

# Participants' Information

The 1<sup>st</sup> APT Wireless Forum Meeting

7-9 September 2004, Busan, Rep. of Korea ITU-APT Seminar on Broadband Wireless Access 10 September 2004, Busan, Rep. of Korea



## Dear Colleagues,

We have the pleasure to invite you to the 1<sup>st</sup> **APT Wireless Forum Meeting** to be held on 7-9 September 2004 and **ITU-APT Seminar on Broadband Wireless Access for Asia Pacific Region** to be held on 10 September 2004 in Busan, Republic of Korea. The venue will be Busan Lotte Hotel and we are looking forward to seeing you in Busan.

Thank you.

## Venue

#### Busan Lotte Hotel

Address: 503-15, Bujeon-dong, Busanjin-gu, Busan, 614-030, Republic of Korea Tel: +82-51-810-1000 Fax: +82-51-810-5110 Website:<u>http://www.lottehotel.co.kr/kan?cmd=HLNE410Qry\_Eng&page=index\_Epu&branchCode=04&ekCode=2</u>



## Registration

Registration for AWF will be on Tuesday, September 7, 2004 from 08:00 to 09:20 a.m. The Registration desk will be set up in front of the Plenary conference room (Crystal Ballroom #3).

## **Hotel Accommodation**

The meeting venue, Busan Lotte Hotel, is also recommended for all participants to stay during the meeting. Please, make sure you *book through APT secretariat*, not directly to the hotel.

## **Sleeping Room Rate**

Single/double room's rate: 135US / per night (1 breakfast included) + 10% service charge (no difference whether on person sleep or two persons do).

Additional breakfast: 11US\$ per person + 11% government tax + 10% service charge (in case of two persons sleep and he wants).

## **Cut-off Date**

## August 13, 2004

Reservations after August 13 will be acceptable only upon space availability.

## Reservations

Please, complete the hotel reservation section of the AWF registration form available on APT website (<u>http://www.aptsec.org/meetings/2004/AWF/default.htm</u>), and <u>send it to APT secretariat</u> by e-mail (<u>aptawf@aptsec.org</u>) or by fax (+66 2 574 4226).

## **Cancellation:**

Cancellation made before 72 hours prior to arrival: No cancellation charge. Cancellation made after 72 hours prior to arrival including No-shows: one night room charge.

## Visa Information

Any foreign visitors wishing to enter the Republic of Korea should have a valid passport and a visa if necessary. Following Nationals can enter Korea **without visas**:

- Asia: Bangladesh, Malaysia, New Zealand, Singapore, Thailand and Israel.
- America: Antigua & Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Colombia, Commonwealth of Dominica, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Haiti, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Peru, Panama, Brazil, El Salvador, St. Lucia, St. Kitts-Nevis, St. Vincent & the Grenadines, Surinam, Trinidad & Tobago.
- Africa: Lesotho, Liberia, Morocco, Tunisia.
- **Europe:** Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Rumania, Spain, Slovakia, Sweden, Switzerland, The Netherlands, United Kingdom, Turkey.

The following Nationals who want to visit Korea just for a short-term tour or transit are permitted to enter Korea with no visa according to the principles of reciprocity or priority of national interests with a tourist/transit visa status (B-2, 30days). Special status is awarded to Canadians (6 months) and Australian (90days).

- Asia: Macao, Brunei, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Republic of Yemen, Oman, Japan, Qatar, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Kuwait, Guam, Nauru, Micronesia, New Caledonia, Solomon Islands, Kiribati, Fiji, Australia, Marshall Islands, Palau.
- America: USA, Canada, Guatemala, Argentina, Chile, Venezuela, Honduras Uruguay, Paraguay.
- Europe: Lithuania, Monaco, Vatican City, Slovenia, Croatia, Albania, Cyprus, San Marino, Andorra.
- Africa: South Africa, Swaziland, Egypt.

In case you require a personal letter of invitation for a visa application, please fill in the visa section of the registration form available on APT website, and <u>send it to APT secretariat</u>. This request should be made <u>no later than by August</u> <u>18, 2004</u>.

It is required for the visa applicants to submit passport, application forms, a passport-style color photograph and invitation letter for AWF meetings. Visa form is available at the APT website.

Detailed visa information can be found on the <u>Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Republic of Korea</u> website (<u>http://www.mofat.go.kr/en/visa/e\_visa.mof</u>).

## Transportation

All participants are required to arrange their own flight and local transportation from departure to the final destination, Gimhae Airport (Busan). Please, read the information included in this letter carefully.

#### **Air Travel and Transfer**

The most convenient way to get to Busan is to fly directly to Gimhae Airport from your departure point. Please, refer to the suggested routes below.

#### To reach Gimhae Airport:

Route I: From overseas → Gimhae Airport (Busan) (Strongly recommended).
Route II: From overseas → Incheon Int'l Airport (Seoul) → Gimhae Airport (Busan).
Route III: From overseas → Incheon Int'l Airport (Seoul) → Gimpo Airport (Seoul) → Gimhae Airport (Busan).

