

INFORMATION NOTE

OECD-ADBI-IRDA of India Roundtable on Insurance and Retirement Saving in Asia

&

Symposium on Reinsurance Risk and Opportunity

(Sponsored by the Government of Japan)

**16-18 March 2020
Hyderabad, India**

Schedule & Event

OECD-ADBI-IRDAI Roundtable on Insurance and Retirement Saving (16-17 March 2020) and Symposium on Reinsurance Risk and Opportunity (18 March 2020) at the **Hyderabad International Convention Centre (HICC)** in Hyderabad , India.

Venue Address:

Novotel & HICC Complex, Kondapur, Hyderabad, Telangana 500081

Phone: 040 6682 4422

For information in detail about Venue, please visit www.hicc.com

Contact Person : Mr. Chaitanya

Mobile no – 9642326152

Access to Venue:

It is a 35 km drive to the Rajiv Gandhi International Airport. Please refer to AIRPORT TRANSFERS below, for details on transportation options.

It should be noted that accommodation is being made available in the same Hotel i.e **Novotel & HICC Complex (www.hicc.com)**, which we encourage participants to stay to ensure their timely arrival. Reservations with the hotel can be made through the reservation sheet being made available with this information note which should be made **by 7 February 2020**.

Registration:

Please note that participation is by invitation only. To apply for registration, please submit your registration **by 10 February 2020** at the registration link [here](#):

Late comers may not be accepted.

OECD Delegates and OECD member governmental officials , please register directly through your delegation [Event number E99084 or directly link to EMS [here](#)]

For further assistance please contact

Ms. -Johanna Palmi (Johanna.palmi@oecd.org)

Information on the events can be found at:

Roundtable: <https://www.oecd.org/pensions/insurance/2020-roundtable-insurance-retirement-saving-asia.htm>

Symposium: <https://www.oecd.org/daf/fin/insurance/2020-symposium-reinsurance-risk-opportunity-asia.htm>

Document and Website

If you have been asked to contribute a paper or presentation to the roundtable/symposium or wish to submit any relevant background material, please send your material to Mr. Matteo Molineris (mmolineris@adbi.org) **by 29 February 2020**.

Late submission may not be accepted.

Please note that unless presenters advise otherwise, all presentations will be posted on a public document depository which the link will be sent to all the participants.

Language

The Roundtable and Symposium will be conducted in English

Meals & Social Events

Please indicate any special dietary requirements when registering. Lunch and refreshments will be provided for all participants during breaks during the Roundtable and the Symposium.

A dinner reception will be hosted by the Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI) from 7PM to 9PM on 16 & 17 March 2020 for participants. Please confirm your attendance via the Registration link.

The Organizers regret that no program can be arranged for spouses / partners.

Facilities at the venue

Wifi will be available. Participants will be provided with the necessary information during registration at the venue.

Travel Information

Foreign Nationals coming to India are required to possess a genuine and valid national passport and Visa or any other internationally recognized travel document establishing his/her nationality and identity and bearing photograph of self.

Participants wishing to have an invitation letter issued to obtain the e-conference visa, please provide details when registering at the registration link. An invitation letter will be sent to you upon acceptance of registration.

Exemptions

Nepal and Bhutan nationals if entering India by land or air from the Nepal or Bhutan border respectively do not require a passport for entering into India. However, they are required to possess, authorized identity proof. Further if they are entering India from a place other than their own country then possession of passport is a must.

Conference visas

Conference visas are issued for attending conferences or seminars in India for a duration of 30 days. For participation in certain conferences, approval of the concerned authorities in India may be essential and would, therefore, require a longer processing time. The applicant should attach a copy of the letter of invitation to the Conference from the organizers along with the clearance from the Govt. of India.

To get accurate information about how to apply for the above visas please check the websites of the Indian Consulates in your respective countries and www.indianvisaonline.gov.in.

e-Visas to India are available to citizens of most countries. For more information, please visit (<https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/evisa/>). Only certain countries are eligible for visa exemption.

