

Dear Colleagues/ Participants,

Please find below some information useful for your upcoming trip to Bangalore:

For updated information, consult the program website  
<http://www.icts.res.in/program/ASIT2013>

### **ACCOMMODATION:**

Accommodation has been arranged by the program **from 8 Jun to 22 Jun**. If are arriving before 8 Jun or staying after 22 Jun, you are requested to make your own arrangement. If you need help in finding accommodation outside this period, please let us know in advance.

For the Lecturers/Organizers/Faculties, the accommodation has been arranged at the Centenary Guest House (CVH), IISc campus.

(Please consult the [Campus MAP](#) in the program website)

For the students/postdocs, the accommodation has been arranged at the following three places:

(a) Jawahar Visitors' house, IISc campus

(b) Hoysala House, IISc campus

(Please consult the [Campus MAP](#) in the program website)

(c) The United Theological College (UTC),

63, Millers Road, Benson Town

BANGALORE - 560046, INDIA.

Telephone (General): 0091-80-23333438/23330502

(Principal): 0091-80-23332844

(Please consult the [UTC MAP](#) in the program website)

The UTC is at walking distance from the Bangalore cantonment railway station. So, if your train goes via Cantonment station you may get down here.

For the students/postdocs, we will soon put the accommodation allotment list in the program website. Please consult this before your arrival.

### **PICK-UP:**

If your flight lands in Bangalore airport between 7pm and 9am we will arrange an

airport pickup for you. After the baggage claim and customs clearance, once you come out of the arrival gate, please look for the taxi driver with placard either showing your name or "ICTS-TIFR".

For those of you who are arriving during the day time (9 am to 7pm), we recommend that you take an airport taxi to the hotel. Please remember to collect the receipt. You will need this for reimbursement. There are three "official" taxi services in the airport (<http://www.bengaluruairport.com/transport/taxis.jsp>); we recommend taking a Meru Cab. These are available outside the airport. However, if you prefer us arranging an airport pickup for you, please let us know in advance.

For those arriving at the railway stations, please go directly to your place of your assigned accommodation.

### **WEATHER:**

Weather in Bangalore is generally pleasant in June-July, with temperature ranging between 19 deg C and 29 deg C. There will be occasional showers; so an umbrella or rain jacket will be handy.

### **VISA:**

Please let us know once you have received your visa (please ignore this if you have already informed this). If you haven't applied for the visa, we strongly suggest that you start the process asap. If you are applying for a conference visa, please let us know before you apply to the consulate. We can fax some supporting documents to the consulate to facilitate a faster processing.

If you haven't already send us your arrival and departure information, please do this asap. We need this to confirm the hotel booking and to arrange the airport pickup.

### **POWER OUTLETS:**

AC power in India is with 220V and 50Hz. The power sockets are of the type "[BS 546](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/AC_power_plugs_and_sockets_British_and_compatible_standards)" ( [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/AC\\_power\\_plugs\\_and\\_sockets - British and compatible standards](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/AC_power_plugs_and_sockets_British_and_compatible_standards) )But most of the European plugs (like the German one) works as well.

### **VACCINATIONS:**

Check with your doctor whether you need any!

**FOOD:**

The food is arranged by the program starting from 10 June, 2013

The Lunch and Dinner for all participants will be arranged at the program venue.

For people staying at CVH, Jawahar & UTC, the breakfast will be arranged at their respective accommodation.

Those who are staying at Hoysala, you may go to Nesara (campus restaurant) for breakfast. We will pay you Rs. 50 per day for breakfast.

There is a banquet on 10th June and another one on 17th June. All participants are invited to the banquets.

If you are arriving earlier and staying in the IISc. campus, please arrange for your own food. There are two restaurants in the campus (Nesara and Prakruti) which are quite reasonable. There are also several other restaurants around the campus (especially on the New Bel road).

**VENUE:**

ICTS is currently functioning in the so-called "TIFR-Centre" building of the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore.

The program will be organized at "New Physical Science Building", IISc Campus. Please see the [campus map](#) in the program website for walking directions to the program venue.

**PROGRAM SCHEDULE:**

Please consult the program website.

**LECTURE NOTES:**

Some lecture notes are available on the program website. Please print the notes before you come. It will be difficult to arrange for large printouts.

**TRANSPORTATION FROM ACCOMMODATION TO VENUE:**

Those who are staying in the campus, please walk to the venue. It is a nice walk through the campus.

Those staying in the Jawahar guest house, please use the over (foot) bridge to cross the main road. Then walk through the campus.

We will arrange for transport for the participants staying in the UTC. The vehicle will leave UTC at 8:00 am.

We look forward to seeing you soon in Bangalore! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

With regards,  
Organizers.