



ICSET 2018

2018 International Conference on Sustainable Environmental Technologies

Mapua University

658 Muralla St., Intramuros, Manila 1002, Philippines

August 19-21, 2018

Travel Information Packet



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Dear Participant,

Thank you for participating in the 2018 International Conference on Sustainable Environmental Technologies. We are delighted to see you here at Mapua University, Manila, Philippines. We hope you are looking forward to present your scientific works, do linkages, making research collaboration, and enjoy the company of colleagues in the scientific community this August 2018.

In preparation, we have provided details and information below which are useful as you begin to prepare for your travel to, and arrival in Manila on or before August 19, 2018. For questions and other clarifications, you may contact the conference secretariat at icset2018@mapua.edu.ph.

We are looking forward to seeing you at the conference venue.

Best wishes,

ICSET2018 Organizers



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I. Travel Information

Arriving in the Philippines

Manila – the capital city of the Philippines. Manila sets the mood of life in this archipelago and is a throbbing center that mixes the Oriental with the Occidental, the interesting with the cutting edge, the ordinary with the exceptional.

Getting in, you'll arrive at the Manila Ninoy Aquino International Airport or NAIA (IATA: MNL, ICAO: RPLL), also known as Manila International Airport and is one of the two international airports serving the Metro Manila Area. It is the main international gateway to the Philippines. (<https://www.manila-airport.net/>)

Terminals at NAIA Airport:

- NAIA Terminal 1: serves international flights except for those operated by Cebu Pacific Air, PAL Express, Delta Air Lines, Philippine Airlines, All Nippon Air (ANA), KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, Singapore Airlines, Emirates Airline and Cathay Pacific Airways. It has 16 gates. It has gates: 1-7, 9-12 and 14-16.
- NAIA Terminal 2: currently houses international and domestic flights of the country's flag carrier: Philippine Airlines. The building has an arrowhead design with six-storeys. It is divided into two wings: North wing for International Flights, South wing for Domestic Flights.
- NAIA Terminal 3: International Terminal - International flights not served at Terminal 1. Is the newest and biggest terminal. It also operates with domestic flights.
- NAIA Terminal 4: hosts flights from local carriers as Air Asia Zest, Tigerair Philippines and Skyjet Airlines.

The airport is about 12 km away from Manila and it will generally take an approximate of 30 minutes to 2 hours to get to Manila depending on the traffic situation.



II. Suggested Hotels

II.A The Manila Hotel

Defined by its history, elegance, and world-class service, the Manila Hotel maintains to be the choice hotel of the most distinguished clientele. Over the years, Manila Hotel continuously provides the best services and amenities for a truly memorable experience.

Among the said amenities are the buffet restaurant, newly renovated pool and garden area, sun deck, hotel spa and health club.

Rates:

Room type	Rate (PHP)
Grand Deluxe Room Single	Php 5,500
Grand Deluxe Room Twin	Php 5,850
Grand Deluxe Room Triple	Php 8,350

***these fees include breakfast and will only apply after registration through the ICSET 2018 website (<https://icset2018.mapua.edu.ph/Register.aspx>).**



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II.B Ramada Manila

Ramada Manila central hotel is situated in the midst of one of Manila's central business, cultural and commercial districts, and is accessible to all modes of public transportation – including trains, buses, jeepneys and horse-drawn carriages. Amenities include guest rooms with high speed internet, fitness room, function room, board room, multi-purpose hall and ballroom. A free round trip shuttle service to and from the nearest mall is also available.

Rates:

Room type	Rate (PHP)
Superior Room Single	Php 3,400
Deluxe Room	Php 3,700
Executive Room	Php 4,100
Suite Room	Php 4,900
Extra bed with breakfast for one pax	Php 1,400

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II.C The Bayleaf Hotel

The Bayleaf Intramuros is a first-rate boutique hotel in Manila, Philippines that promises contemporary luxuries and conveniences. This hotel is adjacent to Mapua University. Set within the walls of the oldest district and historic core of Manila, this iconic landmark in the metro offers a high-class city abode for any traveler. It presents 57 guestrooms with five-star beddings that blend style and comfort to encourage relaxation. Each one has plush beds, a 32-inch LCD TV, Wi-Fi Internet, and spacious bath with rain shower. The hotel also affords ace facilities for leisure and business. This includes a ballroom, 5 meeting rooms, and 4 dining venues. The expedient address of this hotel will also make a loyal patron out of you. It is a short distance away from significant tourist attractions and entertainment centers. All these made The Bayleaf worthy of TripAdvisor's Traveller's Choice Award.