Please go through the procedures for grant of Indian Visas for foreign participants coming for International Conferences, Seminar and Workshop etc. from this [link](#).

There are several countries regarded as Yellow Fever-infected. For further details and updated information, please visit www.immigrationindia.nic.in/health_regulations.html.

The following regulations apply to citizens of the affected countries:

For entry into India:-Any person, Foreigner or Indian, (excluding infants below six months) arriving by air or sea without a vaccination certificate of yellow fever will be kept in quarantine isolation for a period up to 6 days if:

1. He arrives in India within 6 days of departure/transit from a yellow fever endemic area.
2. Has come on a ship which has started from or transited at any port in a yellow fever endemic country within 30 days of its arrival in India provided such ship has not been disinfected in accordance with the procedure laid down by WHO.

(B) For leaving India: -There is no health check requirement by Indian Government on passengers leaving India

Air Travel:

Hyderabad city is well connected by roadways, railways and airways – both domestic and international.

Hyderabad is connected to most major cities domestically as well as internationally via the Rajiv Gandhi International Airport. Located in Shamshabad, about 22 kilometres away from the city, the airport has won numerous global awards and operates non-stop flights to and from most foreign countries. The major international airlines are Emirates Airlines, British Airlines, Air France, Lufthansa Airlines, Malaysian Airlines, etc.; the major domestic airlines are Indigo Airlines, Air India, Jet Airways, SpiceJet Airlines etc. From the airport, there are several options one can take to get to the city.

RGIA Airport has presently one integrated Terminal for domestic and international arrivals and departures and one Special Handling Haj Terminal. It is recommended that you arrive 90 minutes prior to departure for check-in and security screening for domestic flights. For International Flights, please arrive 180 minutes prior to departure for check-in and security screening.

Airport – Money Exchange facility: Weizmann Forex counter is available at both arrivals and departures.

Airport Transfers

Participants are requested to make their own arrangements for airport transfers to/from your hotel location. You could use any of the following options:

1. Hotel transportation
2. Hire a radio taxi from Meru or Easy Cabs/ Ola / Uber etc.
3. Hire a car from the car rental counters
4. Use the TSRTC Pushpak Liner service
5. Prepaid Taxis

We, however, recommend to use the hotel airport pick/ drop facility or Taxis for your convenience. This information can be found in the hotel reservation sheet.

1. Hotel Airport Pick / Drop

Hotel HICC is offering Hotel Airport pick up and drop. The charges are as indicated below:

Charges per way per car (Etios): INR 2750 Inclusive of Taxes, (Parking and Toll fee Extra).

Charges per way per car (Toyota Innova): INR 3500 Inclusive of Taxes, (Parking and Toll fee Extra).

Note: Airport pick up reservation requires Credit Card Guarantee. The above is a 'quote only', based on information provided by you and if no airport transfers arrangements has been made.

2. Car Rentals

At Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, Car Rental Services are provided by Srinivasa Rent-A-CAB and One Car Rental Services (Noori Enterprises) # 040 40404040. They would provide the best services for the passengers arriving at the Airport.

3. Taxi

Radio Taxis

Radio Taxi service at the Rajiv Gandhi International Airport is provided by leading service providers Meru and Sky cabs for the convenience of our customers. This is an air conditioned cab service with charges payable on the basis of meter reading at the end of the journey. Radio taxi can't be pre-booked from Airport. Only those taxis that have taken the license for operating Radio Taxi Service from the Government can operate this service in Hyderabad Fare: INR 21 per km, Minimum INR 20 per km for the first 2 Km travelled, Waiting charges @ Rs 1 per minute. 25%-night surcharge is applicable between 2300 hours to 0500 hours

Radio Taxi pick up point now at car park level and counters available at arrivals.

