



APPSPGHAN2009

"Tradition, Evolution, and Harmony for Healthy Children"



11th Congress of the **Asian Pan-Pacific**
Society of Pediatric Gastroenterology,
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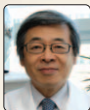
September 25-28, 2009

Sheraton Grande Walkerhill Hotel, Seoul, Korea

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Greetings from President of APPSPGHAN 2009



On behalf of the organizing committee, I am very pleased to invite you to the 11th Congress of the Asian Pan-Pacific Society of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition (APPSPGHAN 2009) in Seoul, Korea on September 25-28, 2009. Following the last congress in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, we look forward to welcoming you to Seoul, Korea for a successful APPSPGHAN meeting in 2009.

Under the theme of "Tradition, Evolution and Harmony for Healthy Children", APPSPGHAN2009 will facilitate among fellows and congress delegates, as many Pediatricians, Gastroenterologists, Hepatologists, Nutritionists and Public Health Specialists are expected to attend from all around the world.

We look forward to meeting you in autumn in Seoul and believe APPSPGHAN2009 will be a memorable occasion for the fruitful interchange of ideas and the development of long-lasting friendship in the coming years.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeong-Kee Seo'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Jeong-Kee Seo, M.D.

President of the APPSPGHAN2009



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	Mei-Hwei Chang	(Taiwan)
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Program at a Glance

	September 25 (Fri)	September 26 (Sat)	September 27 (Sun)	September 28 (Mon)
08:30		Plenary Session 2	Plenary Session 7	Plenary Session 11
09:00				
09:30		Symposium 3 Symposium 4	Symposium 7 Symposium 8	Symposium 11 Symposium 12
10:00				
10:30		Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break
11:00	Registration (11:00-18:00)	Plenary Session 3	Plenary Session 8	Registration (07:30-12:30) Poster Display & Exhibition
11:30		Plenary Session 4	State-of-the-art Lecture	
12:00		Luncheon Symposium & Poster Display	Luncheon Symposium & Poster Display	
12:30				
13:00		Plenary Session 5	Plenary Session 9	Parallel Sessions
13:30		Plenary Session 6	Plenary Session 10	Closing
14:00		Coffee Break	Coffee Break	
14:30	Symposium 1	Symposium 5 Symposium 6	Symposium 9 Symposium 10	
15:00	Coffee Break			
15:30	Symposium 2	Parallel Sessions	Parallel Sessions	
16:00				
16:30	Plenary Session 1			
17:00				
17:30				
18:00				
18:30				
19:00	Opening Ceremony & Welcome Reception	Satellite Symposium	Gala Dinner	
19:30				
20:00				
20:30				



Invited Speakers

Christopher Boey	(Malaysia)	Neelam Mohan	(India)
Mei-Hwei Chang	(Taiwan)	Yen-Hsuan Ni	(Taiwan)
Walter Chen	(Taiwan)	Yoo Kyoung Park	(Korea)
Geoffrey J. Cleghorn	(Australia)	Yong Poovorawan	(Thailand)
Anil Dhawan	(United Kingdom)	Seng Hock Quak	(Singapore)
Michael Fenech	(Australia)	Ram Reifen	(Israel)
Victor L. Fox	(United States)	Ernest G. Seidman	(Canada)
Tomoo Fujisawa	(Japan)	Jeong-Kee Seo	(Korea)
Mitsuhiko Hara	(Japan)	Raanan Shamir	(Israel)
Eric Hassall	(Canada)	Yoon Shin-Podskarbi	(Germany)
Ralf Heine	(Australia)	Anupam Sibal	(India)
Paul Kilgore	(United States)	Yvan Vandenplas	(Belgium)
Jong Won Kim	(Korea)	Boosba Vivatvakin	(Thailand)
Woo Sun Kim	(Korea)	W. Allan Walker	(United states)
Sung-Gyu Lee	(Korea)	Jian She Wang	(China)
Akira Matsui	(Japan)	Harland S. Winter	(United States)
Iqbal A. Memon	(Pakistan)	Yuichiro Yamashiro	(Japan)
Russell James Merritt	(United States)		

※ Alphabetically ordered by last name



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Scientific Programs

Friday, September 25

14:00-15:30 Symposium 1 Implementation of Medical Nutrition in Pediatrics

Complementary Feeding

Raanan Shamir (Israel)

