



# ITU Centres of Excellence Network for Asia-Pacific China Academy of Information and Communications Technology Face-to-face Training Course on

"ICT Applications relating to Smart City!

Guangzhou, China 21-24 September 2019

### **INFORMATION NOTE**

### 1. INTRODUCTION

The training course is designed to enhance strategic understanding of participants on smart city development trends. It will also enable participants to build knowledge about current ICT technologies and applications relating to smart city.

The training course aims to cover the following:

- To build knowledge to participants with smart city development trends;
- To build knowledge about latest technology trends and application in relation to smart city;
- Field tour on smart city

# 2. VENUE OF THE TRAINING

YINGBIN HOTEL, GUANGZHOU

Add: No. 603, Jiefang North Road, Yuexiu District, Guangzhou, Guangdong, China

Tel: +86 (0)20 83332950

### 3. COORDINATORS

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### 4. ON-SITE REGISTRATION AND WORKING HOURS

Venue: YINGBIN HOTEL, GUANGZHOU

Dates: September 21, 2019

Time: 09:00-9:30

### 5. VISA FORMALITIES

It is the responsibility of each participants to have a valid passport and the appropriate visa to China. Passports must be valid for at least 6 months beyond the date of departure from China and must have sufficient pages for visa stamps. Please contact your local Chinese embassy or consulate or refer to http://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/for more information regarding Chinese visas.

### 6. ACCOMMODATION

The organizer could help participants in booking the hotel. However, participants are requested to send the accommodation form (Annex 4) before 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2019 via e-mail if participants need assistance from organizers to book the hotel.

### 7. LIST OF PROPOSED HOTELS

YINGBIN HOTEL

Web: http://www.yingbinhotel.cn/en/

Tel: 86 2083332950

Add: No. 603, Jiefang North Road, Yuexiu District, Guangzhou, Guangdong, China

### 8. DETAILS OF ARRIVAL AND TRANSPORT

Participants will arrive at Guangzhou Baiyun International Airport by international flights and can take one of the following transportations to reach the hotel.

Taxi: The fare is about RMB130 (30KM, 42 minutes)

Subway: Take Metro Line 3 at Aiport to JiaHeWangGang Station, transfer to Metro Line 2 get off at GongYuanQian exit from Gate B1, head to the hotel (500m).

### 9. CURRENCY

The official currency of China is RENMINBI (RMB). As retailers generally do not accept other currencies, it is necessary for visitors to change foreign currency into RMB in order to make cash payments.

ATMs are widely available in Guangzhou and can only be used to withdraw RMB.

Foreign currency can be exchanged at the airport or banks in the city. Although some hotels do offer currency exchange services for guests, they often lack favorable rates and only deal with select currencies.

The exchange rate as of May 14, 2019 is USD1 = RMB6.8.

The normal banking hours in China is between 9:00 am to 17:00 pm, from Monday to Friday.

Major credit cards such as MasterCard, Visa, American Express and JBC are generally accepted in China.

### 10. ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES

The standard electricity supply in China is 220 volts AC, 50Hz. Delegates are advised to bring along converters or adaptor for compatibility with the standard socket in China as shown below.



### 11. LANGUAGES

English will be used as the working language for all events.

### 12. SECURITY

Living in Guangzhou is quite safe. However, participants are advised to be vigilant and make sure that they have the receipt when taking a taxi in case leaving things in the car.

### 13. MEDICAL AND HEALTH

Participants are requested to have their medical insurance valid during the stay in China. The medical emergency call is 120/999. Please contact the local secretariat if you need go to hospital.

Generally, the water in hotels is not drinkable.

# 14. WEATHER

September in GUANGZHOU is influenced by subtropical monsoon climate. When you travel to GUANGZHOU China in September you can usually expect sunshine with occasional thunderstorm and typhoon. In general, participants can expect hot weather. The range of mean daytime temperatures is around 24°C and 32°C.

### 15. INTERNET

Internet can be accessed in the hotel and event venue.