meals No meal included



Kyoto Maiko Dinner (Tour No.N400)

[Tour Highlights]

EXOTIC DANCES OF A MAIKO GIRL

Enjoy the exotic dances of a Maiko girl and delicious Tempura supper at celebrated famous Temple.



Departure Wed. & Fri. (Apr.13 - Nov.2)

Tour Fare 10,500yen (Adult/Child Same Price)

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Minimum participants required : 2 people.

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[Tour Highlights]

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Departure Tue.Thu. & Sat. (Mar.1 - Nov.29)

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Time Schedule 17:00 -between 21:30

Meals 1 supper included

Minimum participants required : 2 people.

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International Geography Olympiad 2013

国際地理オリンピック2013

It is a great privilege to host the 10th Anniversary of the International Geography Olympiad (iGeo) in Kyoto, Japan, in 2013. The iGeo is a competition that gathers the best geography high school students from the various national Geography Olympiads to compete in tests of their geographical knowledge and comprehension skills. The competition includes three parts: a written response test, a multimedia test, and a fieldwork test.

The competition will be held from July 31 to August 5, 2013. Delegates need to arrive in Japan by July 30. In the summer, the climate in Kyoto is hot and humid, so participants need to look after their own health. However, everyone will be able to enjoy Kyoto, an ancient city with beautiful nature and culture, which includes a typical basin-like climate. In addition, participants are given the opportunity to learn about and enjoy the cityscapes, landscapes, and cultures of a world famous metropolis with over 1200 years' history.

We hope many participants will join the competition from many countries. Registration will start on October 1, 2012.

Outline of iGeo 2013 Kyoto

Date: July 30 (Tue) – August 5 (Mon), 2013

Program schedule (tentative):

July 30 (Tue) Arrival

July 31 (Wed) Opening, Written response test

August 1 (Thu) Fieldwork test, Poster presentation (or Poster session)

August 2 (Fri) Fieldwork test, Multimedia test, Cultural festival I

August 3 (Sat) Excursion, Cultural festival II

August 4 (Sun) Free time, Presentation of Awards, Farewell dinner

August 5 (Mon) Awarding Ceremony at Kyoto Regional Conference, Departure

Excursion: Kyoto and Nara

Registration Fee: 50,000 Japanese Yen per person (including accommodation, food and excursion fee during the competition from July 30 to August 5)

300,000 JPY per team with 4 students and 2 leaders

Detailed information on venue, accommodation and registration will be announced on the website (<http://www.igu-kyoto2013.org/>) by the end of September 2012.

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