Genome Health Nutrigenomics and Genome Health Clinics

Michael Fenech (Australia)

Evidence-based Nutrition Practice Guidelines for GI Disorders

Yoo Kyoung Park (Korea)

15:30-16:00 Coffee Break

16:00-17:30 Symposium 2 Current Issues in Infants and Toddler Nutrition

Bacterial Colonization, Probiotics and Necrotizing Enterocolitis

W. Allan Walker (United States)

Dietary Approaches to the Prevention of Food Allergy

Ralf Heine (Australia)

Failure to Thrive in Infants and Toddlers

Yuichiro Yamashiro (Japan)

17:30-18:00 Plenary Lecture 1

Vitamin A beyond Vision

Ram Reifen (Israel)

18:30-20:30 Opening Ceremony & Welcome Reception



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Saturday, September 26

08:30-09:00 Plenary Lecture 2

New Diagnostic Modalities for the Small Bowel Lesions

Ernest G. Seidman (Canada)

09:05-10:35 Symposium 3 Recent Updates in Pediatric Inflammatory Bowel Disease

Advances in Diagnosis of Pediatric IBD

Geoffrey J. Cleghorn (Australia)

Azathioprine and Biological Treatment: (an Update)

Ernest G. Seidman (Canada)

Nutritional Aspects in Pediatric IBD

Raanan Shamir (Israel)

09:05-10:35 Symposium 4 Food Allergy and Gastrointestinal Disease

Eosinophilic Esophagitis: Food Allergy or Peptic Disease?

Harland S. Winter (United States)

Food Allergy and Gastrointestinal Motility Disorders

Ralf Heine (Australia)

Allergic Colitis-Clinical and Endoscopic Aspects of Infants with Rectal Bleeding

Neelam Mohan (India)

10:35-11:00 Coffee Break

11:00-11:30 Plenary Lecture 3

Update on Wilson Disease in Children: Molecular Genetic Testing and Current Diagnostic Issues

Jeong-Kee Seo (Korea)

11:30-12:00 Plenary Lecture 4

Eosinophilic Gastrointestinal Disease

Yuichiro Yamashiro (Japan)

12:00-13:30 Luncheon Symposium and Poster Display



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13:30-14:00 Plenary Lecture 5

Genetics of Inflammatory Bowel Disease

Harland S. Winter (United States)

14:00-14:30 Plenary Lecture 6

Gastrointestinal Polyposis in Children

Victor L. Fox (United States)

14:30-15:00 Coffee Break

15:00-16:30 Symposium 5 Recent Updates in Viral Hepatitis in Children

Hepatitis A Virus Infection

Yong Poovorawan (Thailand)

Hepatitis B Virus Infection

Yen-Hsuan Ni (Taiwan)

Hepatitis C Virus Infection

Tomoo Fujisawa (Japan)

15:00-16:30 Symposium 6 Current Issues in Gastrointestinal Infection in Children

Epidemiology of Rotavirus Infection and Rotavirus Vaccine

Paul Kilgore (United States)

Current Issues of Enteric / Typhoid Fever in Children

Iqbal A. Memon (Pakistan)

Probiotics in the Management of Infectious Diarrhea

Boosba Vivatvakin (Thailand)

16:30-17:30 Parallel Sessions

18:30-20:00 Satellite Symposium



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Sunday, September 27

08:30-09:00 Plenary Lecture 7

Pediatric Gastrointestinal Endoscopy: Past, Present and Future

Geoffrey J. Cleghorn (Australia)

09:05-10:40 Symposium 7 Genetic and Metabolic Liver Disease

PFIC and Neonatal Cholestasis

Mei-Hwei Chang (Taiwan)

Tyrosinemia

Anupam Sibal (India)

Glycogen Storage Disease-Clinical, Biochemical and Molecular Heterogeneity

Yoon Shin-Podskarbi (Germany)

Citrin Deficiency from a Pediatric Hepatologist's Perspective

Jian She Wang (China)

09:05-10:35 Symposium 8 Recent Progress in the Diagnosis and Treatment of Pediatric Digestive Diseases

Imaging Diagnosis of Biliary Atresia

Woo Sun Kim (Korea)

Endoscopic Diagnosis and Management of GI Vascular Anomalies

Victor L. Fox (United States)

Progress in Molecular Genetic Diagnosis of Hereditary Diseases

Jong Won Kim (Korea)

