

TRAVEL INFORMATION

The closest international airport to the conference venue in Kyoto is the ***Kansai International Airport*** (KIX), **Osaka**, Japan.

From the airport, please take the *JR Airport Express*, **HARUKA**, to Kyoto.

<http://www.westjr.co.jp/english/travel/kix/index.html>

The train will arrive at the *JR Kyoto* station platform #30, which is adjacent to the ***Karasuma Chūō Kaisatsu*** Gate. Please exit the gate and proceed to a taxi stand in front of the *Hotel Granvia Kyoto*. Please take a taxi to the hotel at which you will be staying.

You could take the subway *Karasuma* line from *Kyoto* station to ***Karasuma-Oike*** station (for the ***Hotel Gimmond Kyoto***) or ***Marutamachi*** station (for the ***Hotel Garden Palace Kyoto***) and walk to the hotels from respective stations. However, taking the subway to the hotel upon arrival is not recommended for those whom have never traveled to Kyoto before as it may be quite confusing.

Conference staff with a sign will be waiting for your arrival at the *Kansai International Airport* and the *JR Kyoto* station. Please make sure to report your arrival to them so that the staff can assist you accordingly.

If you are flying into the ***Narita International Airport*** (NRT), **Tokyo**, you have two ways to get to Kyoto:

1. Take a connecting flight to the *Kansai International Airport* (KIX) or the *Osaka International (Itami) Airport* (ITA), and then take a train (from KIX) or a shuttle bus (from ITA) to the *JR Kyoto* station.
2. Take JR lines, the ***Narita Express***, from Narita to Tokyo, and then the ***Shinkansen*** (bullet train) from Tokyo to Kyoto.

For further information on travel to Kyoto, Japan, please refer to the following websites:

<http://www.japanrail.com/index.html>

<http://www.kyoto.travel/>