



**ASEM Symposium on
“Towards Peace and Prosperity in Asia and Europe:
The Need of a Dynamic ASEM”**

Administrative Circular

**Yangzhou, China
25-26, April 2013**

1. Date

The Symposium will be held in Yangzhou, Jiangsu Province, People's Republic of China on 25-26 April 2013. China, Laos, India, Poland and ASEF are co-sponsors, China National Committee for Pacific Economic Cooperation (CNCPEC) and the Yangzhou Municipal Government are co-organizers.

2. Venue

The Symposium will be convened in **Shangri-La Hotel, Yangzhou**

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3. Registration

Participants are requested to register by sending a completed Registration Form as attached **by 22nd March 2013 to the following Contact Persons and addresses:**

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4. Cost

The host country will bear the costs of the venue, facilities and conference meals as scheduled in the Programme. Participants will be responsible for their own travel fare and all the other expenses incurred during their stay.

5. Accommodation

Hotel information is as follows:

(1) Shangri-La Hotel, Yangzhou (Five-Star)

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We would like to recommend that participants stay at the **Shangri-La Hotel, Yangzhou**, in which the symposium will be convened. The participants of Symposium can reserve the room with a favorable price on the Website (Group Code for Special Rate: **ASE240413**) or through Telephone, Fax or Email.

Room Type	Price
Deluxe City View Room	RMB 1000 Yuan
Deluxe City View Twin	RMB 1100 Yuan
Deluxe Lake View Room	RMB 1100 Yuan
Deluxe Lake View Twin	RMB 1200 Yuan
Horizon Club Room	RMB 1493 Yuan
Horizon Club Lake View Room	RMB 1562 Yuan
Executive Suite Room	RMB 2900 Yuan

Note: 1USD is about 6.28 RMB Yuan, 1EUR is about 8.14 RMB yuan.

Benefits

- The above rates are inclusive of 15% surcharge.
- The above rates are inclusive of daily buffet breakfast(s).
- Complimentary WiFi and internet access in room.
- Complimentary use of GYM and Swimming Pool.

Terms & Conditions

- The Above rates are specially offered for participants of the Symposium only.
- Check -in time is 14:00 and check-out time is before 12:00.

(2) Huijin Lakeview Xuanwu Hotel (Four-Star, around 6KM from Shangri-La Hotel)

Address: 3 Pingshantang Road, Yangzhou, Jiangsu Province, China

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Website: <http://www.huijinhotel.com.cn>

6. Local Transportation

There is no direct international flight to Yangzhou. However Yangzhou can be accessed by air/train via Beijing, Shanghai and Guangzhou.

There is one connecting domestic flight everyday to Yangzhou from Beijing and Guangzhou respectively.

City of Departure	Flight Number	Departure time	Arrival time
Beijing	CA1841	07:45	09:40
Guangzhou	CZ6587	18:50	21:00

There is regular shuttle bus service in the Yangzhou/Taizhou Airport to downtown Yangzhou.

Participants arriving in Shanghai are recommended to take the CRH (China Railway High-speed) to Zhenjiang/Zhenjiang Nan Station (about one-hour ride). Due to insufficient public transportation service from Zhenjiang and Zhenjiang Nan Station to Yangzhou, the organizers will provide shuttle buses between downtown Yangzhou and Zhenjiang/Zhenjiang Nan Station.

Participants are required to provide their travel information to facilitate relevant arrangement.

7. Language at the Symposium

The working language for the Symposium is English.

8. Dinner

Participants are invited to a dinner hosted by the Yangzhou Municipal Government on 25th April 2013.

9. Dress Code

Business attire is appropriate for all meetings and social functions.

10. Tour

The Yangzhou government kindly invites participants to join a city tour in the afternoon of 26th April. Please confirm your participation in the tour in the registration form attached.

11. Liability

The Symposium organizers shall not be liable for personal accidents and losses, or damages to personal property of the registered participants/delegates. Delegates/participants should make their own arrangements with respect to personal and to property insurance.

12. Useful Information

Visa applications

Participants are required to obtain at least a 6 month valid passport with a visa before arriving in China (if applicable). Participants, who do require a visa to enter China, will need to apply for a visa from the nearest Chinese Embassy/Consulate before they travel to China.

Climate

April in Yangzhou is fine. The average temperature in April is from 19 to 29 degrees Celsius.

Time

The time in China is 8 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMS +8).

Electricity

Electric current: 220 volts. Please take a proper voltage converter and adapter in order to operate your electrical appliances.

Currency

Chinese RMB Yuan is the official currency of China and the following bank Notes are currently in circulation: 1; 5; 10; 20; 50 and 100 Yuan. The exchange rate is 1 CNY $\approx$ 0.16 USD $\approx$ 0.12 EUR.

Credit Cards

Visa, Master Card and American Express are accepted at most banks and ATMs in the larger towns (such as Beijing, Shanghai and Yangzhou), and in big hotels, restaurants and souvenir shops.

Emergency Free Telephone Numbers

Police: 110
Medical: 120
Fire: 119

A Brief introduction to Yangzhou

Yangzhou, a famous history-honored city, is situated in middle Jiangsu, to the north of Yangtze River Delta and on the confluence of Beijing-Hangzhou Grand Canal and Yangtze River, 1015 KM from Beijing and 268 KM from Shanghai.

Yangzhou has been listed as one of first 24 famous historic and cultural cities announced by the State Council. The 2,500 years of history fosters the splendid culture of Yangzhou, leaves well-preserved site of the town in Tang Dynasty and 5.09 square meters of ancient town in Ming and Qing Dynasties, and grants the incomparable status of Yangzhou School of Thoughts, Yangzhou Traditional Opera, Yangzhou Crafts of Art, and Huaiyang Cuisine in the field of Chinese culture. Yangzhou Drama, Storytelling in Yangzhou Dialect, Yangzhou Ballad-singing, Lacquering Skills, Jade-carving, and Storytelling to the Accompaniment of Stringed Instruments have been listed as the Chinese Intangible Cultural Heritage. Block-printing, paper-cutting and guqin, a seven-stringed plucked instrument in some ways similar to the zither have been listed as the masterpieces of Human Intangible Cultural Heritage. Yangzhou is among the first batch of State Excellent Tourism Cities. Famous places of interests are dispersed all over the city with over 300 units under the protection of cultural relics. Yangzhou, an elegant city with fine ecology and peaceful environment, in recent years has been awarded as the National Sanitary City, the National Garden City, China Human Settlements Award and the UN Habitat Scroll of Honor Award. In 2011, it is further awarded as National Forest City, National Civilized City.

For more information, please visit:

http://www.yangzhou.gov.cn/english/yzgov_en_index.shtml

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