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HANDBOOK

Welcome to VIASM!

For your convenience during your stay, please read the following information:

AIRPORT TRANSFERS

Noi Bai International Airport in Hanoi is the largest airport in the north of the country. It is 35 km from the city centre, and the travel time to or from the city centre is approximately 45 minutes (1hour in peak times). Various transportation services, including public taxis, minibus and public buses, are available to Hanoi Noi Bai Airport arrivals level.

1. VIASM pick-up

We will organize bus transportation to the hotel reserved by the organizers. In such a case, person who is responsible to meet you at the airport will bring a board with the title “**ICTP2017**”. Thus, after arriving and getting out the Customs’ Checking Area, please look for the board and follow his instruction.

SƠ ĐỒ TẦNG 1 1st Floor

NOI BAI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT : INTERNATIONAL ARRIVAL PASSENGERS



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Arrival Passenger Flow | Kiểm tra hải quan
Customs | Nhà hàng
Restaurant | Ngân hàng
Bank | Vệ sinh
Toilet |
| Khu vực trả hành lý
Baggage claim | Cửa hàng miễn thuế
Duty free | Quầy thông tin
Information | Y tế
First Aids | Thang cuốn
Escalator |

We will arrange a shuttle bus to take you from the hotel to the airport in a specific time frame. For more details, please email to Ms. Le Thi Lan Anh - the local secretariat.

2. Public Taxi

Taxi fare is charged according to taxi meter. Taxi ride to the city center costs approximately US\$ 16 –18 (350,000 - 400,000 VND) (independently which hotel you will go to). Taxi service is provided for all flights of the days, including weekends and holidays.

You should choose one of these taxi firms (other taxis could be cheaper and also safe):

- **Airport Taxi:** (844) 3886 6666
- **Noi Bai Airport Taxi:** (844) 38868888
- **Mai Linh Taxi:** (84 – 4) 38222666

You can also choose these taxis to the airport when you are leaving Hanoi. Taxi from the city center to the airport costs approximately US\$12 – 14 (250,000 – 300,000 VND)

3. Bus

Passenger can pick up and drop off [express bus No. 86](#) at both Terminal 1 and Terminal 2.

From the airport to the centre of Hanoi, it departs Terminal T2 and Terminal T1 and arrives at the Hanoi Railway Station (Le Duan street) and vice versa from Hanoi center to the airport.

The bus route operates from 06:18 to 22:58 from Noi Bai International Airport and from 05:05 to 21:40 from the Hanoi Railway Station. A full journey lasts 50-55 minutes, at a cost of 30,000 VND per ride. No pre-booking is required.

ACCOMODATION

A room has been reserved under your name at:

HOA HONG HOTEL (92 Xã Đàn (250 Đào Duy Anh)- Đống Đa - Hà Nội.)



The distance between the hotel and VIASM is about 1 km. From the airport, you can take the bus No. 86, get off at Hanoi Railway Station and hail a taxi to the hotel. It takes about 10 minutes for the distance of 2 km.

* Website: <http://www.khachsanhoahong.vn/>

* The hotel room rate includes breakfast, wireless.

* Check-in: after 12h, check-out: before 12h

The room rate from December 10 to December 23 will be paid by VIASM. Please pay by yourself for other nights at the hotel or personal expenses such as telephone charges, laundry...and other services.

Participants receiving financial support will stay at Hoa Hong Hotel. In most cases, you will have a roommate. We try to mix people from different countries, so that our participants get to meet new people!

VIASM MAP

VIASM is located at 7th floor, Ta Quang Buu Library building, Hanoi University of Science and Technology (HUST), 1 Dai Co Viet, Hanoi, Vietnam.

VIASM's address in Vietnamese (for showing taxi driver) as follows:

Viện Nghiên cứu cao cấp về Toán: Tầng 7 thư viện Tạ Quang Bửu, Đại học Bách Khoa Hà Nội – số 1 Đại Cồ Việt, Hà Nội (công đường Trần Đại Nghĩa)



There are several ways to get there from the hotel:

