

CONGRESS INFORMATION

The following information is provided to make your attendance at the 33rd APAO Congress in Hong Kong as enjoyable as possible. If you require assistance throughout the Congress, please visit the Registration Desk and we will do everything we can to help you.

Event Name

The 33rd Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology Congress

Congress Venue

Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre
1 Expo Drive, Wan Chai, Hong Kong

Registration and Information Desk

The APAO 2018 Congress Registration and Information Desk is located on Level 3 of Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre and will operate during the times listed below:

Feb 7, 2018 (Wed)	16:00 – 18:00
Feb 8, 2018 (Thu)	07:30 – 18:00
Feb 9, 2018 (Fri)	07:30 – 18:00
Feb 10, 2018 (Sat)	07:30 – 18:00
Feb 11, 2018 (Sun)	07:30 – 12:30

On-Site Payment

On-site payment with cash and credit card can be made at the Registration Desk during opening hours. Cheques are not accepted.

Name Badges

Each delegate registered for the Congress will receive a name badge at the Registration Desk.

All delegate badges entitle you to entry of the following:

- All Scientific Sessions;
- Exhibition Hall; and
- Opening Ceremony of APAO 2018

Accompanying Persons (if any) are entitled to enter only the Exhibition Hall and Opening Ceremony of APAO 2018.

This badge will be your official pass and must be worn during the Congress for identification.

Reissuing of delegate/accompanying person badges will be available at the Registration Desk. Badges are nontransferable. An administrative fee of USD20 may be incurred for re-issuing a delegate badge.

Delegate Bag and Ribbon Collection

Delegate bags and ribbons are available for pickup at the "Delegate Bag Pick Up" counter in the exhibition hall at level 3. Delegates can collect their own delegate bag upon presentation of their name badge.

Dress Code

Neat casual attire is acceptable for attendance at Congress sessions and social functions.

APAO Smartphone App

The APAO 2018 mobile app provides easy-to-use interactive capabilities to enhance your Congress experience. The app features all the scientific sessions and instructions courses, posters, e-posters, video abstracts, general information, floor plan, and a city map.

The app can be downloaded by scanning the QR code on the program book cover or that shown below.



ANDROID APP



IOS APP

Updating the app regularly is recommended. For help on downloading the app and navigating its functions, please ask for assistance at the Registration Desk.

Speaker Ready Room

All speakers are required to check in and upload their PowerPoint at the respective Speaker Ready Room 24 hours before their scheduled presentation. The computers in the Speaker Ready Room will have the exact same configuration as those in the session rooms. It is imperative that you review your presentation in the Speaker Ready Room where our technicians will help resolve any compatibility and/or formatting issues.

The PowerPoint and video files you have uploaded onto the computer in the Speaker Ready Room will be automatically transmitted to the laptop computer at the podium before your session begins. The Speaker Ready Room will be open during the following times in **S222 & N204**:

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Feb 11, 2018 (Sun)	07:30 – 11:00

Abstract Book

A PDF copy of the abstract book is available online at <http://2018.apaophth.org/publications>. No hard copy will be distributed. Please scan the QR code below to access the abstract book:



Scientific Posters

Paper posters can be found in the Exhibition Hall on Level 3. There will be one poster session showcasing over 300 posters.

Session 1: No. 1 – No. 330

Poster sessions will be conducted during the morning and afternoon breaks from February 8 – 11, 2018. Delegates can use the image scanner to scan the poster. They will then be directed to a recording made by the author where applicable.

Additionally, delegates can vote for 5 of their favorite posters using the stickers found inside the delegate bag. Voting begins on February 8 at 09:00 and ends on February 10 at 12:00.

E-Poster & Video Platform

There are over 389 accepted electronic posters and 62 selected videos showcased in APAO 2018. Delegates may visit the E-Poster and Video Platform located in the Exhibition Hall. They can view e-posters via the smartphone app. They will then be directed to a recording made by the author where applicable.

In addition, delegates can vote for 5 of their favorite e-posters and videos using the platform in the Exhibition Hall and/or the Congress app. The voting period ends on February 10 at 12:00.

VIP Lounge

Delegates with a VIP Pass can use the VIP Lounge located in room S229 on Level 2.

Morning and Afternoon Tea

Morning and afternoon tea will be served in the Exhibition Hall.

Policies

No Smoking – Smoking is strictly prohibited in all session rooms, meeting and exhibition areas. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Mobile Phones – Please respect the presenter and other delegates by ensuring that your mobile phone is on silent while you are in sessions.

