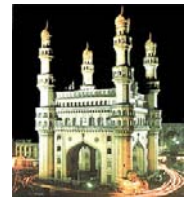


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## WELCOME

We look forward to welcoming you all to IJCAI-07 at Hyderabad. Hyderabad is the capital of Andhra Pradesh in India, a city with historical heritage, and now a hub of IT industry, besides Biotech & Pharma. India is a country of diversity and contrasts, where modern exists with the traditional. We hope that the ambience will provide a new direction to AI, to handle innovative challenges thrown up by development. AI areas that have their own specialized conferences now, may be encouraged to come back to contribute in IJCAI.

This invitation highlights the many planned activities during the packed week of the conference! At this time of year, there are several other technical events in Hyderabad, including major IT exhibitions, which IJCAI delegates can attend if they wish. The weather in January is ideal, with cool mornings and nights, and pleasant day times. Coinciding with this is the Gulf Information Technology Exhibition – GITEX-2007 that is being held at HITEX halls next to the HICC (which is the IJCAI-07 venue) from the 9 – 11 Jan'07.

Wishing all participants professionally a very fruitful IJCAI-07, happy and memorable stay in India!

Ramon/Manuela/Samy/Cynthia/Carles/Rajeev/Harish/Raji  
Members of the Conference Committee

## Technical Conference Programme

Visit the conference website – [www.ijcai-07.org](http://www.ijcai-07.org) – for the latest information on the conference programme. The complete technical programme will be posted on the website in October 2006. IJCAI-07 Call for technical papers has resulted in 1353 authors submitting papers which have been reviewed. 472 papers will be presented (213 Oral and rest in poster) in six parallel tracks, apart from ten Invited Talks including Key Note, Awardees talks in plenary sessions at HICC. In a unique and innovative way the special programme Committee has planned three oral presentations followed by poster displays and discussions in each session. This will allow researchers to share their findings to the delegates working world-wide in areas including constraint satisfaction, learning, knowledge representation & reasoning, multi-agent systems, natural language processing, planning and scheduling, robotics, search, uncertainty and web/information retrieval & data mining. AI applications including Art, Music, Artificial Life, Philosophical foundations, Mathematical Foundations will also be covered.

The dates and location of the different events for IJCAI-07 in Hyderabad is given below:

Tutorials	06 - 08 Jan 2007	IIITH/Infosys
Workshops	06 - 08 Jan 2007	IIITH/Infosys
Inauguration & Welcome Dinner	1800hrs on 8 Jan 2007	IIITH
Technical Programme	09-12 Jan 2007	HICC
Conference Banquet	1930hrs on 10 Jan 2007	Chowmohalla Palace
Symposium on 'AI in Industry' (parallel)	10 Jan 2007	HICC
Robo Competition (parallel)	08 Jan 2007	IIITH

## Distinguished Speakers

### Keynote Speaker

- **Raj Reddy**, Professor of Computer Science and Robotics, School of Computer Science, Carnegie Mellon University: 'Intelligent Systems and Robotics in Service of Society'

### Invited Speakers

- **Patrick Doherty**, Linköping University, Sweden:  
'Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Research: Challenges and Prospects'

- **Carole Goble**, University of Manchester, UK  
'The e-Scientist is the Semantic Web's Friend (or a Friend Of A Friend)'
- **Ken Goldberg**, University of California, Berkeley, USA  
'Sensitivity Analysis: Unexpected Outcomes in Art and Engineering'
- **Hideyuki Nakashima**, Future University, Japan  
'Cyber-Assisting Real World with Ambient Intelligence and Semantic Computing'
- **Martha Pollack**, University of Michigan, USA  
'Intelligence Assistive Technology: The Present and the Future'
- **Devika Subramanian**, Rice University, USA  
'Events, Patterns and Analysis: Forecasting International Conflict by Analyzing Wire News Stories'

