SCOR Annual Meeting 2024

16-18 October 2024

Qingdao, China

Venue: Shangri-La Hotel Qingdao

https://scor-int.org/events/scor-2024-annual-meeting/

Logistics

Events

Three events will take place during the week of 15-18 October in Qingdao related to SCOR. All events are planned to take place at the Shangri-La Hotel Qingdao:

1. SCOR Annual Meeting (16-18 October): open to all registrants
2. SCOR Executive Committee closed meeting (15 October am / 18 October pm): open only to SCOR Executive Committee members
3. Symposium celebrating the 40th anniversary of the China-Beijing SCOR National Committee (15 October pm): open to all registrants

Registration

Please register **HERE** if you are attending the 2024 SCOR Annual Meeting either in person or online.

Attending remotely

Remote access will be provided for the meeting but is not planned for the symposium. Please register in order to receive login instructions in advance of the meeting.

Qingdao is in UTC+8, and the meeting will run from 9 am to 5 pm local time. Best efforts will be made to accommodate presentations at reasonable times across time zones.

The background material (reports and prerecorded videos) will be posted at the event page of the SCOR website as they become available.

Meeting Venue

The symposium and meeting will be held at the Shangri-La Hotel Qingdao.

Address: No. 9 Xianggang Middle Road, Qingdao 266071

Phone: (86 532) 8388 3838

Website: https://www.shangri-la.com/en/qingdao/shangrila/

Transportation

The airport served by the meeting is the Qingdao Jiaodong International Airport (TAO).

The following options are available for transit between the airport and venue:

- Taxi: The ride from the airport to the hotel by car lasts approximately 50 minutes. The cost of a taxi is expected to be around 120-150 CNY ($17-20 USD).
- Metro: The airport is serviced by metro line 8. Transfer at Qingdao North Railway Station to metro line 3. The hotel is located at the same intersection as the "May 4th Square" station. The cost for this distance is 10 CNY ($1.4 USD). The transit time from the airport is about 1.5 hours, depending on transfer times. Metro map: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Qingdao_Metro_Map_en.png

Accommodations

The Shangri-La Hotel has provided a special rate for meeting attendees from 14 to 19 October. The rate is 800 CNY ($110) for single rooms per night, including tax. Book directly here. Those interested in extending the range of nights stayed can contact SCOR (secretariat@scor-int.org) for assistance.

If you have issues with the link, you can also search for the rate by following steps the below.

1) Visit https://www.shangri-la.com/

2) Insert hotel name, check-in date, check-out date, and total number of guests.

3) On next column, click "Special Code" > choose "Group" > key in Group Block code SCO141024

4) Click "Search" and rates will display accordingly.

Meals

The lodging rate at the hotel includes breakfast.

Coffee/snack breaks will be provided during the meeting.

A reception will be hosted after the symposium (15 October) and dinners will be provided by the China-Beijing National Committee and SCOR on 16 and 17 October.

Dining options for lunch and any remaining dinners during your stay are available nearby, including in the hotel and at the nearby Wanxiang Mall.

Visa requirements

Attendees are responsible for investigating their own visa requirements. The following page is offered as a guide: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Visa_policy_of_mainland_China

Those requiring letters of invitation from the First Institute of Oceanography, the local host in China, to obtain a visa can make this request here: https://forms.gle/Sm5fn8MtZPcxiuNK7.

Those requiring a letter of invitation from SCOR (e.g., for time release from your institution) can contact SCOR Executive Director Emily Twigg at secretariat@scor-int.org.

Letters will only be provided to those attending on SCOR business. Observers are welcome but will not receive letters of invitation.

OTHER PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Time zone

Qingdao is on China Standard Time, 8 hours ahead of UTC.

Weather

https://www.weather-atlas.com/en/china/qingdao-weather-october

Currency

The currency of China is the renminbi, which utilizes the yuan as the unit of currency. RMB and CNY are both used as abbreviations for the currency, with the symbol ¥.

Internet

Google applications are not accessible in China. Attendees utilizing Google for their email should investigate options for email access while traveling.

Electricity

Voltage in China is 220V/50HZ. There are two kinds of sockets widely used: type A and type I. The type A can also accept plugs of type C or F.

Emergency

Emergency numbers are 110 (Police), 119 (Fire), and 120 (Injury).

Water

Two bottles of water are provided in the room daily.