Rates:

Room type	Rate (PHP)
Grand Deluxe Room Single	Php 4,000

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III. Venue Information

VENUE ADDRESS:

Mapúa University
658 Muralla St.
Intramuros, Manila 1002, Philippines



Within the walls of the Philippines' most popular heritage site of Intramuros lies the country's seat of technological education excellence. Don Tomas Mapúa, the first registered Filipino architect, founded Mapúa University (<https://www.mapua.edu.ph/>) on January 25, 1925, with the vision of it becoming an educational institution that would give the necessary emphasis on the growing importance of science and technology in the improvement of the country's economy and the quality of life of its citizens.

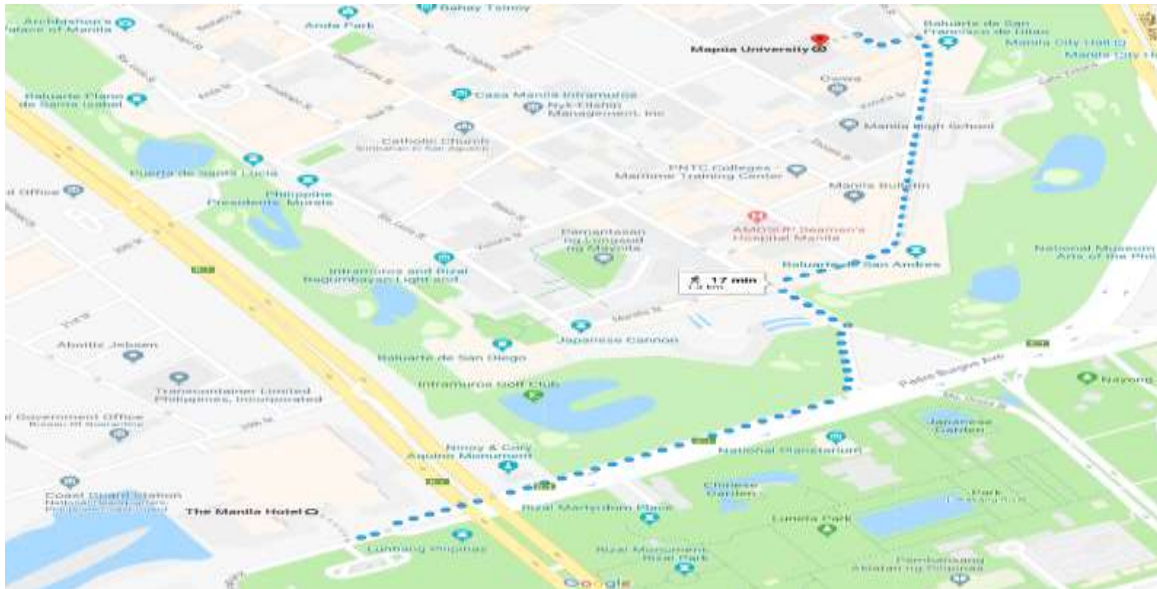
Schedule of Sessions

The schedule of the parallel technical sessions can be accessed through: <https://icset2018.mapua.edu.ph/Downloads.aspx>. Please note that this schedule is subject to change. Please check back often to ensure your presentation date and time has not changed. In addition to this, you will receive a program booklet at the conference containing the final schedule for the plenary and parallel sessions.

Signages will be deployed prior to the conference to guide you to your designated conference room.

