ICAO REGIONAL WORKSHOP ON AIRPORT PAVEMENT - DESIGN & EVALUATION

04-06 March 2015

WORKSHOP BULLETIN

1. Workshop Venue

The ICAO Regional Workshop on Airport Pavement – Design & Evaluation will be held at Macao Science Center from 04 to 06 March 2015.

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Website: http://www.msc.org.mo/en/index.php

Location Map: http://g.co/maps/k7cht



2. Workshop Information

The workshop information, including the programme, will be posted on the host administration website www.aacm.gov.mo and updated from time to time. It is advisable that you browse through the website regularly to get the updates.

3. On-site Registration

The opening session will start at 09:00 and registration will commence at 08:30 on the first day. A registration desk will be set outside the convention hall. Participants are requested to arrive at the convention facilities in time to register. Participants are also requested to wear the identification badge for all activities during the meeting.

4. Hotel Reservation

Please refer to the Hotel Information for details.

5. Transfer Service

Participants should make their own transportation arrangement upon arrival in and departure from Macao. Most of the hotels run their transfer service to and from the checkpoints. Public transportation is easily accessible at the checkpoints and the hotels.

The host administration will arrange the transfer service between the recommended hotels and the meeting venue for the participants every morning and afternoon on the workshop dates. The transfer service schedule will be posted on the host administration website and emailed to all participants in due course.

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6. Officer and Secretariat concerned with the Meeting

Participants should complete the Nomination Form and return it to ICAO Asia and Pacific Office through e-mail: apac@icao.int, with a copy to the host administration at pavement@aacm.gov.mo, at the earliest convenience.

Presentation papers or PPTs should be submitted to Mr. Natarajan Sekhar, Regional Officer of ICAO Asia and Pacific Office at nsekhar@icao.int.

For enquiries about the administration or logistics support of the meeting, you may direct them to the host administration:

Secretariat, Civil Aviation Authority, Macao China

Email: pavement@aacm.gov.mo

Fax: +853-2833 8089

7. Meeting CDs

The host administration will produce the meeting CDs which will contain the papers and the photos of the event. The CDs will be distributed to the participants before the meeting is concluded.

8. Travel to Macao

8.1. By Plane

Macau International Airport, located on Taipa Island and operates 24 hours a day, provides direct flights to a number of destinations in Asia. It normally takes 20 to 30 minutes from the airport to the meeting venue.

For information on the cities linking Macao and their respective flight schedules, please go to Macau International Airport website at http://www.macau-airport.com.

8.2. By Ferry (between Macao and Hong Kong)

TurboJET and The Cotai Strip CotaiJet[™] run the one-hour ferry service between Macao and Hong Kong. In addition, they run the airport ferry services between the ferry terminals in Macao and Hong Kong International Airport. For the

ticket prices and ferry schedules, please find the details in the websites listed below:

Operator	Routes
TurboJET	Route 1:
www.turbojet.com.hk	Between Macau Ferry Terminal and Hong Kong-
	Macau Ferry Terminal at Shun Tak Centre in Hong
	Kong;
	Route 2:
	Between Macau Ferry Terminal and Hong Kong
	International Airport
The Cotai Strip CotaiJet™	Route 1:
www.cotaijet.com.mo	Between Macau Ferry Terminal and Hong Kong-
	Macau Ferry Terminal at Shun Tak Centre in Hong
	Kong;
	Route 2:
	Between Taipa Temporary Ferry Terminal in Macao
	and Hong Kong-Macau Ferry Terminal at Shun Tak
	Centre in Hong Kong;
	Route 3:
	Between Macau Ferry Terminal and Hong Kong
	International Airport

8.3. By Helicopter (between Macao and Hong Kong)

Sky Shuttle operates helicopter service between Macau Ferry Terminal and Hong Kong-Macau Ferry Terminal at Shun Tak Centre in Hong Kong. Each flight takes 15 minutes and departs every 30 minutes between 09:00 and 23:00hours.

It also provides 12 daily helicopter shuttle flights between Macau Ferry Terminal and Shenzhen Baoan International Airport in Mainland China. The flight duration is approximately 15 minutes in the daytime and 25 minutes at night.

For flight details, please visit their website www.skyshuttlehk.com.

9. Passport or Visa

For entry into Macao, all visitors must hold a passport valid for at least 6 months or other valid travel documents. To check whether you are required to obtain a visa to

Macao, the length of stay in Macao as well as the customs formalities, please visit the website of the Macao Public Security Police Force at http://www.fsm.gov.mo/psp/eng/Service Imm.html

Please take note that residents of certain countries must obtain a visa prior to entry into Macao. Therefore, please go through the immigration requirements in the above link in details. If you need a visa, you may obtain it in the Chinese Embassy or Consulate in your place. Visa for entry into China cannot be used for entry into Macao. Please indicate clearly in the visa application form that your destination is Macao Special Administrative Region or consult the Chinese Embassy or Consulate about how the form should be correctly filled out for the Macao visa.

