

Meeting of the Expert Team on Operational Prediction from Sub-seasonal to Longer-time Scales

(Beijing, 11 to 15 April 2016)

LOCAL INFORMATION

◆ General

The Meeting of the Expert Team on Operational Prediction from Sub-seasonal to Longer-time Scales will be held at:

CMA Conference Center

No. 46, Zhongguancun Nandajie,

Beijing 100081, China.

Please see a local map at the end page of the announcement.

◆ Hotel Information

The following hotels nearby CMA are recommended. BCC may help to make reservation upon request.



Shenzhou International Hotel

Check-out time: 14:00

Address: 31 Zhongguancun Nandajie, Beijing, China

Postal code: 100081

Tel: +86-10-68118888

<http://www.bbinn.com.cn>

Price for single or standard room: 550RMB per night including one breakfast



Beijing Hubei Hotel

Check-out time: 12 Noon

Address: No. 36 South Street Zhongguancun, Beijing, China

Postal code: 100081

Tel: 86-10-62172288

<http://www.bjhbds.com.cn/>

Price for standard room: 535RMB per night including one breakfast

The Chinese Characters of Shenzhou International Hotel is written as 神州国际酒店, Beijing Hubei Hotel is written as 北京湖北大厦. You may find them at the center of the map below.



◆ **Local Transportation**

Beijing Capital International Airport is located in northeast of Beijing, capital of People's Republic of China, and about 25km from the Tiananmen Square.

The Chinese Government advocates energy saving and low carbon life. All participants are requested to make their own way to the hotel.

Please keep the invoice of taxi fee for reimbursement.

Taxi: Taxi is convenient at the airport. Depending on traffic conditions, it takes about 40 minutes from the airport to Shenzhou International Hotel and Hubei Hotel. The charge is around 150 CNY (US\$25), including the 10 CNY highway toll.

Subway: Subway is also a good choice if you take small luggage only. You may take the subway from the airport and change to Line 2 from Dongzhimen Station, and change to Line 4 from Xizhimen Station, then get off from National Libratory Station. Within 2-mins walk, you can get to the Shenzhou International Hotel or Hubei Hotel. The charge is 25+4 CNY

◆ **Time zone**

In relation to Greenwich, Beijing is +8 hours.

◆ **Electricity, Internet and E-mail**

The electrical voltage in China is 220V. Internet and E-mail are accessible for participants in Shenzhou International Hotel and Shenzhou B&B Inn by broadband or telephone line. Internet and Email accession are also available at the conference venue.

◆ **Reconfirmation of airline ticket reservations**

Please contact the front desk or business center of the Hotels if your need to call to reconfirm your airline ticket, or contact Local Organizing Committee (LOC) members to ask for help during the meeting.

◆ **Social events**

The conference reception hosted by BCC/CMA will be held at 18:00pm in April 23, 2013. All

participants and their accompanying persons are invited to join the reception.

◆ **Weather**

Beijing has a continental climate with clearly defined seasons. The weather in Beijing during the conference will be fairly pleasant, but it is generally dry and can be occasional windy. The average temperature is about 14.2°C. The mean maximum is 20°C and minimum 7°C. The average precipitation during April is 21.4 mm with 4.6 days of rain.

◆ **Medical care and insurance**

The conference secretariat will be on duty all day during the conference. Please contact the Secretariat or LOC members for first aid or medical care services. The medical fee should be borne by the patient.

Participants are strongly advised to arrange their own overseas travel insurance.

◆ **Identity badge**

During the meeting, all delegates and their accompanying persons are kindly requested to wear the identity badge. The badge serves as a pass for meetings.

If participants have any questions, please contact the LOC members who are identified by their red badges.

◆ **Currency exchange**

The official currency in China is CNY (Chinese Yuan). Currency exchange centers can be found at airport, local banks. The currency exchange service also can be provided at a Branch of Bank of China, which is close to the Hotels.

Travelers' checks are not widely used in China and are accepted only by major banks and some hotels. The Bank of China will cash your traveler check. The exchange rate for US\$ and EURO fluctuate with time. Recent examples are:

US\$ to RMB: around 100: 651.30

EURO to RMB: around 100: 723.97

◆ **Visa Application**

Visas are required to enter to China. It may take some time to process the visa; therefore, you are encouraged to begin the visa application as soon as possible. The Visa fee should be covered by yourself and will not be reimbursed.

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