

SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT

**The Seventh Asia-Pacific Conference
on
Multilateral Cooperation
in
Space Technology And Applications
(7th APC – MCSTA)**

August 22-26, 2003

Bangkok, Thailand

Hosted by Ministry of Information and Communication Technology

Objectives

Ministry of Information and Communication Technology (MICT) has the honour to hold the Seventh Asia - Pacific Conference on Multilateral Cooperation in Space Technology and Applications (APC-MCSTA) in Bangkok, Thailand during August 22-26, 2003. based on the Recommendation of the 6th APC- MCSTA which hold in Beijing, China in September, 2001.

Aim of the Conference

Aim of the Conference is part of a series of meeting being held to promote multilateral cooperation among the countries of the Asia - Pacific region in space technology, science and applications to exchange idea, discuss the means, approaches the other relevant issues for further promoting multilateral cooperation in the field of space technology and Applications. The theme of the Conference is "Space Technology in the service of Humankind"

Date and Venue

The Conference will be held from Friday, August 22 to Tuesday, August 26, 2003 with the Pre-Conference Meeting of various Committees/ Working Groups being held on Thursday, August 21, 2003.

Venue Amari Watergate Hotel
 847 Petchburi Road, Pratunam, Rajthevi, Bangkok 10400,
 Thailand
 Tel. (66) 2-653 9000 Fax. (66) 2-653 9045
 E-mail: Sale@Watergate.Amari.com
 Website: <http://www.amari.com>

Conference Language

English will be the working language at the Conference.

Main Topics

1. Special Topic of "SMMS" on its technical description and development
2. Remote Sensing Technology and Application/GIS
3. Information and Communication Technologies
4. Navigation and Positioning
5. Disaster Management
6. Tele-Education / Tele-Medicine

Session Facilities

Overhead projectors for transparent sheets and Powerpoint projectors will be available in the session rooms. The electricity in Thailand is supplied at 220V, 50Hz AC.

Proceedings and Preprints

Proceedings of the Conference will be published by MICT before the Conference so that participants can get them during the registration.

Deadline for abstract is July 15, 2003.

The abstract should be written in English of approximately 1,000 words which contain :

- Title of the paper
- Authors' full names and affiliations
- Address, phone and fax number and e-mail address
- Topics No. and abstract contents

The authors will be informed about the acceptance of their papers or otherwise by August 1, 2003

Full papers in English (Laser Printed) and soft disk should be submitted in reproducible form and typed according to the format instructions provided by MICT. before August 15, 2003. In the meantime, please send your full paper by e-mail attachment (in MS Word) before the deadline with your topic number in your e-mail subject. MICT's e-mail address is space@mict.go.th. After this deadline, the authors are requested to bring 50 copies of your own papers to the Conference for distribution.

Technical Visit

A technical visit will be organized on August 23, 2003. to visit Thaicom Teleport and DTH Center, Lad Loom Keaw District. In the afternoon, sightseeing tour (Bangsai Arts and Crafts Center and the Famous Historic Park and the World Heritage registered by UNESCO, Ayutthaya)

Participants

Agencies, institutions, government entities, companies and experts from the countries in the Asia-Pacific region as well as extra-regional countries and international/ regional organizations concerned with space technology, science and application activities are expected to participate in the Conference.

Travel Arrangements

Participants are requested to have a valid passport and appropriate entry visa for Thailand. They are also advised to ensure that their return flight reservation is confirmed.

Weather

August in Bangkok is sunny and fine. The average daily temperature is 28-30 °C.

Currency

All hotels can cash traveler's cheque into Thai Money (Baht) with the exchange rate around 1 USD = 39 Baht or you can pay in Credit Card.

Airport Tax

International flights leaving Bangkok request 500 Baht per person.

Arrival in Bangkok

Taxi and limousine service are available at Bangkok International Airport all the time. Limousine service charge is about USD 20 nett per trip. Participants are requested to come to hotels by their own.

Hotel Accommodation and Reservation Form

1. All participants are recommended to stay at Amari Watergate Hotel, which is the conference venue at special room rate.