#### Route I: Non-stop Int'l Flight to Gimhae Airport (Busan)

Most of international flights toward Gimhae Airport come from main Asian cities such as Tokyo, Beijing, and Manila, etc. If you need information on direct flights to Gimhae Airport, please visit the <u>Gimhae Airport</u> website (<u>http://www.airport.co.kr/eng/dba/airport/gimhae/index.htm</u>).

## Route II: Incheon Int'l Airport (Seoul) to Gimhae Airport (Busan)

The domestic flights directly from Incheon Int'l Airport to Gimhae Airport are limited, and the Limousine Bus takes about 1 (one) hour from the first airport to the second. Please, refer to the following timetable for your flight scheduling. This information is subject to change without notice. For the latest information, please visit the <u>Incheon</u> Int'l Airport website (<u>http://www.airport.or.kr/Eng/home.jsp</u>).

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At the Incheon Int'l Airport Arrival Floor (2F), please get out of the Arrival Gate after immigration. Then, move to the 1st floor to collect your baggage, and go through customs inspection. At the domestic transfer counter on the 1st floor, check-in and consign your baggage after the customs check. To board a domestic plane, please go to the 3rd floor and kindly check the Departure Gate.

As only Korean Air has its own transfer passage in Incheon Int'l Airport, you can easily transfer in case of using Korean Air flights.

#### Route III: Incheon Int'l Airport (Seoul) to Gimhae Airport (Busan) via Gimpo Airport (Seoul)

Another way to get to Gimhae Airport is to pass through the Gimpo Airport. Please, keep in mind that Gimpo Airport is located in Seoul.

Please, buy the Limousine Bus ticket at the airport reception desks (fare: 6,000 won) and then, take the Limousine Bus for Gimpo Airport at the bus stop 4B and 11A in front of Gate 4, 11 on the  $1^{st}$  floor. The bus ride to Gimpo Airport takes about 40 minutes and it runs from 04:50 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. every 10 –20 minutes.

At Gimpo Airport, you can transfer to Gimhae Airport, your final destination. Domestic flights from Seoul to Busan are frequently flown, and the flight time is around 1 (one) hour. For more information, please visit the <u>Gimpo</u> <u>Airport</u> website (<u>http://www.airport.co.kr/eng/index.asp</u>).

## From Gimhae Airport to Hotel Lotte

Upon arrival at Gimhae Airport <u>on Sep. 6</u>, please look for the panel "AWF", where you will find TTA staff. (It's very small airport, so it's not difficult to find TTA staff). He will distribute the Limousine Bus ride ticket to Hotel Lotte (Seomyeon). If you arrive before or after Sep. 6, then you will be responsible for purchasing the one-way Limousine Bus ticket (fare: 4,500 won). KAL Limousine Bus runs every 25 minutes from 7:25 a.m. to 9:55 p.m.

Or you can take a taxi. Average cab fare from Gimhae Airport to Hotel Lotte is approximately 16,000 won in a regular taxi, but it may cost more depending on the traffic during rush hours. Please, note that there is an additional taxi charge of 20% from midnight to 4 a.m.

#### Insurance

All the participants are required to make the necessary arrangements for insurance and medical coverage before travel. Due to procedural difficulties and budgetary constraints, APT and MIC are not able to bear the medical expenses or any other expenses incurred during the meeting.

## **Practical Information**

#### **About Busan**

Busan, the second largest city in Korea with 4 million residents, is situated on the southeastern tip of the Korean peninsula. The natural environment of Busan is a perfect example of harmony between mountains, rivers, and the sea. The port city boasts four distinct seasons and a temperate climate that neither gets too hot nor too cold.

Also, Busan handles a lot of reefers due to its deep harbor and gentle tides. Tourists can enjoy its beautiful beaches with golden sand such as Haeundae, Gwanghanli and islets along the seashore. There are gourmet seafood restaurants, which you can visit for your culinary delight.

In the harbor city, you can enjoy sightseeing from several beaches and islets along the seashore to shopping streets and open markets, where various kinds of products are sold.

To get more detailed information on Busan, please visit the <u>Busan Culture & Tourism Info</u> website (<u>http://www.visit.busan.kr/eng/</u>).

#### **Banks and Currency**

Banking hours are from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on a weekday.

The unit of Korean currency is the won. The exchange rate as of May 18, 2004 is roughly 1,205 won to US\$1. Credit cards, including VISA, American Express, Diners Club, Master Card and JCB, are accepted at major hotels, department stores and larger restaurants.

#### Weather

As Busan is a seaside city, average summer temperature ranges 22°C-26°C and humidity is 60-70%. But, the sea wind blows the heat away in late summer. For the current weather, please visit the Korea Meteorological Administration website (http://www.kma.go.kr/kmas/kma/english/main.html).

#### **Time Zone**

GMT + 9 hours.

#### Wireless LAN

Internet access is available by wireless LAN at all conference halls.

#### Voltage

220V in meeting rooms Please, be sure you have the right adapter.

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