



## TRAVEL ADVISORY (For Delegates and Participants)

We look forward to your participation as delegates to the International Council of Museums (ICOM) Asia Pacific 2015 Conference and Regional Assembly on 3-7 December 2015 at the Iloilo Convention Center, Iloilo City, Philippines.

This travel advisory (3 pages) is issued to all delegates/ participants to assist you in making your travel arrangements to Iloilo City, Philippines. **Please note that all expenses in relation to your travel and participation in the Conference are to be covered by you and/or your organization.**

### International Access to the Philippines

- There are several international flights to and from the Philippines. The Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA) Terminals 1, 2, and 3 in Manila are the premier gateways to the Philippines. These terminals serve more than 30 airlines that fly to different cities worldwide.
- Another gateway is the Mactan-Cebu International Airport in the Province of Cebu. It handles regular flights from Hong Kong, Japan, Korea, Singapore, Malaysia, Doha, and China as well as chartered flights from the United States, and other major travel capitals.
- Davao International Airport (also known as Francisco Bangoy International Airport) handles flights from Singapore and other chartered flights.
- Note that most airports in the Philippines charge airport/ terminal fees.
- It's best to coordinate with your airlines and/or travel agencies so you could get the best possible routes and flight schedules from your country of origin. Should you need travel assistance (flight booking to the Philippines, hotel accommodation, side tours) or have any queries, you may contact the travel agency of Pathways: ICOM ASPAC 2015 from the Philippines:

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## Visa Arrangements

- Nationals from 151 countries may enter the Philippines without a visa and stay for a maximum of thirty (30) days, provided they are holders of passport valid at least six (6) months beyond the period of stay in the Philippines, and present a return or outbound ticket to their country of origin or to a next country of destination. *(Source: it's more fun in the Philippines official website)*
- **Please coordinate with your airlines and/or travel agencies for details and information about entry to the Philippines and visa application, specific to your nationality and/or country of origin. Immigration and visa application policies vary per country.**
- Please advise us if you need documentation support (invitation, endorsement, conference programme) in line with your visa application.

## Domestic Flights To Iloilo

- Two airlines, Cebu Pacific and Philippine Airlines, fly to and from Manila-Iloilo daily. There are also Cebu to Iloilo flights. You'll find information on flight schedules, destinations, bookings, and on on-line ticketing on their websites:
  - <http://www.philippineairlines.com>
  - <https://www.cebupacificair.com>
- Should you need a travel agency to assist you in booking your domestic flights, you may contact:

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- Upon arrival at the Iloilo Airport, you may look for the ICOM ASPAC/ Department of Tourism (DOT) Information Desk. Our representatives will be there to assist you.
- The Iloilo Airport is 18 kilometers away from the city proper. You may arrange for an airport transfer with your hotel. See below for details regarding airport transfer fees.
- Taxis / cabs are also available at the Iloilo City Airport. The travel from the airport to city proper would take around 20 to 30 minutes. Tell the taxi drivers the name of your hotel and give them the hotel address. Taxi fare ranges from PHP350 to PHP400. Exchange rate: USD1 = PHP46.5 ; 1 euro = PHP51.5

## Hotel Accommodation

- There are many hotels in Iloilo City that you could choose from. ICOM ASPAC 2015 has the following official partner hotels offering special rates for delegates to the Pathways: ICOM ASPAC 2015 Conference.

### 1. **Richmonde Hotel (4 Star Hotel)** – (across the Conference venue, 2-3 minutes walk)

- PhP3,800 NET per night for Single Deluxe Room, with breakfast and wifi access
- PhP4,300 NET per night for Double Deluxe Room, with breakfast and wifi access
- Airport transfers:
  - Altis vehicle – PhP1,035 nett/ way
  - Innova vehicle - PhP1,125 nett/ way
  - Van – PhP1,215 nett/ way

Exchange rate: USD1 = PHP46.5; 1 euro = PHP51.5

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Website: <https://richmondehotels.com.ph/our-hotels/richmonde-hotel-iloilo>.

**To book your accommodation, please contact the hotel directly and inform them that you are delegates to the Pathways: ICOM ASPAC 2015 Conference to avail yourself of the above rates. Reservation Code: "ICOM". All reservations and expenses made will be charged to your personal accounts.**

### 2. **Seda Atria Hotel** (5-minutes away from Iloilo Convention Center)

- PhP3,500 NET per night for Single Deluxe Room, with breakfast and wifi access
- PhP3,800 NET per night for Double Deluxe Room, with breakfast and wifi access
- PhP4,300 NET per night for Single Premier Room, with breakfast and wifi access
- PhP4,600 NET per night for Double Premier Room, with breakfast and wifi access
- Airport transfers:
  - Toyota Vios – PhP500 nett
  - Toyota Altis – PhP700 nett
  - Toyota Grandia (Van) – PhP900 nett

Exchange rate: USD1 = PHP46.5; 1 euro = PHP51.5

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3. **Days Hotel** (15-minutes ride away from Iloilo Convention Center)

- PhP1,999 per night for Classic Deluxe Room, with breakfast
- PhP2,600 per night for Deluxe Room with View, with breakfast
- Airport transfers: PhP880 (one way)

Exchange rate: USD1 = PHP46.5 ; 1 euro = PHP51.5

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- It is easy to move around Iloilo City. Taxis/ cabs abound and could bring you to and from your hotel and the Iloilo Convention Center.

### **Optional Day Tours (Whole Day Tour, 7 December 2015)**

- On your free time, outside the Conference, you could engage in different activities and visit several sites in Iloilo. Check this link for some of the things that you could do in the province.  
<http://itsmorefuninthephilippines.com/iloilo-city/>.
- On 7 December 2015, you could avail of the optional day tours offered for delegates and guests.
  - Island of Guimaras Tour (accessible via a 20-minute ferry ride from Iloilo City)
  - Iloilo countryside Tour

Check out the attached Optional Day Tours Information Sheet. Optional day tours are separate arrangements and costs will be charged to your personal expense.

### **Post Conference Tours**

- You could opt to stay longer in the Philippines after the Conference. Boracay Island, voted as one of the best beaches in the world, is accessible via a 4- to 5-hour land trip from Iloilo Province. You could also go to other equally popular islands in other provinces such as Cebu, Palawan, Bohol, or Davao. There are several domestic flights to these provinces. You could get in touch with our travel agency for information on these tours:

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## **Videos and Information about the Philippines and Iloilo**

- See this link to get a glimpse of Iloilo: [About Iloilo](#)
- Find out why it's more fun in the Philippines! See this video: [It's More Fun in The Philippines](#)
- Should you wish to know more about the Philippines, see this page:  
<http://itsmorefuninthephilippines.com>

**WE WISH YOU A SAFE TRAVEL. SEE YOU IN ILOILO CITY!**