Photography in the Exhibition Hall – Attendees wishing to photograph or videotape an exhibit must obtain permission from the relevant company beforehand.

Photographing or Videotaping Scientific Sessions – Photographing and/or videotaping the scientific sessions are strictly prohibited. (Permission must be obtained in advance by media representatives.)

Certificates of Attendance

Certificates can be generated at <http://congress.apaophth.org/> after the Congress. Please log in with the exact same email address that you used to register for the Congress.

WiFi

APAO is offering free connectivity to all delegates. To connect, enable the wireless connection on your device and select “APAO2018” with password “APAO2018”. You will be connected to the internet.

Congress Photography

Some of the Congress sessions taking place will be filmed and recorded. There will also be a photographer present over the course of the Congress who will be capturing images. Any images will be retained and used by APAO (eg, on the APAO website, in publications, etc.). If you have any concern with your photograph being taken or session recorded, please contact the APAO office.

Official Tour Desk

There will be a tour desk next to the Registration Desk to help you with information on Hong Kong and booking trips in and around Hong Kong while you are here.

Congress Directory

PLACE	LOCATION
APAO Office	S230
Registration Desk	Level 3
Information Desk	Level 3
VIP Lounge	S229
Speaker Ready Room	S222 & N204
Opening Ceremony	Hall 5G
Exhibition Hall	Level 3
Scientific Posters & Videos	Level 3

