INFORMATION NOTE FOR PARTICIPANTS
Global Forum on Gender Statistics
(Tokyo, Japan, 14 - 16 November 2018)

This information note has been formulated to assist you in preparing for your trip to Tokyo, Japan to participate in the 7th Global Forum on Gender Statistics.

Meeting venue
Asakusa View Hotel
Room HISHO, 4th floor

3-17-1 Nishiasakusa, Taito-ku, Tokyo, Japan
Phone: +81-3-3847-1111
Fax: +81-3-3842-2117
Website: https://www.viewhotels.co.jp/asakusa/english/

Asakusa View Hotel is located close to Senso-ji Temple. The easiest way to arrive at the venue is by walking. It is approximately 10 minutes, 850m from the Asakusa Station (Toei-Asakusa Line / Tokyo Metro Ginza Line) and 5 minutes from Senso-ji Temple.
https://www.viewhotels.co.jp/asakusa/english/access/

Please be informed that there will not be printing facilities at the venue.

Visas
Regarding visa requirements and travel documents accepted by Japan, please consult your Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Japanese Embassy or Consulate in your country. You can also check the link of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan. https://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/

Transportation
There are two international airports in and around Tokyo, Narita International Airport (NRT) and Haneda Airport (HND).
NRT: https://www.narita-airport.jp/en/
HND: https://www.haneda-airport.jp/inter/en/
From NRT to Asakusa station
There are three main ways to get to Asakusa area.
(1) By Keisei Access Express/Skyliner
50-70 minutes, 1290 JPY/2640 JPY
Direct limited express trains via the Access Express connect Narita Airport and Asakusa about every 40 minutes except in the late afternoons and evenings. The one-way journey takes 50 minutes and costs 1290 JPY.
Take the Keisei Skyliner from Narita Airport to Ueno Station (45 minutes, 2470 JPY) and transfer to the Tokyo Metro Ginza Line to get to Asakusa Station (5 minutes, 170 JPY). Connections are available every 20-40 minutes.

(2) By Airport Limousine
120 – 140 minutes, 2800 JPY
Take the Airport Limousine from Narita Airport, boarding from terminals 1, 2 and 3. No in advance reservations are accepted for journeys departing from Narita Airport. Obtain your ticket from the Limousine Bus Ticket counters located in each terminal. Get off at the bus stop named "Asakusa View Hotel".
https://www.limousinebus.co.jp/en/areas/bus_stop/nrt/kinshicho_toyocho/dep/244/

(3) By JR Narita Express
85 minutes, around 3200 JPY, 2 connections per hour
Take the JR Narita Express from Narita Airport to Tokyo Station (about 60 minutes) and transfer to the JR Yamanote or Keihin-Tohoku Line to get to Kanda Station (2 minutes). From Kanda, take the Tokyo Metro Ginza Line to Asakusa (10 minutes).

From HND to Asakusa station
There are three main ways to get to Asakusa area.
(1) By Keikyu Line
35 minutes, 620 JPY to Asakusa station
Take the Keikyu Line from Haneda Airport to Asakusa Station. If you take a train bound for Sengakuji, transfer to the Toei-Asakusa Line to get to Asakusa Station using the same platform in Sengakuji station.

(2) By Tokyo Monorail and Toei-Asakusa Line
30 minutes, 710 JPY to Asakusa station
Take the Tokyo Monorail from Haneda Airport to Hamamatsu-cho (15 minutes, 490 JPY) and transfer to the Toei-Asakusa Line to get to Asakusa Station (11 minutes, 220 JPY).
https://www.tokyo-monorail.co.jp/english/
(3) By Airport Limousine

80 minutes, 930 JPY

Take the Airport Limousine from Haneda Airport International Terminal. No in advance reservations are accepted for journeys departing from Haneda Airport. Obtain your ticket from the Limousine Bus Ticket counters located in each terminal. Get off at the bus stop named "Asakusa View Hotel".

https://www.limousinebus.co.jp/en/areas/bus_stop/hnd/asakusa_kinshicho/dep/244/1

Accommodation

Participants are requested to make their own hotel reservations. We recommend you complete your booking as early as possible because November is the peak travel season in Tokyo.