10:35-11:00 Coffee Break

11:00-11:30 Plenary Lecture 8

Hepatitis B and Vaccination

Mei-Hwei Chang (Taiwan)

11:30-12:00 State-of-the-art Lecture

Intestinal Immune Health

W. Allan Walker (United States)

12:00-13:30 Luncheon Symposium and Poster Display



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13:30-14:00 Plenary Lecture 9

Atrophic Gastritis and Peptic Ulcer Disease as Complications of *H. pylori* Infection in Children

Eric Hassall (Canada)

14:00-14:30 Plenary Lecture 10

Hepatocyte Transplantation for Liver-Based Metabolic Disorders

Anil Dhawan (United Kingdom)

14:30-15:00 Coffee Break

15:00-16:30 Symposium 9 Functional Gastrointestinal Disorders

New Insights in Functional Abdominal Pain

Christopher Boey (Malaysia)

Evaluation and Treatment of Constipation in Children

Seng Hock Quak (Singapore)

Probiotics/Prebiotics in Functional and Gastrointestinal Disorders in Children

Yvan Vandenplas (Belgium)

15:00-16:30 Symposium 10 Long Term Nutritional Support and Problem Care; What's New?

Managing Liver Dysfunction in Parenteral Nutrition

Anil Dhawan (United Kingdom)

Nutritional Support in Liver Transplantation for End Stage Chronic Liver Disease

Neelam Mohan (India)

PEG for Long-Term Nutritional Management; Pediatric Indications and Complications

Victor L. Fox (United States)

16:30-17:30 Parallel Sessions

19:30-20:30 Gala Dinner



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Monday, September 28

08:30-09:00 Plenary Lecture 11

What's New in the Diagnosis and Treatment of Pediatric GERD

Yvan Vandenplas (Belgium)

09:05-10:40 Symposium 11 Liver Transplantation and Hepatic Failure in Children

Medical Management of Acute Liver Failure

Anil Dhawan (United Kingdom)

Pediatric Liver Transplantation-Expanding Indications and Improving Outcomes

Anupam Sibal (India)

Overview of Surgical Aspect of Liver Transplantation

Sung-Gyu Lee (Korea)

Posttransplantation Lymphoproliferative Disorders in Children-Prevention and Management

Akira Matsui (Japan)

09:05-10:35 Symposium 12 Childhood Obesity

Increasing Global Prevalence and Early Intervention

Walter Chen (Taiwan)

Pediatric Metabolic Syndrome and NASH

Mitsuhiko Hara (Japan)

Practical Strategies in the Management of Obesity

Seng Hock Quak (Singapore)

10:35-11:00 Coffee Break

10:00-12:00 Parallel Sessions

12:10-12:30 Closing



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Call for Abstracts

The Scientific Committee of APPSPGHAN2009 welcomes the submission of abstracts for oral and poster sessions. All abstracts presented at the meeting will be published in the meeting proceedings. Only On-line Abstract Submission is accepted at the APPSPGHAN2009 website after the on-line sign up. Accepted presenters must register as congress participants.

Important Dates (Extended)

- Abstract Submission & Revision
Deadline June 20, 2009
- Notification of Abstract Acceptance
..... July 31, 2009

Category for Abstract Submission

- Esophagus/ Stomach
- Intestine/ Colon
- Pancreas
- Motility/ Functional GI Disorders
- Hepatobiliary
- Nutrition
- Cellular/ Molecular Biology
- Miscellaneous

Submission Instruction

1. Prepare abstracts.
 - All abstracts must be written in English and less than **400** words.
 - Presenting & Corresponding authors' information including correct email addresses are required.
 - Abstracts details: Topic, Title, Keywords, Aim(s), Materials & Method, Results and Conclusions

2. Complete sign up.
3. Choose your topics & presentation preference.
4. Complete authors' information.
5. Complete the abstract details.

Acknowledgement of Abstract Submission

Once your abstract submission is completed, the Acknowledgement of Abstract Submission will be automatically sent to the person who signed up, presenter and corresponding author.

Abstract Revision

You may revise your abstract at **My Page** at the congress website after log in by **June 20, 2009**.

APPSPGHAN2009 Young Investigator Awards and Travel Grants

APPSPGHAN2009 Organizing Committee has established the Young Investigator Awards and Travel Grants. The prize will be USD 500 for the Young Investigator Awards and USD 250 for the Travel Grants.

