Second United Nations World Geospatial Information Congress

Theme
“Geo-Enabling the Global Village: No one should be left behind”

10-14 October 2022, Hyderabad, India

INFORMATION NOTE

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The United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM) will be convening the **Second United Nations World Geospatial Information Congress (UNWGIC) in Hyderabad, India from 10-14 October 2022**. The Government of India through its Ministry of Science and Technology will host the Congress. The convening of the UNWGIC arises out of the mandate from the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) to UN-GGIM to organize global forums to promote comprehensive dialogue on global geospatial information management with all relevant governments, international organizations, and stakeholders. The Congress will be a truly global event bringing together all stakeholders at the highest level to address and ensure that geospatial information has its widest and fullest utility in service of sustainable social, economic and environmental development.

The Second UNWGIC Congress will focus on the theme "**Geo-Enabling the Global Village: No one should be left behind.**" It will reflect the importance of integrated geospatial information to support sustainable development and the well-being of society, address environmental and climate challenges, embrace digital transformation and technological development, and catalyze a vibrant economy. The Congress will address the development and strengthening of integrated geospatial information management, its capacities and capabilities. It will also demonstrate the importance of international cooperation and coordination for building a human data and geography community, against the three pillars of sustainable development, for a shared future and a better world, leaving no one behind within an inclusive and equitable global society.
PROGRAM OUTLINE

While the actual UNWGIC program covers three days (11-13 October), the overall event will be five days long, from 10-14 October, and will include global and regional meetings, expert meetings, workshops, exhibition and technology showcase. Formal meetings include the Eleventh Plenary Meeting of the Regional Committee of United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management for Asia and the Pacific (UN-GGIM-AP) and the Annual UN-GGIM Expanded Bureau Meeting. Other events such as those organized by the various UN-GGIM thematic groups will also add to the program. The complete information on the Second UNWGIC program will be progressively updated on the Congress website with a link to the website maintained by the local host at: https://unwgic2022.in/

The preliminary outline for the UNWGIC program for 10-14 October 2022 is as follows:

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LANGUAGE

UNWGIC will be conducted in English.

VENUE

UNWGIC will be held at the Hyderabad International Convention Centre (HICC), (Near HiTec City) P.O Bag 1101 Cyberabad Post Office, Hyderabad – 500 081, India
TIME ZONE

The standard time used in all parts of India is 5 hours 30 minutes ahead of GMT (GMT +5:30).

REGISTRATION

Registration for UNWGIC 2022 is free. There is a two-step open registration process.

- Interested participants are to first submit a request to participate in UNWGIC 2022 at https://ggim.un.org/2unwgic. Each request will be reviewed by the UN-GGIM Secretariat.
- Upon favorable consideration, interested participants will be advised by an e-mail to proceed to the second step, to register as a UNWGIC 2022 Participant.
- After full registration as a delegate is completed, an invitation letter will be sent on registered e-mail ID, which can be used for visa application purposes as well.

NOTE:

- Interested participants are to submit their requests to participate as early as possible to avoid any delays at https://ggim.un.org/2unwgic but no later than 23 September 2022.
- Interested participants must indicate whether they need an official letter for visa purposes.
- All the registered delegates are requested to bring along a copy of the invitation letter to the Congress at Hyderabad for on-site registration. For registration queries, please write to: unwgic2022@iiit.ac.in

On-site registration

On-site registration will commence at the Hyderabad International Convention Centre on 9-13 October 2022 from 08:00-17:00.

VISA

All foreign nationals entering India are required to possess a valid international travel document in the form of a national passport with a valid visa from an Indian Mission/Post or e-Visa (Limited Categories) from Bureau of Immigration, Ministry of Home Affairs. For detailed visa policies, please consult your Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Indian Embassy or Consulate in your country or nearest to you.

HOTELS

The Hyderabad International Convention Centre is connected to Novotel Hyderabad Convention Centre, an international business hotel co-located with the convention centre. There are several other hotels in the vicinity. Please refer to the detailed list of accommodation options on the Congress website: https://unwgic2022.in/accommodation.html
TRANSPORTATION

Hyderabad is located in the southern part of Telangana, India. Invited participants can take either international or domestic flights to Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, Hyderabad. It takes about an hour to transfer from Rajiv Gandhi International Airport to reach the Hyderabad International Convention Centre.

Taxi services at Hyderabad

There are a range of taxi services that are available at the Rajiv Gandhi International Airport and in the city. At the airport, one can also avail the facility of Prepaid Taxi, She Cabs (for Women), Radio Taxi like Meru and SkyCabs, and App-based Taxi/Cab services like Ola and Uber.