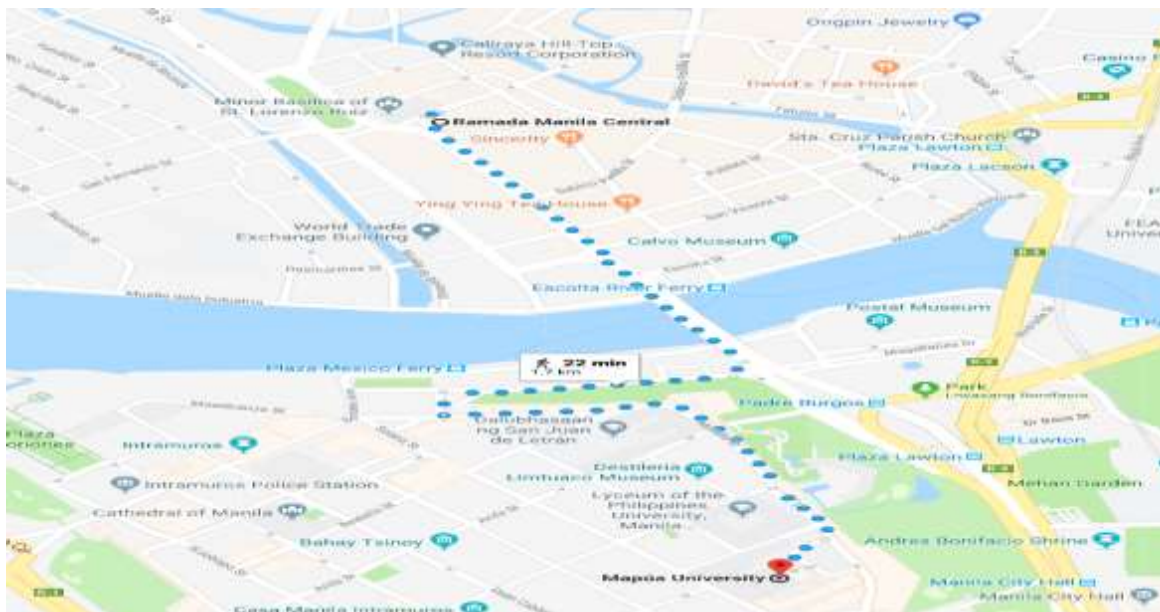
ARRIVING ON FOOT (from The Manila Hotel)

The campus is 1.7 km away from Hotel and is approximately a 15-20 minute walk. Below, is a snapshot of the Google Maps walking route generated by using the university address and the hotel address.



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IV. Activities and Extras

Corregidor Tour



Corregidor comes from the Spanish word “corregir,” meaning to correct. Before, it was called “Isla del Corregidor” and “El Corregidor” by the Spanish due to its strategic location. This island became one of the most historical islands of the Philippines containing footprints/ruins of the World War II.

Manila City Tour



Manila (Tagalog: *Lungsod ng Maynila*), is the capital of the Philippines and the nation’s center of education, business and transportation. The city is full of warm people, high-rise structures and restaurants offering various cuisines sprawling and bustling in the city. It is culturally complicated, with a colorful multi-cultural heritage and varied nightlife.



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Currency

The current exchange rate between USD and PHP is about 1 USD = 54 PHP (as of last week of June 2018).

ATMs are scattered throughout the city. There are ATMs inside Mapua University, too. Most of restaurants, shops, and malls accept international credit and debit cards. Banks and foreign exchange outlets rarely accept travelers' cheques. Cash in sterling, Euros, US dollars, NT Dollars, Chinese Yuan, and other foreign currencies can be exchanged for Philippine pesos at the airport, in banks, hotels, some shops and customer service counter of shopping malls.

You may only bring up to USD10,000.00 (PHP54, 000.00 peso equivalent) CASH into the Philippines without prior authorization from the Philippines Central Bank. If you plan to bring more than USD10, 000.00 into the country, you'll need to obtain written authorization from the Philippines Central Bank.

Weather

The climate of the country is divided into two main seasons:

1. the wet season, from June to the early part of October;
2. the dry season, from the later part of October to May.

In August, it is considered a wet season with an average precipitation of 380 mm; hence you are encouraged to bring light umbrella. However, the average monthly sunlight hours in August is 130. Therefore, there is a probability to experience sunlight and sunset, too, during the conference period. So, please bring light clothes but prepare a light jacket with hood and/or umbrella.

The average year-round temperature measured from all the weather stations in the Philippines is 26.6 °C (79.9 °F). The relative humidity in August is 80% with a high amount of moisture or vapor in the air which makes hot temperatures feel hotter.

V. Safety Tips

Be cautious in going around at night

While the weather may be agreeable for an evening stroll, avoid wandering the streets especially in dimly lit areas. However, if you really need to go out at night, take sensible precautions and if possible take a cab going to and from your hotel and enjoy the Manila night life.

Don't forget to get your receipt from the cab driver

There are available grab taxis and grab cars in Manila. You may book online, request assistance from the hotel concierge, or may call a taxi outside your hotel. Please don't forget to get your receipt from the taxi driver if you hire the taxi not online. Your credit card may not be acceptable to the taxi driver; however, you may pay using your credit card when you booked the taxi online.