Anyone interested may apply for the Young Investigator Awards and Travel Grants. However, the applicant for Young Investigator Awards must be under 40 years of age.

Details related to the awards requirements and criteria will be updated soon on the website.

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Registration

Please complete registration through the APPSPGHAN2009 website. The on-line registration system will close on **August 31, 2009**. All registrations received after this time will be considered on site registration. To take advantage of the lowest registration rates, early bird registration and payment must be made by **August 15, 2009**.

Presenting Authors' Registration

All presenters either oral or poster presentation(s) must complete on-line registration and remit the required registration fee by **August 31, 2009** in order to remain on the final program.

Registration Fees

Category	Early bird by August 15 (Extended)	Advance by August 31	On site
Delegate	USD 300	USD 350	USD 400
Trainee / Nurse / Nutritionist	USD 200	USD 250	USD 300
Accompanying Person	USD 150	USD 150	USD 150

*One-day registration is not available.

*You can find the Registration Benefits of each category at the congress website.

Methods of Payment

- * **Full payment** must be paid by the corresponding deadlines.
- * **Credit Card** Visa, Master, JCB, AMEX

• Wire Transfer

The name and address of the registrant should be clearly stated on the bank transfer. A copy of the bank remittance receipt should be faxed to the APPSPGHAN2009 secretariat. All bank charges are to be paid by the registrants.

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Cancellation and Refund Policy

Cancellation must be notified in writing to the secretariat. All refunds will be made after the congress for administrative reasons. A processing fee USD 50 will be deducted from the refunded amount.

- By August 15, 2009: Full Refund
- By August 31, 2009: 50% Refund
- From September 1, 2009: No Refund

Registration Inquiries

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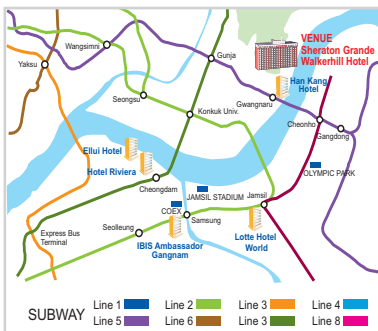
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Accommodation

The Organizing Committee of APPSPGHAN2009 is pleased to arrange rooms at the venue hotel, Sheraton Grande Walkerhill Hotel and around the congress venue. To receive special room rates, please download the reservation form on the congress website and **submit it via email or fax by August 31, 2009**. For detailed information including direction from each hotel to venue, please visit the congress website.

* 1 USD=1,275 KRW as of May, 2009

	Hotel	Room Type	Room Rate (KRW)	Breakfast
1	Sheraton Grande Walkerhill Hotel (venue) ★★★★★	W-wonderful Deluxe Duglas	270,000 230,000 180,000	25,000
2	Lotte Hotel World ★★★★★	Standard DBL Standard TWN	200,000 200,000	20,000
3	Hotel Riviera ★★★★	Superior DBL Superior TWN	130,000 130,000	15,000
4	Ellui Hotel ★★★★	Superior DBL Superior TWN	110,000 110,000	15,000
5	Han Kang Hotel ★★★	Standard	90,000	11,000
6	IBIS Ambassador Gangnam (Serviced Residence)	Standard	120,000	16,000



*VAT (10%) & Service charge (11%) shall be added to the above room rates and breakfast fee, except, that only VAT shall be added for IBIS Ambassador Gangnam (#6).

* Valid credit card information should be submitted in order to secure booking and room charges should be settled upon checking out directly to the hotel.

Hotel Reservation Inquiries

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Tour Programs

The Organizing Committee of APPSPGHAN2009 has prepared diverse tours to the interesting spots in Seoul and the vicinity. For detailed information and reservation, please visit the congress website.

Accompanying Persons' Tour

- **Itinerary:** Gyeongbokgung & Insadong Antique Street
- **Remark:** Free half day course for the accompanying persons

Half Day Tours

HT-1 Into the Royal Family's Life of Korea

- **Date:** September 25, 09:00~12:30
- **Itinerary:** Gyeongbokgung - National Folk Museum - Jogyesa Buddhist Temple
- **Price:** KRW 55,000 / person (min. 10 persons basis)



HT-2 Harmony of Nature and Architecture

- **Date:** September 26, 13:00~17:30
- **Itinerary:** Changdeokgung & Secret Garden - Insadong Antique Street
- **Price:** KRW 55,000 / person (min. 10 persons basis)