Meru: +91 40 44224422

Sky Cabs: +91 40 49494949

4. TSRTC Pushpak AIRPORT LINER

TSRTC introduced A/C Electric buses under FAME scheme at Hyderabad. These Electrical Buses are being operated to Airport along with Volvo buses from various parts of Hyderabad.

About Hyderabad and its culture

Known popularly as the City of Pearls and Cyberabad, Hyderabad is a major tourist destination in India. Set up in 1591, it has grown to become one of the major metropolitan cities of the country, and capital of the state of Telangana. It is also known for its booming IT industry, biopharmaceutical sector, and Tollywood – the Telugu film industry.

The city represents a confluence of the old and the new – Hyderabad is synonymous with Charminar, the 400-year-old monument, and is also known for its pearls, bangles, silks, IT companies and diverse cuisine. Though a cosmopolitan city, it has retained its glorious past. Hyderabad is home to people from diverse cultures and traditions.

The decline of the Mughal Empire in Delhi in 1857 CE allowed Hyderabad to emerge as the foremost centre of culture in India. The migration of performing artists to the city particularly from the north and west of the Indian sub-continent under the patronage of the Nizam, enriched the cultural milieu. This migration resulted in a mingling of North and South Indian languages, cultures and religions, which have since led to a co-existence of the ancient Hindu and the centuries old Muslim traditions, for which the city has become renowned. Christianity, Jainism, Zoroastrianism and Buddhism have likewise thrived alongside each other. Now recognized globally as an IT hub, Hyderabad has a marvelous blend of diverse cultures (historical and modern), which is emulated in the daily lifestyle of the people.

Mecca Masjid, Charminar, Golconda fort, QutubShahi tombs, Paigah tombs are some of the historic structures. There are many other structures like Falaknuma Palace, Chowmohalla Palace, Taramati Baradari etc., which are quite famous attracting tourists from all over. Birla Mandir, Jagannath temple, Salarjung Museum, Hussain Sagar lake, Mir Alam Tank, Nehru Zoological park, KBR park , Mrugavani National Park, are some of the other major tourist attractions.

Accommodation:

Accommodation must be reserved and paid for directly by participants.

It is recommended that you book the venue **Hotel Novotel HICC** using the registration sheet provided. You can also access the registration sheet at <https://www.oecd.org/pensions/insurance/2020-roundtable-insurance-retirement-saving-asia.htm>.

Hotels in the vicinity

Hyderabad is home to star hotels that not just provide the best of rooms and services, but also cater to every kind of tastes and requirements.

- **Novotel Hyderabad Airport – 305 Rooms**
- **The Westin Hyderabad Mindspace – 428 Rooms**
- **Hyatt Hyderabad Gachibowli – 166 Rooms**
- **Trident, Hyderabad – 323 Rooms**
- **Hotel Avasa – 217 Rooms**
- **Ellaa Suites – 117 Rooms**
- **Holiday Inn Express – 232 Rooms**

Climate:

Hyderabad has a warmer climate and hence cooler months, i.e. October to March are considered ideal to visit the city.

- **October to February:** Climate is quite pleasant in the month of October; you may find some of the days cloudy. The winter season in Hyderabad begins from the month of November and continues till February.
- **March to May:** These months constitute the summer season in Hyderabad with April and May being the hottest months of the year.
- **June to September:** Packed with heavy rains and strong winds, these months constitute the monsoon season in Hyderabad.

Currency:

Indian Currency is INR . It is available in INR 1 , INR 5 , INR 10 , INR 20 ,INR 50 ,INR 100 ,INR 200, INR 500 , INR 2000.

Cash Withdrawals :

ATMs can be found in International Airports and in shopping Malls. Other locations allow you to withdraw Cash by Credit Cards, including Visa and Master cards.

Emergency Contacts:

Embassies around the world <http://www.embassyworld.org>

Further Enquiries :

For further information or enquiries about the Round table please contact :

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