You will find accommodation alternatives on any booking site. For example, the following hotels are located near the meeting venue.

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<td>Hotel Keihan Asakusa</td>
<td>1 minute, 60 m by walking</td>
<td>MAIL: <a href="mailto:info-asakusa@hotelkeihan.co.jp">info-asakusa@hotelkeihan.co.jp</a> TEL: +81-3-5830-0321</td>
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<td>Richmond Hotel Premier Asakusa International</td>
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<td>Hotel WBF Tokyo Asakusa</td>
<td>5 minutes, 400 m by walking</td>
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<td>Via Inn Asakusa</td>
<td>9 minutes, 700 m by walking</td>
<td>TEL: +81-3-6895-5489</td>
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<td>THE GATE HOTEL KAMINARIMON by HULIC</td>
<td>9 minutes, 750 m by walking</td>
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<td>Hotel Hokke Club Asakusa</td>
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For your convenience, we will be holding a total of 30 single rooms at the following three hotels for the duration of the meeting. We serve as an intermediary; send an e-mail to gender_hotel@nittsu.co.jp and indicate your preference for location, number of nights (from when to when) as well as name, contact number and e-mail address of the lodger.

Once the reservation is completed, we will let you know by e-mail. The accommodation contract is between the lodger and the hotel. Thus, please contact the hotel directly if you need to cancel or change the reservation after completion.

This special reservation is provided in order of arrival (on a first-come, first-served basis). The application will be closed as soon as the number of participants reaches the limit. We will inform you on the conference website when it is closed.

**Special reservation hotels**

1. **Richmond Hotel Premier Asakusa International**
   - 10 Single rooms (non-smoking)
   - Room rate: 73,500 JPY (Total amount of 5 nights from 12 Nov. to 16 Nov.)
   - *Daily rate is different depending on the day: about 14,700 JPY.*
   - Link: [https://premierasakusa.richmondhotel.jp/](https://premierasakusa.richmondhotel.jp/)

2. **Richmond Hotel Asakusa**
   - 10 Single rooms (non-smoking)
   - Room rate: 58,200 JPY (Total amount of 5 nights from 12 Nov. to 16 Nov.)
   - *Daily rate is different depending on the day: about 11,500 JPY.*
   - Link: [https://richmondhotelasakusa.richmondhotel.jp/](https://richmondhotelasakusa.richmondhotel.jp/)

3. **Hotel WBF Tokyo Asakusa**
   - 10 Single rooms (non-smoking)
   - Room rate: 51,900 JPY (Total amount of 5 nights from 12 Nov. to 16 Nov.)
   - *Daily rate is different depending on the day: about 10,380 JPY.*

All rates include daily breakfast, Wi-Fi internet in room, service-charge and tax.

**Useful information**

(1) **Weather in Tokyo**

In November, the weather in Tokyo is mild and slightly cool and there is relatively low-rainfall. It is one of the best seasons to visit the city. Mean daily temperature in November is about 12°C, mean maximum about 16°C and mean minimum about 8°C. Please also check one-week forecasts of Tokyo via the following URL. [https://www.jma.go.jp/en/week/319.html](https://www.jma.go.jp/en/week/319.html)
(2) Currency: JPY (Japanese Yen)
Exchange rates as of July 2018:
1 EUR - around 120 to 130 JPY
1 USD - around 110 to 120 JPY
Money can be exchanged at currency exchange counters located mainly at banks, post offices, hotels and airports.

(3) Gratuities (Tipping)
Tipping is not customary in Japan. In tourist hotels, service charge is added to the bill.

(4) Electricity
Voltage: 100 volts, A.C.
Frequencies: 50 Hz in eastern Japan. *FYI, 60 Hz in western Japan.
Plug Type: Plug Type A (two-flat-pin plug)

(5) More information on tourism
Asakusa, Taito-ku: http://authentic-tokyo.com/
Japan: https://www.japan.travel/en/

(6) Time zone
Japan Standard Time (JST), which is 9 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT), is the standard time zone observed in Tokyo, Japan.

Contact information
For further information, please contact sokeli@un.org from UNSD or gender2018@soumu.go.jp from Statistics Bureau of Japan.