

ICRI 29th General Meeting General Information

The following document explains some general information for ICRI’s general meeting in Okinawa: 1) Transportation, 2) Excursion, and 3) Other Information.

Important: If you are arriving at the Domestic Terminal of Naha Airport

Please note that there is no currency exchange counter at the domestic terminal of Naha Airport. For participants who will be taking connecting flights to Naha, it is advisable to exchange money upon arrival in Japan (e.g., at Narita) or before leaving your country.

1. Transportation

a. Naha Airport to the hotel

■ From Domestic Terminal

Please purchase a bus ticket bound for **Area C**, and go to the bus stop. The bus fare to Moon Beach Hotel or Hotel Monterey is JPY1,500, and to Sun Marina Hotel or Rizzan Sea-Park Hotel is JPY1,600.

Return tickets to the airport are available at the hotel front desk. Please ask the hotel receptionists.



Figure 1: A map of the domestic terminal and the area immediately outside the building. (The bus stop for the domestic terminal is in the top right corner of this map, circled in blue.)

■ From International Terminal

There is no Bus Ticket Counter at the international terminal, but there is a bus stop. Please go to the **domestic** terminal and purchase a ticket. Once you have your ticket, you may board the bus from either the domestic terminal or the international terminal. (If you are arriving in a group of two or more, we may suggest that one person goes to the domestic terminal to purchase the tickets, returns to the international terminal, and then for the entire group to board the bus from the international terminal.)

It is a 5-minute walk to the domestic terminal (the domestic terminal will immediately be in sight after exiting the international terminal); free shuttle bus service is also available between the two terminals.



Figure 2: A floor map of the international terminal (1F), its bus stop, and the direction of the domestic terminal.

Please visit the following website for the latest timetable of the Limousine bus.

URL: http://okinawabus.com/en/ls/ls_timetable/#area_c

b. Hotels to the meeting venue

Shuttle bus service will be provided to the meeting venue via two routes depending on your hotel. Please check your hotel below and the time of the pick-up. Please come to the hotel lobby at least 5 minutes before departure.

◆ **Route A**

Date	Day 1 (20 Oct)	Day 2 (21 Oct)*	Day 2 (21 Oct)	Day 3 (22 Oct)	Day 4 (23 Oct)
Hotel					
Hotel Moon Beach	07:35	08:15	11:20	Excursion	08:45
Hotel Monterey	07:40	08:20	11:25		08:50
Kafuu Resort	07:45	08:25	11:30		08:55
Sunmarina Hotel	07:50	08:30	11:35		09:00
OIST (meeting venue)	08:00	08:40	11:45		09:10

*For participants who will attend the East Asia Regional Meeting (ICRI East Asia members).

◆ **Route B**

Date	Day 1 (20 Oct)	Day 2 (21 Oct)*	Day 2 (21 Oct)	Day 3 (22 Oct)	Day 4 (23 Oct)
Hotel					
Rizzan Sea-Park	07:45	08:30	11:35	Excursion	08:50
OIST (meeting venue)	08:00	08:40	11:45		09:10

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2. Excursion

Excursions are tentatively scheduled as follows. More details on excursions will be provided later.

- ◆ **Course 1. The coral restoration center and the mangrove estuary managed by the local communities**

Time	Schedule
08:30	Dep. from hotel (Rizzan-Sunmarina-Monterey)
09:00-09:45	Visit to the Coral Restoration Center at the Onna Village Fishery Cooperatives
09:45-10:30	Presentation: "Coral conservation activities by local fishers"
10:30-12:00	to Yanbaru
12:00-13:00	Lunch @ Mangrove Park, Higashi Village
13:00-13:20	Briefing on the program
13:20-14:30	Observation of the mangrove estuary
14:35-15:50	Canoeing on the Kesaji River
16:00-16:40	Presentation: "Community-based management of the mangrove estuary"
16:50-	from Yanbaru
18:30	Arr. at hotel

- ◆ **Course 2. The Tropical Biosphere Research Center of the University of the Ryukyus and the Okinawa Churaumi Aquarium**

Time	Schedule
08:30	Dep. from hotel (Rizzan-Sunmarina-Monterey-Moon Beach)
10:00-12:00	Tropical Biosphere Research Center, Sesoko Station
12:00-13:00	Lunch
13:00-16:00	Okinawa Churaumi Aquarium
	-free time-
17:30	Arr. at hotel

◆ Course 3. Kerama Islands National Park (Diving)

Time	Schedule
07:00	Dep. from hotel (Rizzan-Kafuu Resort)
09:00-10:20	Ferry (Tomari – Akajima Island)
10:30-11:00	Diving gear check; briefing
11:00-14:00	Diving
	Observation of coral transplantation sites
14:00-15:00	Lunch
15:00-16:00	Visit to the coral farming center at Akajima Marine Science Laboratory
16:00-17:10	Ferry (Akajima Island – Tomari)
19:00	Arr. at hotel

3. Other Information

- Weather: Late October in Okinawa is expected to be around the end of the typhoon season. As long as we are not hit by a typhoon, we should be able to enjoy Okinawa’s warm weather with daily highs around 28 degrees Celsius/83 degrees Fahrenheit and daily lows around 20 degrees Celsius/68 degrees Fahrenheit.
 - Currency: Japanese YEN (currency convertor - www.xe.com)
 - Time Zone: GMT/UTC +9
 - Country Dialing Code: +81
 - Electricity
 - AC outlet: 100V
 - Plug Type: A
- (<http://www.iec.ch/worldplugs/typeA.htm>)

Should you have any questions, please contact the ICRI Secretariat at icri@env.go.jp or the Secretariat DAR (29th_icri_gm@jwrc.or.jp). We look forward to welcoming you all in Okinawa next week!