For those who travel to Macao via Hong Kong, please take note that this travel route requires your entry into Hong Kong for two times: the first time upon your arrival via Hong Kong to Macao, and the second time upon your departure from Macao to Hong Kong. If you are required to obtain a visa to Hong Kong, please obtain a multiple entry visa to assure that you are allowed entry into Hong Kong for both times. The visa requirements for entry into Hong Kong can be viewed at the website of the Immigration Department of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region at http://www.immd.gov.hk/en/services/index.html

Whether you are flying to Macao directly or whether you are arriving via Hong Kong, it is advisable that you obtain the visa prior to your departure from your place and allow adequate time for the visa application.

[Important note] If you require a letter of invitation or acceptance from the host administration to help facilitate your visa application, please inform the host administration at least two weeks before your arrival so that there is enough time to deliver the letter to your place.

10. Other Useful information about Macao

10.1 Currency, Credit Cards and Banking Services

10.1.1 The Macao Pataca (MOP) is the official local currency. Chinese Ren MinBi and Hong Kong Dollar are widely accepted in Macao. MOP8.00 is approximately about USD1.00.

- 10.1.2 International credit cards such as American Express, Visa and Master are widely accepted at major hotels, department stores and restaurants.
- 10.1.3 All commercial banks exchange major foreign currencies and are normally open from 09:00 to 17:00hours from Monday to Friday.

10.2 Time

The time in Macao is 8 hours ahead of Coordinated Universal Time (UTC + 8).

10.3 Climate

The weather of Macao is in general subtropical to temperate. It is humid and rainy in spring and summer whereas in autumn and winter the relative humidity and rainfall drop. The annual average temperature is about 22.6°C (72.68°F) and ranges from 20.3°C (68.54°F) to 25.6°C (78.08°F).

A mean temperature of 27.6°C (81.68°F) was recorded in June in the past years.

10.4 Tap Water and Electricity

Macao's water is supplied majorly from Mainland China and is purified. Chlorine is added for extra protection. Distilled drinking water is supplied in all hotel rooms and in restaurants.

10.5 Electricity

Voltage in Macao is at 220V, AC 50Hz. The British 3-pin rectangular adapter plug (Type G) is commonly used in Macao.



10.6 Weights and Measures

Macao follows the metric system in weights and measures.

10.7 Telephone Service

Mobile phone networks in Macao are GSM900/1800, CDMA and WCDMA.

Public phones that are used with phone cards (at cost of MOP\$50.00, MOP\$100.00 or MOP\$150.00) and coins are located all around the city.

The telephone area code is +853.

10.8 Internet

Internet services are available in most hotels. Free wireless internet, known as "WiFi Go", is also available in public facilities and tourists spots in Macao.

10.9 Medical Services

In case of emergency, there are 24-hour emergency services in the government hospital, the private hospital and the public health centres.

10.10 Other Information

- 10.10.1 Macao has become a Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China since 20 December 1999. It is located in Guangdong Province, on the southeast coast of China to the western bank of the Pearl River Delta and 60km from Hong Kong and 145 km from the city of Guangzhou.
- 10.10.2 Macao has an area of 29.9 sq. km, comprised of the Macao Peninsula (with 9.3 sq. km and connected to Mainland China), the islands of Taipa (7.4 sq. km) and Coloane (7.6 sq. km) and the reclaimed area COTAI (5.6 sq. km).

- 10.10.3 The total population of Macao was 607,500 in 2013. About 94% are ethnic Chinese from different provinces, namely Guangdong and Fujian. The remaining 6% include Portuguese and other nationalities
- 10.10.4 Chinese and Portuguese are the two official languages. Cantonese is the predominant Chinese dialect. English is also widely spoken.
- 10.10.5 There is complete freedom of worship in Macao. The main religions are Buddhism, Catholicism and Protestantism.

Data sources:

- ElectricalOutlet.org: http://electricaloutlet.org/
- Macao Economic Services: www.economia.gov.mo
- Macao Meteorological and Geophysical Bureau: http://www.smg.gov.mo
- Macao Public Security Police force: http://www.fsm.gov.mo/psp/eng/main.html
- Macau Government Tourist Office: <u>www.macautourism.gov.mo</u>
- Statistics and Census Service, Macao SAR Government: http://www.dsec.gov.mo
- The Historic Centre of Macao: <u>www.macauheritage.net</u>