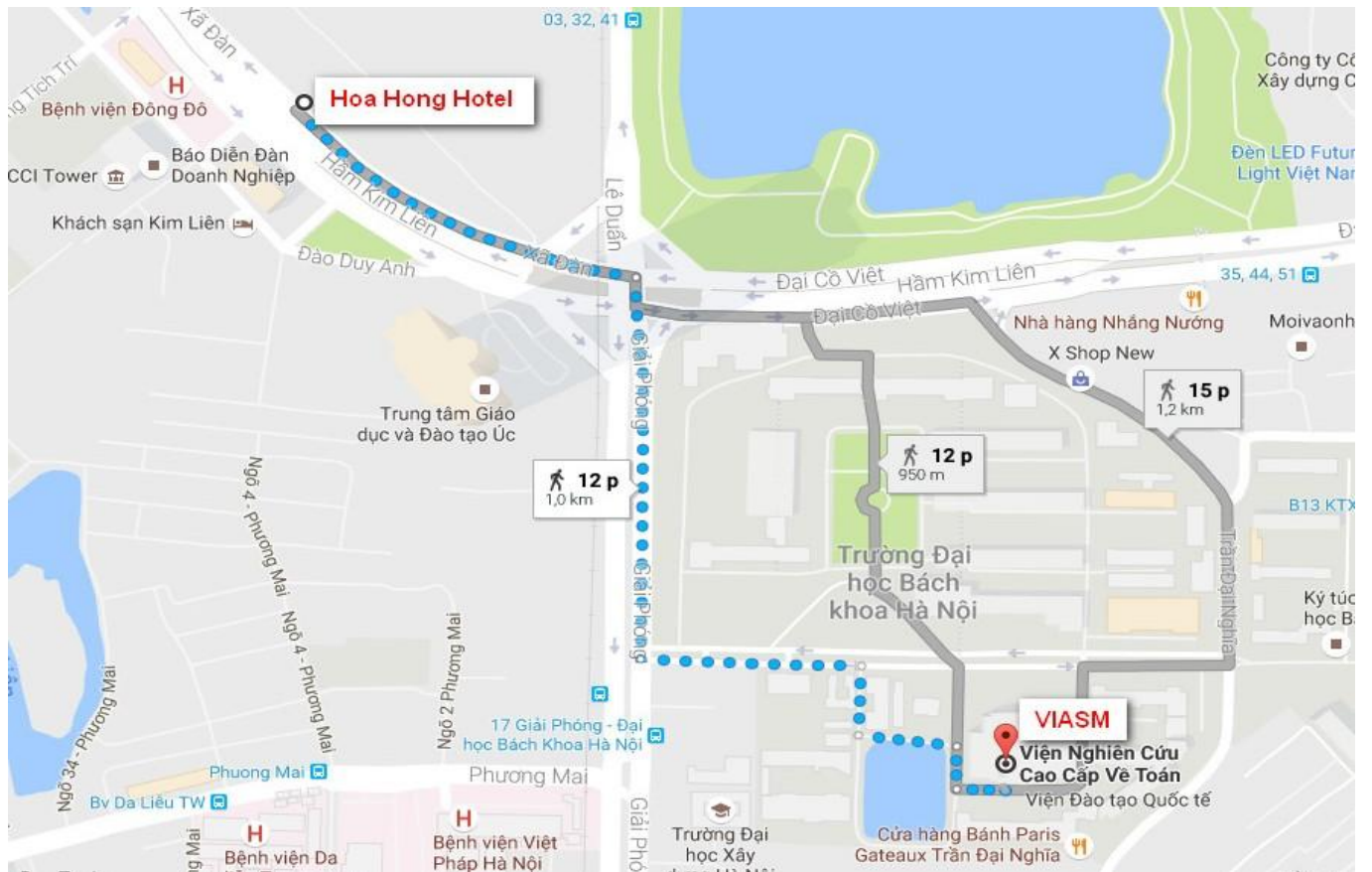
* *Take a taxi to Tran Dai Nghia street*

From Kim Liên, Xã Đàn street: please attention NOT to go through the tunnel. You should go on the ground on the right way of the tunnel, pass the Giải Phóng – Đại Cồ Việt intersection with traffic lights, continue passing the main gate of HUST then turn right into Trần Đại Nghĩa street. Keep going about 350m you can see the gate of HUST on the right side.

* *Walk across Xa Dan street*

From the hotel, you walk along Xa Dan street, turn right at the Giải Phóng – Đại Cồ Việt intersection with traffic light. Cross Giải Phóng street and get into Parabol Gate of Hanoi University of Science and Technology (opposite to the bus-stop). Walk straight to Ta Quang Buu Library building. The building is on the right.

