



BIT's 4th Annual World Congress of Ocean-2015

*Theme: The 21st Century Maritime Silk Road
– Connection "China Dream" and "World Dream"*

Time: November 6-8, 2015 Venue: Qingdao, China



Conference Guide

This guide is a practical reference for participants of WCO-2015. It provides information on the whole conference related to logistics, transportation and accommodation etc.

1. Program and schedule have uploaded to the official website now. Especially, for the speakers who change to a new date and time, please kindly take time to check it again.
2. Admission to the scientific activities of the Conference is only possible for those people who are wearing the official **conference name badge** which is issued at the Registration Desk.
3. Conference language is English. Using PowerPoint to deliver your speech in English is highly recommended.
4. Please attend Group Photo, Opening Ceremony, Plenary Lecture, and Welcome Banquet in formal clothing.
5. For all speakers, please bring your slide to the meeting room and copy it to the computer directly 15 minutes prior to the Activity starts. Generally speaking, all of the speakers are requested to use our computer unless your file could not be compatible with our projector (VGA) & computer system (Windows XP, English).

Conference Venue & Hotel

Hilton Qingdao Golden Beach (Nov. 6-8)



Located on the southeast of Phoenix Island in Qingdao - The Pearl of the Yellow Sea - this contemporary hotel is located in Qingdao's Economic and Technology Development Zone (ETDZ), 20km from downtown Qingdao, and is close to many Fortune 500 companies. Liuting International Airport is only an hour's drive away.

Hotel Name: Hilton Qingdao Golden Beach ★★★★★ (青岛金沙滩希尔顿酒店)

Address: 1 Jia Ling Jiang East Road, ETDZ, Qingdao, 266555, China

地址: 青岛黄岛区嘉陵江东路一号

Tel: +86 532-83150000

Registration

Place: Registration Desk, **Lobby** of Hilton Qingdao Golden Beach Hotel

Working Time: November 5, 2015 (08:00-22:00); November 6, 2015 (08:00-18:00)

Group Photo: Gate of Qingdao Impression, 1st Floor, Hilton Qingdao Golden Beach

Time: November 6, 2015, 08:30-08:40

Meals: Qingdao Impression 1, 1st Floor, Hilton Qingdao Golden Beach

Breakfast: 06:00-08:00
 Lunch: 12:00-13:00
 Dinner: 18:00-19:30
 Welcome Banquet (Nov. 6th): 18:30-20:00

Conference Agenda

Date	Activities	Time	Place
Nov. 6, 2015	Opening Ceremony	09:00-09:30	Qingdao Impression 3 1 st Floor
	Plenary Lecture	09:30-12:00	Qingdao Impression 3 1 st Floor
	Keynote Forum & Overseas Projects- Talents Matchmaking Negotiation Fair	13:30-16:00	Qingdao Impression 3 1 st Floor
Nov. 7~8, 2015	Parallel Sessions	08:30-17:30	Hilton Qingdao Golden Beach

Poster exhibition time is 08:30-17:00 on November 6-8 at Hilton Qingdao Golden Beach

Note: The final program was released on the web no later than October 20th, 2015. You may check it on the Conference website: <http://www.bitcongress.com/wco2015/scientificprogram.asp>. There will be some changes in the program schedule, please carefully check your speech time and information. If you cannot open the website, please contact with amy@ocean-wco.com to get the final program.

Transportation

1. Qingdao Liuting International Airport	There is one main airport in Qingdao which is called Qingdao Liuting International Airport. It is 65 km from the Airport to Hilton Qingdao Golden Beach in Huangdao District, 60 mins by taxi, about USD 60 (RMB 350). Price will be higher after 10:00 p.m.
2. Airport Pickup Service Only on November 5	Time: 10:00-24:00, Nov. 5, 2015 Departure Time from the Airport: Every Hour on the Hour Route: Qingdao Liuting International Airport →Hilton Qingdao Golden Beach
3. Qingdao Liuting International Airport Shuttle Bus (NO. Huangdao Special Line)	Time: 09:30-23:30 Departure Time from the Airport: Every Hour on the Hour Route: Qingdao Liuting International Airport→Government of Huangdao District (Destination, about USD 7, RMB 40), after that you can call taxi to Hilton Qingdao Golden Beach, 10mins by taxi, about USD 3 (RMB 15-20)

Note: Please notice that the airport pickup service will be arranged **only on November 5th**. If your schedule is not suitable for the pickup, or you could not catch it on November 5th, please take a taxi at the **Taxi Ride Point** of the Airport or Airport Shuttle Bus to the hotel.

The Information below would be Helpful When You Take a Taxi:

	English	Chinese
Notes	<p>Please take me to Hilton Qingdao Golden Beach Hotel, Thanks!</p> <p>Address: 1 Jia Ling Jiang East Road, ETDZ, Qingdao, 266555, China</p>	<p>请送我到青岛金沙滩希尔顿酒店, 谢谢!</p> <p>地址: 中国青岛经济技术开发区嘉陵江东路 1 号</p> <p>Tel: +86 532-83150000</p>

Conference in China

➤ Visa

Foreign attendees will need to apply for visa by themselves usually, so WCO-2015 recommends applying for visas as early as possible. Please check with your local China consulate or embassy to find out the earliest possible application date. Meanwhile, we strongly advise the foreign attendees to apply for the **Tourist Visa instead of Business Visa** in view of the adjustments for visa application to China last year, which is more accessible. We apologize for any inconvenience maybe caused to you.

➤ Weather

According to the weather forecasting: the average temperature during the period of Conference is around 6°C ~ 13°C, it is cool in the morning and night, coat is necessary.

➤ Currency

The official currency is the RMB (CNY) or Yuan. Chinese money cannot be exported. Travelers' checks (restrict \$300 can be changed at hotel) and major credit cards are accepted (VISA, MASTERCARD) and foreign currency can be converted in airport, hotels, in stores and in subsidiaries of the Bank of China. The working hour of most foreign exchange centre is: 08:30-16:30. You are advised to exchange some RMB for your bus/taxi fares before your departure. The exchange rate between U.S. dollar and RMB Yuan is approximately at 1: 6.2. Please check for further updates. Usually, 800-1000RMB would be enough for your transportation fees. Though major credit cards are accepted at big stores and ATMs, cash is still more widely used.

➤ Electricity

A variety of electrical outlets can be found in China and an all-around adaptor set is recommended. Voltage in China is 220V 50Hz. If you will need to use an adapter, please be sure to use an appropriate transformer as well.

➤ Mobile Phone Network

Cell phones are widely used in China with networks of GSM (800 MHz, 900 MHz & 1800 MHz) and CDMA.

➤ Working Language

The working language of this Conference is English, therefore, simultaneous interpretation will not be provided.

➤ **Local time**

A. Time Difference

China is in one time zone – Beijing Time (GMT+ 8 hours).

B. Working Hours

Most business organizations are open at 09:00~18:00, government departments at 08:00~17:00, and banks at 09:00~17:00. Working week runs from Monday to Friday. Many stores stay open 12 hours a day, 7 days a week.

➤ **Insurance Policy**

It is advised to have insurance to cover sickness and other possible traveling problems. For hospitalization in China, you may have to pay first and then claim it back from your insurance company. The organizing committee will not take the responsibility for any personal injuries sustained or for loss of, or damage to, property belonging to Conference participants or their accompanying persons, either during or as a result of the Conference.

➤ **Emergency numbers**

Police: 110

Fire Department: 119

Medical Emergency: 120

Visa Card Hotline: 10-800-110-2911

MasterCard Hotline: 10-800-11-0-7309 (only in certain provinces)

➤ **Conference Contact**

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