HT-3 Korea Discovery Tour

- **Date:** September 27, 09:00~12:30
- **Itinerary:** National Museum of Korea - War Museum
- **Price:** KRW 55,000 / person (min. 10 persons basis)



HT-4 In the Eyes of Seoul

- **Date:** September 28, 09:00~12:30
- **Itinerary:** N Seoul Tower - Namsan Hanok Village - Namdaemun Open Market
- **Price:** KRW 58,000 / person (min. 10 persons basis)

Including all admission charges, an English-speaking guide, and coach



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Night Tours

NT-1 Han River Cruise & 63 Building Observation Tower

- **Date:** September 25-28, 17:00-22:00
- **Itinerary:** Dinner - Han River Cruise - 63 Building's Observation Tower
- **Price:** KRW 83,000/person (min. 10 persons basis)



NT-2 Exciting Night Shopping at Dongdaemun Market

- **Date:** September 25-28, 17:30-22:00
- **Itinerary:** Dinner - Dongdaemun shopping district
- **Price:** KRW 65,000/person (min. 10 persons basis)



NT-3 Jeongdong Theater

- **Date:** September 25-28, 17:30-22:00
- **Itinerary:** Dinner - Jeongdong Theater
- **Price:** KRW 82,000/person (min. 10 persons basis)



Including all admission charges, an English-speaking guide, coach fare and dinner.

Full Day Tours

FT-1 Tracing the Spirit of Korean Ceramics Tour

- **Date:** September 25, 09:00-17:00
- **Itinerary:** Pottery Village - Pottery Class - Lunch - Haegang Museum - Sileuk Temple - Dongdaemun Shopping
- **Price:** KRW 95,000/person (min. 10 persons basis)



FT-2 Back to Ancient Korea

- **Date:** September 26, 09:00-17:00
- **Itinerary:** Korean Folk Village - Suwon Hwaseong Fortress - Namdaemun Open Market
- **Price:** KRW 90,000/person (min. 10 persons basis)



FT-3 Hoping for Reunification of Korea

- **Date:** September 27, 08:00-16:00
- **Itinerary:** Imjingak Park - The 3rd Infiltration Tunnel - Dora Observatory - Lunch - Itaewon Shopping Area
- **Price:** KRW 95,000/person (min. 10 persons basis)
- **Requirement:** Passport only



FT-4 Lovers Forest Riding on a Bike (Korean Drama 'Winter Sonata' Shooting Place)

- **Date:** September 28, 09:00-17:00
- **Itinerary:** Nami Island - Garden of Morning Calm
- **Price:** KRW 95,000/person (min. 10 persons basis)

Including all admission charges, an English-speaking guide, coach fare and lunch.



Pre & Post Congress Tour

PT-1 Legendary Shilla Dynasty, Gyeongju (2D 1N)

- **Date:** September 23–24 & September 29–30
- **Itinerary:**
Day 1 Seoul - Gyeongju National Museum - Tumuli Park - Anapji Pond
Day 2 Seokguram Grotto - Bulguksa Temple - Seoul
1 night at Gyeongju Hilton (★★★★★) or similar on twin sharing basis, all meals, all admission fees, an English-speaking guide and coach fare included.
- **Price:** KRW 390,000/ person (min. 10 persons basis)
For single bedroom, KRW 60,000 extra fee to be added.



PT-2 Relishes the Romantic of Jeju Island (3D 2N)

- **Date:** September 22–24 & September 29–October 1
- **Itinerary:**
Day 1 Seoul - Flight to Jeju Yongdureum Rock - Eomiji Botanic Garden - Hotel
Day 2 Jeongbang Waterfall - Sungeup Folk Village - Seongsan Sunrise Peak - Manjang Cave - Sangumburi
Day 3 Jeju Natural History Museum - Sex & Health Museum - Flight to Seoul 2 nights at Jeju Oriental Hotel (★★★★★) or similar on twin sharing basis, all meals, all admission fees, an English-speaking guide, coach fare and domestic flight included.
- **Remark:** Reservation has to be made at least 3 weeks in advance.
- **Price:** KRW 670,000 /person (min. 10 persons basis)
For single bedroom, KRW 100,000 extra fee to be added.

All programs may be cancelled or changed in case the number of reservations does not meet the minimum basis.



