# Practical Guide for International Participants

Conference on Several Complex Variables —  $L^2$  Estimates and Extensions (Sendai 2025)

Espace, 2nd Floor, Katahira North Gate Building Katahira Campus, Tohoku University, Sendai, Japan

Conference website

#### 1. Overview

This handout summarizes how to reach Sendai Station, how to get from airports to the hotel and venue, and where to eat and explore nearby. Times are typical; please check live timetables close to your travel date.

## 2. Getting to Sendai Station

## 2.1 From Narita International Airport to Sendai Station

## Option A:

Go to Tokyo Station from the airport (about 50–60 min) using JR Narita Express.

Go to Sendai Station from Tokyo Station (about 90 min) using Tohoku–Hokkaido Shinkansen.

## Option B:

Go to Keisei Ueno from the airport (about 40 min) using Skyliner.

Go to JR Ueno from Keisei Ueno (about 10 min) by walking.

Go to Sendai Station from JR Ueno (about 90 min) using Tohoku-Hokkaido Shinkansen.

#### 2.2 From Haneda Airport to Sendai Station

#### Option A:

Go to Hamamatsucho from the airport (about 20 min) using Tokyo Monorail.

Go to Tokyo Station from Hamamatsucho (about 10 min) by JR Yamanote Line.

Go to Sendai Station from Tokyo Station (about 90 min) using Tohoku–Hokkaido Shinkansen.

## 3. Sendai Station $\rightarrow$ Richmond Hotel Premier Sendai Ekimae

You can walk from the JR West Exit of Sendai Station to Richmond Hotel Premier Sendai Ekimae in about 3–5 minutes via the 2F pedestrian deck (look for the "North 4" area).

- Richmond Hotel Premier Sendai Ekimae
- 2-1-1 Chuo, Aoba-ku, Sendai-shi, Miyagi, Sendai Toho Building 5F, 980-0021
- $\bullet$  +81-22-722-0055
- richmondhotel.jp/sendai-ekimae/

# Walking route (map & QR):



Scan for live walking directions (Google Maps).

# 4. Richmond Hotel Premier Sendai Ekimae $\rightarrow$ Conference Venue

# 4.1 On foot (about 10-15 min)

Go to Katahira Campus from the hotel. Enter via the North Gate and go to the Katahira North Gate Building. The meeting room Espace is on the 2nd floor.



Scan for live walking directions to the North Gate Building (Google Maps).

# 4.2 The address of the venue

- Espace, 2nd Floor, Katahira North Gate Building, Katahira Campus, Tohoku University
- 2-1-1 Katahira, Aoba-ku, Sendai, Miyagi 980-8577, Japan

## 5. Places to Eat near Katahira Campus (about 10)

- 1. Sakura Kitchen (inside North Gate Commons). A campus-style cafeteria with quick teishoku, curry, and noodles—cheap, fast, and convenient.
- 2. Restaurant Hagi (inside the North Gate complex). A quiet sit-down spot for Japanese set meals and cafe items; good for unhurried lunches.
- 3. Gyutan Ryori Kaku (Vlandome Ichibancho area). Beloved local pioneer of thick-cut gyutan with deep flavor—expect a line at peak times.
- 4. Rikyu (branches near the station and downtown). Major gyutan chain with consistent charcoal-grilled sets, oxtail soup, and family-friendly seating.
- 5. Kisuke (Ichibancho area). Charcoal-grilled gyutan with a springy bite; add tororo and mugimeshi for the classic set.
- 6. Tanya Zenjiro (multiple branches incl. Gyutan Street at the station). Popular for varied cuts and generous portions; lines move quickly even when busy.
- 7. Date no Gyutan (Gyutan Street, Sendai Station 3F). Classic chain offering balanced gyutan set meals and convenient bento to go.
- 8. Sushi Street (inside Sendai Station; several sushi counters). Handy row of counters to sample local fish—fast, easy, and great between trains.
- 9. Shiogama Sushitetsu (S-PAL Sendai). High-quality nigiri highlighting fish from nearby Shiogama port; counter seating with seasonal specials.
- 10. Hikoichi (tempura & seasonal Japanese fare; Ichibancho). Light, crispy tempura and small seasonal dishes in a cozy setting—go early for a relaxed meal.

## 6. Bars & Nightlife in Kokubuncho (about 5)

(Kokubuncho is the main nightlife district; many small bars take cash, last orders around 22:30.)

- 1. Iroha Yokocho (retro alley of tiny bars and eateries). A Showa-era maze of tiny standing bars and snack joints—ideal for casual bar-hopping and cheap bites.
- 2. Bunka Yokocho (classic alley for bar-hopping and skewers). A nostalgic lane lined with yakitori/skewer spots and sake bars; many counters are cash-only.
- 3. CRAFTSMAN Sendai (craft-beer gastropub). A spacious craft-beer hub pouring many Japanese/international taps with shareable small plates.
- 4. HUB British Pub (Ichibancho). A lively UK-style chain pub for pints and pub grub with counter ordering and televised sports.
- 5. Pub The Swan (near Kokubuncho). A classic Western-style pub offering draft beer and whiskies in a relaxed, conversation-friendly setting.

# 7. Practical Tips

- IC cards & tickets: Suica/PASMO work on JR/subways/buses. Reserved Shinkansen seats are recommended in busy periods.
- Cash/ATMs: Many small eateries are cash-preferred. Seven Bank ATMs and JP Bank ATMs accept many foreign cards.
- Smoking: Most restaurants are non-smoking; some alleys/bars may allow it—check signage.

 $\bullet$   $\mathbf{Receipts:}$  Ask for "ryoshusho" (official receipt) if needed for reimbursement.

We wish you a pleasant stay in Sendai and a fruitful conference!