GENERAL INFORMATION

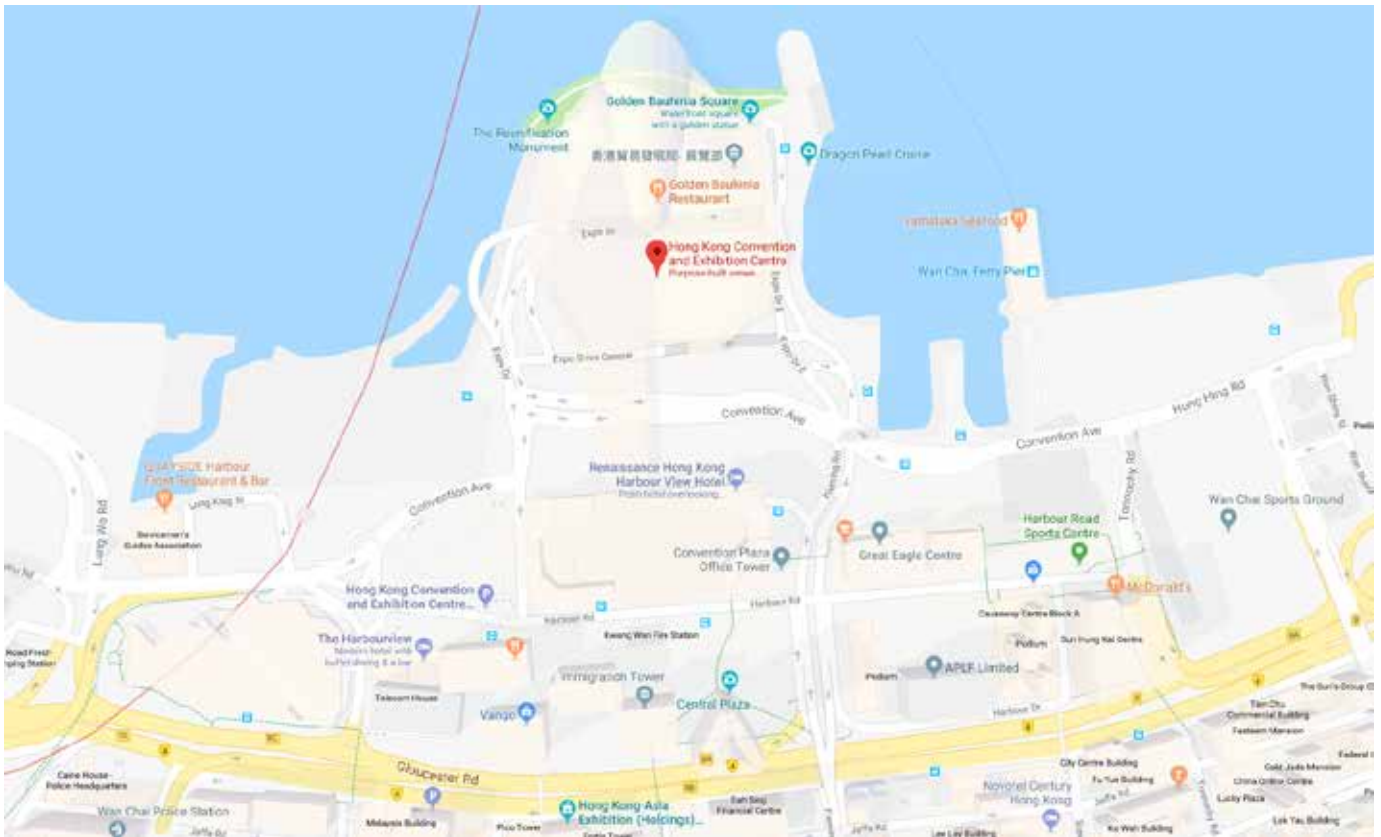
Venue Information

Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre

1 Expo Drive, Wan Chai, Hong Kong
General Enquiries: +852 2582 8888

The award-winning Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre (HKCEC) is one of the largest purpose-built complexes in Asia. Conveniently located downtown, the HKCEC has rental space totaling over 92,000 sqm, comprising 7 exhibition halls, 2 ballroom-style convention halls, 2 adjacent convention foyers, 52 meeting rooms, and 2 theaters. The spacious atrium and ancillary area can be used for pre-function gathering and supporting amenities.

Site Map



Visiting Hong Kong

APAO 2018 will be held in a vibrant cosmopolitan city located on the South China Sea—Hong Kong. Known as Asia’s World City, Hong Kong is a top destination for many international and regional events. With soaring skyscrapers and bustling streets, the city is a modern international hub of finance and trade, with elements of traditional Chinese and British heritage evident through language, food, and culture.

For more information about Hong Kong, please visit the following website:

<http://www.discoverhongkong.com/eng/index.jsp>.

Weather

Hong Kong has a subtropical humid climate. However, winter is a relatively dry and temperate time of year, with a mean maximum temperature of 18.9°C/66°F and a mean minimum temperature of 15°C/59°F in February. For the latest weather forecast, please visit the Hong Kong Observatory’s website: <http://www.hko.gov.hk/contente.htm>.

Getting to the Congress Venue

Taxi

Taxis may drop passengers at the entrance of Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre.

MTR

Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre is approximately a 10-minute walk from Wan Chai Station on the MTR’s Island Line.

Bus

The following bus routes serve Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre: 2A, 2X, 8, 8P, 15B, 25A, 40, 641, 673, 722, 780, 788, 905, 930, 930X, 960, 960P, 960S, 978.

For bus information, please visit the following websites:

<http://www.kmb.hk/en/>

<http://www.nwstbus.com.hk/home/default.aspx?intLangID=1>

For more information, please visit the Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre website:

<https://www.hkcec.com/en>.