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General Information

Seoul, Korea

Located in a temperate zone and blessed with four distinct seasons, Korea, once known as the "Land of the Morning Calm", is a country that boasts a rapidly growing economy that combines the old and the new. Being a fascinating country with 5,000 years of history, Korea blends harmoniously its rich heritage with new advances and modernizations. Many global events take place here, with the APEC 2005 Korea being one of the most recent. For the last 600 years, Seoul has served as Korea's capital. Through the ages, the city has experienced many ups and downs as the nation passed through periods of prosperity and trial. From ancient palaces with centuries of history to high-tech skyscrapers of steel and glass, from ancient texts dating back millennia to the highest rate of broadband Internet access in the world, Seoul is a place where the old and new exist in harmony. With one foot in the past and another in the future, Seoul is a city that never ceases to amaze.



Venue

Sheraton Grande Walkerhill Hotel is located in northeastern Seoul. This hotel is just far enough from downtown to enjoy the clean, fresh air, yet close enough to reach almost any section of the city by taxi, one of our regular shuttles, or the safe and efficient subway system. For more information, please visit <http://walkerhill.co.kr/eng>.



Transportation

Korea has an extremely well developed transportation grid, and Seoul is well on its way to becoming a major transportation hub in Northeast Asia. The airport code for Incheon International Airport (IIC) is ICN. Passengers arriving at Incheon will need to take a limousine bus or taxi from the airport to downtown Seoul. There are several bus lines and routes available, and the airport Information Counters can assist you with your travel needs. For more details about the airport, please visit <http://www.airport.kr/eng/airport/> or the congress website.

Official Carrier

The Star Alliance Members have been appointed as the Official Airline Network for the APPSPGHAN2009. To obtain details and conditions on Star Alliance™ Conventions Plus discounts and participating airlines*, please contact your local Star Alliance Member and quote the following **EventCode, QZ03509**.

When making your travel plans, please present confirmation of your registration on proof of attendance and ensure that the Event Code is listed on your ticket. For further information about Star Alliance Members, please visit: www.staralliance.com/conventionsplus

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From Incheon International Airport to Venue

KAL Limousine Bus		Taxi (Continuously available)	
Bus Stop No.	1st floor, 4B, 11A	Taxi Stop	4D-8C
Duration	120 minutes	Duration	40 minutes
Fare	KRW 14,000	Fare	Regular: KRW 80,000 Deluxe: KRW 120,000
Intervals	04:45~22:45 (Departs every 20-30 minutes.)	Taxi fare is dependent on traffic condition.	

From Gimpo Airport to Venue

From **Gimpo Airport**, you can take the Seoul Subway, Line 5 (purple line) and use a **shuttle bus**. Sheraton Grande Walkerhill Hotel offers a shuttle bus service free of charge for your convenience. Detailed directions are available at APPSPGHAN2009 website

• Subway

Gwangnanu Course

Gwangnanu Subway Station, Bound (Operation Hours: 06:10 a.m. ~ 11:10 p.m.) Get off at Gwangnanu station, Exit No. 2.

Gangbyun Course

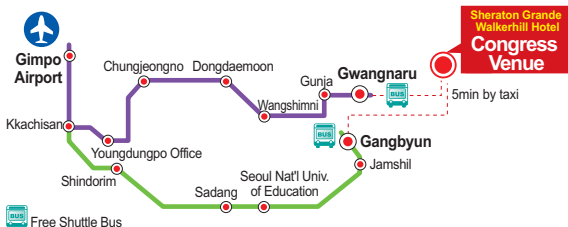
Transfer from Kkachisan Line 5 (purple line) to take Line 2 (green line). Get off at Gangbyun station, Exit No. 1. Gangbyun Subway Station Bound (Operation Hours: 06:00 a.m.~11:20 p.m.)

• Taxi (Continuously available)

From Gimpo Airport to the venue: Regular-KRW 25,000
Deluxe-KRW 45,000

From Gwangnanu station & Gangbyun station to the venue: KRW 3,000

SUBWAY



Upon getting off at each station, Gwangnanu or Gangbyun, **taxi is strongly recommended** since the shuttle bus departs every 20 minutes.



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Useful Information

Visa

Foreigners wishing to enter the Republic of Korea to attend APPSPGHAN2009 should possess valid passports and entry visas, if required. If you are uncertain as to the requirements for entry visas to the Republic of Korea, please visit APPSPGHAN2009 website or refer to Ministry of Foreign Affairs or e-Government for Foreigners website. Detailed information are also available at the congress website.

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