You can refer to the following map:



WORKING AT VIASM

1. Working time

The building opens from 6:00 to 21:00 weekdays.

VIASM working hours are from 7:45 to 16:45 on weekdays .

2. Registration

+ Registration will be on Monday, December 11 from 9:30 to 10:30 at VIASM. At check-in, you will receive a name badge, a conference pouch and lunch cards.

+ Lunch will be served from December 11 to December 22 at the 3rd Floor of D2A building, in HUST campus. Please let us know if you have special request about meals so that we could arrange in advance.

3. Contact numbers:

Mr. Nguyen Ngoc Tuan – Office Manager: at room B6 or + 84 949.877.168

Ms. Le Thi Lan Anh – Secretary: at the reception area or +84 979.074.911
(ltnanh@viasm.edu.vn)

USEFUL INFORMATION

1. Currency and Banking facilities

Vietnamese currency is Vietnamese Dong (VND). There are nine denominations of bills from VND 1,000 to VND 500,000.

Approximate exchange rate: 1US\$»22,500VND and 1EUR»24,300VND. You can sometimes pay in US dollars or Euros in Vietnam (but it is not recommended). The widely accepted credit cards in Vietnam are Visa, Master card and American Express.

Foreign currency can be exchanged into Dong at the airport or at any bank in the city. However, in general, by our rule, you can hardly exchange from VND back to foreign currency in a bank. Thus, please only exchange an amount enough for the duration of your stay.

Obtaining cash against ATM or credit cards is very easy from the ATM cash machines that can be found at almost each bank office, hotel or on the street.

2. Prepaid SIM card

You can buy a card at the airport or at any SIM card stores of many places in Hanoi. It usually costs around 50,000 VND to 70,000 VND (~USD2). It is available everywhere with MobiFone, Viettel and Vinaphone as the most popular brands.

3. Weather

The average temperature is between 19 and 24 Degree Celsius during the day. Please keep in mind that rain can come suddenly in Hanoi. Be aware that the weather can become very cold during rainy days due to the effect of the monsoon. So, having a thin coat would be useful in some situations.

4. Meal:

Meal-cost in Vietnam may vary from 30.000 VND to 300.000 VND.

You can reserve a dinner at Hoa Hong hotel (meal-cost varies from 70,000 VND).

There are also many restaurants near the hotel or VIASM that you can find on [Tripadvisor](#) or follow the Vietnamese participants.

We would suggest you some restaurants which serve delicious traditional Vietnamese dishes:

- *Chim Sao Restaurant*: 65 Ngõ Huế, Hai Bà Trưng District, Hanoi (<http://chimsao.com/>)

- *Quán Ăn Ngon Restaurant*: 18 Phan Boi Chau, Hoan Kiem District, Hanoi (<http://ngonhanoi.com.vn>)

- *Truc Lam Trai Restaurant (serve vegetarian food)*: 39 Le Ngoc Han, Hai Ba Trung District (at Tran Xuan Soan and Hoa Ma), Hanoi, Vietnam (<http://truclamtrai.com>)

- *Madame Hien*: 15 Chan Cam, Hanoi (French-Vietnamese cuisine in a French antique building of old Spanish Embassy).

5. Travel inside the city:

a) Crossing the streets:

Rules: Never run, go backward, or make any sudden movement. Walk slowly and stop if you feel not safe.

b) Taxi

Fees of meter taxi are 12 000 – 18 000 VND/km (depending on car quality). Most of taxies are safe. Very rarely, but sometimes you could get a faked taxi or a bad driver who will ask you to overpay. In this case, do not pay that huge amount. We recommend the following taxi brands:

- Mai Linh Taxi: (84 - 4) 38.616.161 – (84 - 4) 38.333.333
- Taxi Group (84 - 4) 38535353 – (84 - 4) 38262626
- Ba Sao Taxi: (84 - 4) 32 32 32 32

6. Sights in Hanoi

For more information, please visit <http://www.lonelyplanet.com/vietnam/hanoi/sights>

- Hoan Kiem Lake
- Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum
- Hoa Lo Prison Museum
- Vietnam Museum of Ethnology
- Temple of Literature
- National Museum of Vietnamese History

7. Safety information

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Wish you have a good time during your stay at VIASM!