2. Special room rate, including breakfast, service charge and VAT

Superior room	Single/Twin	USD 61/66
Executive room	Single/Twin	USD 96/105
Corner Suite room		USD 150
Executive Suite room		USD 185

3. Hotel room Reservation Form is provided for participants as attached.

**Tentative Program
for
The Seventh Asia-Pacific Conference
on
Multilateral Cooperation in Space Technology and Applications**

August 21,2003 (Thursday)

- Arrival of Delegation

Preconference Meeting

15.00 - 18.00	Registration
17.00 - 18.00	Meeting of Liaison Committee
18.00 - 20.00	Meeting of Chairman and Co-chairman, Leading members, Speakers
20.00	Dinner

August 22,2003 (Friday)

08.00 - 09.00	Registration
09.30 - 10.00	Opening Ceremony (by Minister of MICT)
10.00 - 10.20	Coffee Break
10.20 - 12.00	Keynote, Speeches and Addresses (by member countries : Thailand, China, Korea, Pakistan etc.)
12.00 - 13.30	Lunch
13.30 - 14.00	Report of Liaison Committee
14.00 - 15.30	Presentation of Opinion Papers
15.30 - 15.50	Coffee Break
15.50 - 18.00	Presentation of Opinion Papers (Continued)
18.30 - 21.30	Welcome Dinner

August 23,2003 (Saturday)

08.00 - 12.00	Visit Thaicom Teleport and DTH Center, Lad Loom Keaw, Pathumthani Province.
13.00 - 17.00	Visit Bangsai Arts and Craft Center and the Famous Historic Park and the World Heritage registered by UNESCO, Ayutthaya .

August 24,2003 (Sunday)

Free

August 25,2003 (Monday)

08.30 - 10.00	Technical Sessions (Room A-C)
10.00 - 10.20	Coffee Break
10.20 - 12.00	Technical Sessions (Continued)
12.00 - 13.30	Lunch
13.30 - 15.30	Technical Sessions (Continued)
15.30 - 15.50	Coffee Break
15.50 - 19.00	Technical Sessions (Continued)

August 26,2003 (Tuesday)

08.30 - 10.00	Plenary Session Discussion on the Recommendation of the Conference
10.00 - 10.20	Coffee Break
10.20 - 12.00	Discussion on the Recommendation of the Conference(Continued)
12.00 - 13.30	Lunch
13.30 - 14.30	Adoption of the Recommendation of the Conference
14.30 - 14.50	Coffee Break
14.50 - 15.30	Closing Ceremony

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ATTENDANCE FORM FOR PARTICIPANTS

IMPORTANT: Please complete this form and forward by 1st August 2003 to:

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Tel.No. (Office):..... Tel.No. (Res.):.....
Fax:..... E-mail:.....

5. Accommodation requirements:
Rooms at **Amari Watergate Hotel** are quoted to a special Conference rate, subject to availability.
Please fax or e-mail your request directly to :
Amari Watergate Hotel
Ms. Chollada Nateluecha – Senior Sales Manager
Tel. (66) 2 – 653 9000 # 5103 Fax (66) 2 – 653 9045 (66) 1 – 627 7770
E-mail : Sales@Watergate.Amari.com .You will receive a confirmation letter from hotel. Please tick appropriate box below ;

Superior room (include breakfast)
 Yes, Single room charge USD 61 nett
 Yes, Twin room charge USD 66 nett

Corner suit room (include breakfast)
 Yes, Single or Twin room charge USD 150 nett

Extra bed
 Yes, Extra bed charge USD 20 nett (if required)

Executive room (include breakfast)
 Yes, Single room charge USD 96 nett
 Yes, Twin room charge USD 105 nett

Executive suit room (include breakfast)
 Yes, Single or Twin room charge USD 185 nett

Limousine service
 Yes, Round trip (Airport–Hotel–Airport) charge USD 40 nett
 Yes. One way (Airport–Hotel or Hotel- Airport) charge USD 20 nett per trip

(All room charge and Limousine service charge include service charge and government tax.)

Check in date : Time Flight.....

Check out date : Time Flight.....

Signature :.....
Date:.....