UNWGIC SOCIAL EVENTS, LUNCHES AND DINNERS

Registration to the UNWGIC includes daily lunches and coffee breaks, and one Welcome Dinner at the HICC on 11 October 2022. A few dedicated social receptions may be organized during the week.

HERITAGE AND CITY TOURS

The local organizing committee plans to appoint an official travel agent, who will be responsible for arranging city and heritage tours in and around Hyderabad. The travel agent shall be present at the conference venue for delegates’ convenience. Information on sightseeing will be available on: https://unwgic2022.in/.
WEATHER

The weather in Hyderabad in October is pleasantly warm with a gentle breeze, with average highs around 86°F (30°C) and lows around 68°F (20°C).

CURRENCY

The Indian currency is Rupees (INR). The current exchange rate is about 1 USD: 79.50 INR. Currency exchange can be done at banks, hotels, and airports. All the major hotels/restaurants/shops accept international credit cards including Visa and MasterCard, while some local or small restaurants/shops in Hyderabad accept cash in Rupees.

HEALTH & SAFETY GUIDELINES

UNWGIC 2022 requires all in-person participants to be fully-vaccinated. An individual is considered fully-vaccinated if he/she has received the appropriate regimen of WHO-approved vaccines or has recovered from COVID-19 within the last 180 days. Proof of vaccination or recovery will be required upon entry at the venue.

By attending, participants agree to abide by the UNWGIC 2022's health & safety guidelines, and to conduct oneself in accordance with all provided instructions at the venue. This will include, but is not limited to:

- Refraining from coming to the Congress if test positive for, or develop symptoms associated with COVID-19, or if required to be in self-isolation by COVID-19 regulations at the location travelling from.
- Leaving venue promptly if feeling unwell during the course of the Congress.
- Complying with mask-wearing policy as communicated at the venue.
- Following instructions on physical distancing and crowd movement.
- Observing good handwashing and hygiene etiquette.

The guidelines might change depending on the situation of the pandemic. Please visit this page regularly for the latest updates.

ELECTRICITY

India uses power plug and outlet Type D for standard domestic and business purposes. The wall sockets can accommodate straight two-pin plugs. Please carry the appropriate adapter as needed.
## 5 STAR HOTELS ★★★★★

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<td>INR 16500/- (Single) INR 18000/- (Double)</td>
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Novotel & HICC Complex (Near HITEC City)
P.O Bag 1101, Cyberabad Post Office
Hyderabad – 500 081, India

### ITC-KOHENUR HI-TECH-CITY

Distance from HICC: 6.7 KM

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<td>Standard</td>
<td>17300/- (Single) 18700/- (Double)</td>
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Raheja IT Park, HUDA Techno Enclave, HITEC City, Madhapur, Telangana 500081

### AVASA

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Plot no. 15, 24, 25 & 26, Survey No.64, Sector-1, Huda Techno Enclave, Madhapur, Hyderabad – 500 081

## 4 STAR HOTELS ★★★

### DECCAN SERAI GRANDE GACHIBOWLI

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Grande, Gachibowli, Hyderabad, 42, 44, Plot No 25, Sy no 18 & 19, Behind Vyshnavi Cynosure, Telecom Nagar, Gachibowli, Hyderabad, Telangana 500032

### LEMON TREE PREMEIR HI-TECH CITY

Distance from HICC: 5 KM

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Plot No. 2, Survey No. 64, Hitech City Rd, Hyderabad, Telangana 500081

### LEMON TREE HOTEL, GACHIBOWLI

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Survey No. 115 1 Financial District, Nanakramguda, Rd Number 1, Financial District, Gachibowli, Hyderabad, Telangana 500032
### 3 STAR HOTELS ★★★

**IBIS HYDERABAD HI-TECH CITY**

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Plot 3/2, near Cyber Towers, Sector Ii, HUDA Techno Enclave, HITEC City, Hyderabad, Telangana 500081

**DECCAN SERAI HOTEL HI-TECH CITY**

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**RED FOX HOTEL HIGH-TECH CITY**

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### BUDGET HOTELS

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No. 56, Madhapur, 2 and 56/3, Jubilee Enclave, HITEC City, Hyderabad, Telangana 500081

**FRENOTEL HIGH-TECH CITY**

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Matha Bhuvaneswari Society, Hitech City Main Rd, Madhapur, Telangana 500081

**FABHOTEL DIRECT CHECKIN**

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Flat No. 704 701 C Block Fresh living Apartment, Madhapur, Telangana 500018

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For more Hotels please refer to the detailed list of accommodation options on [https://unwgic2022.in/accommodation.html](https://unwgic2022.in/accommodation.html)
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