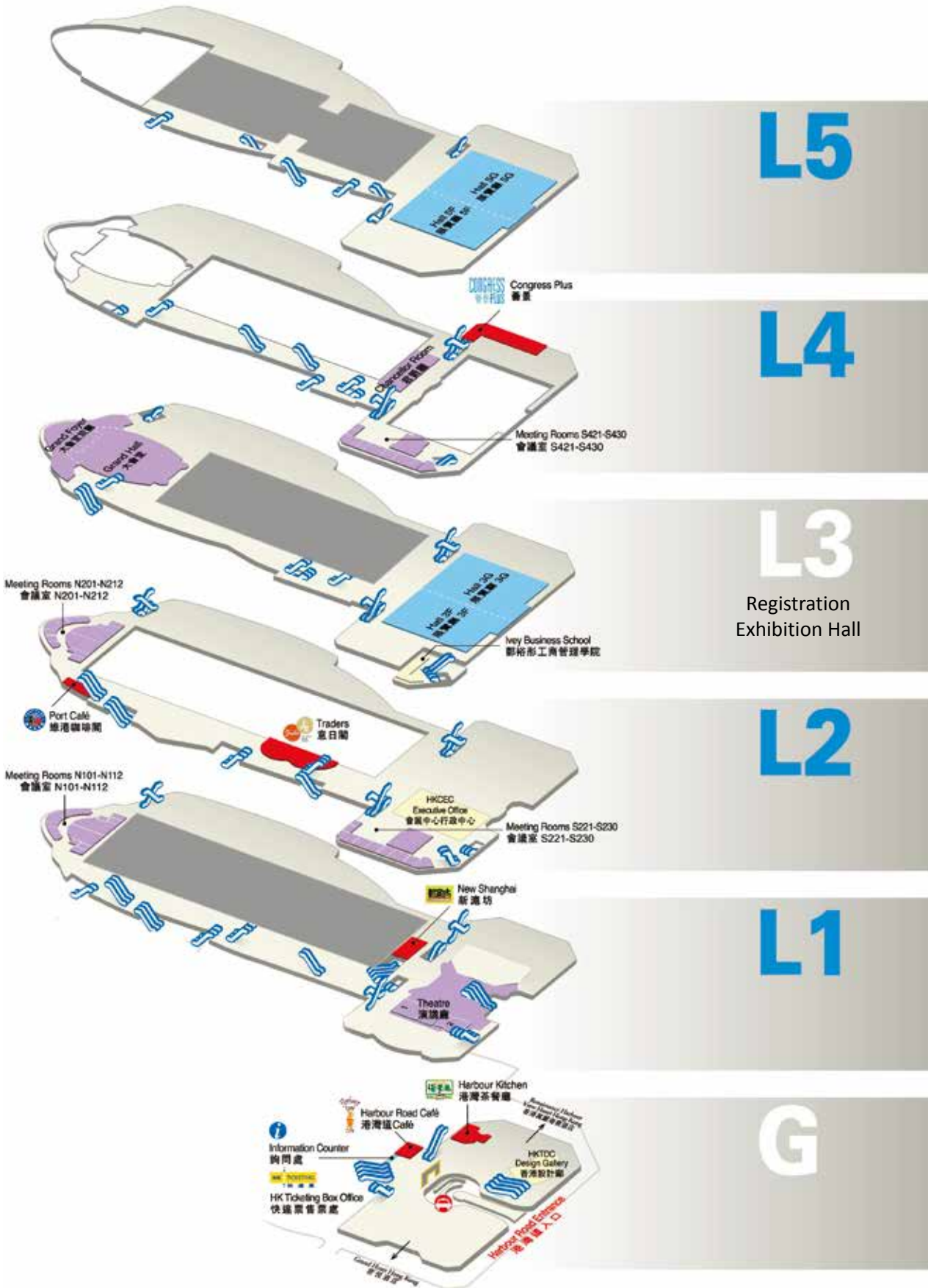
Telecommunications

You may purchase a pre-paid mobile SIM card at the airport or from a telecommunications shop and most convenience stores in Hong Kong.

Tipping

Tipping is not customary in Hong Kong. Some restaurants, however, levy a 10% service charge on your bill.

FLOOR PLAN





L5	L4	L2	L1
Hall 5G	Chancellor Room	N201A	Theatre 1
	S421	N201B	Theatre 2
	S423-S428	N206-N208	
	Prayer Room S430	N211-N212	
		S223-S228	
		VIP Lounge S229	
		APAO Office S230	
		Media Room N202	
		Speaker Ready Room	
		S222, N204	

■ SOCIAL PROGRAM

Presidential Dinner

Date: February 7, 2018 (Wednesday)
Pick Up Time: 18:00 – 19:00
Time: 18:30 – 19:30 (Cocktail Reception)
19:30 – 21:30 (Dinner)
Venue: Hong Kong Jockey Club
By Invitation Only

Opening Ceremony

Date: February 8, 2018 (Thursday)
Time: 16:00 – 17:00
Venue: Hall 5G, Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre
Open to All Delegates

Welcome Reception

Date: February 8, 2018 (Thursday)
Time: 17:00 – 17:30
Venue: Exhibition Hall, Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre
Open to All Delegates

Women in Ophthalmology Lunch

Date: February 8, 2018 (Thursday)
Time: 13:00 – 14:00
Venue: N211-N212, Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre
Open to All Delegates

Young Ophthalmologists' Night

Date: February 9, 2018 (Friday)
Time: 18:00 – 20:00
Venue: FRITES Belgium on Tap
For Young Ophthalmologists and LDP Alumni

Charity Run

Date: February 10, 2018 (Saturday)
Time: 6:30 – 8:00
Venue: Central and Western District Promenade
Open to All Delegates

Leadership Development Program Alumni Reception

Date: February 10, 2018 (Saturday)
Time: 13:00 – 14:00
Venue: N206-N208, Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre
For LDP Alumni

Gala Dinner

Date: February 10, 2018 (Saturday)
Time: 18:30 – 21:30
Venue: Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre
Cost: US\$100 per person
Open to All Delegates