### IJCAI-07 AWARDS

The Research Excellence award, Distinguished Service Award and Computers and Thought Award are presented at IJCAI conferences. Details of Awards, selection process and previous awardees are available on [www.ijcai.org](http://www.ijcai.org). During IJCAI-2007, the following AI experts will be honoured and will be giving their invited addresses:

#### Donald E. Walker Distinguished Service Award Speaker

- **Ronald J. Brachman**, VP of Worldwide Research Operations at Yahoo! Research

#### Research excellence Award Speaker

- **Alan Bundy**, University of Edinburgh, UK  
'Cooperating Reasoning Processes: More than just the sum of their parts'

#### Computers & Thought Speaker

- **Peter Stone**, The University of Texas at Austin, USA  
'Machine Learning in Multiagent Systems: Creating Complete Autonomous Agents in Collaborative and Adversarial Dynamic Environments'

### IJCAI-07 Inauguration & Welcome Dinner

The official Inauguration will be held at International Institute of Information Technology Hyderabad (IIITH) on Monday 08 Jan 2007 at 1800hrs. Ramon Lopez de Mantaras, IJCAI-07 Conference Chair, will chair the Opening Ceremony. President of India has been requested to inaugurate IJCAI-07.

Immediately following the Inaugural Session, a welcome reception and dinner will be hosted for all delegates and invitees at the International Institute of Information Technology. Delegates will have an opportunity to interact with all guests and will be entertained with Indian classical music. The Welcome Dinner is complimentary and included in the registration package.

### Symposium on AI & Industry (SAII)

IJCAI-07 Conference Committee in collaboration with Computer Society of India 'Special Interest Group on AI' (CSI-SIGAI), is organizing a symposium on AI in Industry, to help bridge the gap between the academia and industry with regard to use of AI techniques in practical applications. Participation is by Invitation Only for Indian Industry and AI Specialists. Registered participants of IJCAI-07 are welcome to register free. There are only limited seats for IJCAI-07 participants. Please register by sending an e-mail to Dr M Sasikumar, SAII Convenor, C-DAC, Mumbai e-mail: [sigai@cdacmumbai.in](mailto:sigai@cdacmumbai.in) by 15 Dec 2006. Details of the symposium will be available on our and CSI web sites (<http://sigai.cdacmumbai.in>), shortly.

### Robo Competition (IRoCha)

IIIT-Hyderabad is organizing a robotics competition to coincide with IJCAI 2007 at Robotics Research Center at IIITH on 8 Jan 2007. IRoCha is a contest that tests visual intelligence and mechanical ingenuity. The contest aims at the development of mobile robots that can effectively work in a wide variety of situations and environments. The challenge is to build robots that can perform tasks in realistic environments exploiting the recent developments in the areas of computer vision and mobile robotics. IRoCha is open to all motivated and interested individuals in the area of mobile robotics and computer vision. All IJCAI attendees are particularly welcome to participate and witness the contest.

#### *Robo-safari*

Theme: Help the robot visually recognize the objects in its environment, and to localize its position. Brief description of task: Develop a real-time vision system (hardware: laptop + camera) to be mounted on a given mobile platform. The vision system must detect, recognise and locate all instances of objects along the path of the robot. There are two competitions: Recognition and Localisation. Entries in only one or both contests are allowed.

#### *All terrain critter*

The robot has to move on five different types of terrain. Robots will race along the circuit one at a time and

will be given scores on the basis of their performance. The robot may be started by a button/switch at the beginning of the race once the judge starts the timer. After starting, the robot must be completely autonomous and move along the track negotiating obstacles without external control or intervention. Registration to the tutorials/workshops/IJCAI conference at greatly reduced rates are offered for IROCha contestants. Plus there will be fabulous prizes for the winners. Competitors may also be given hostel accommodation free.

**Important dates:** Pre– registration: 2 Nov, 2006

Date of contest: 8 Jan, 2007

(details will be posted on our web site <http://www.iiit.ac.in/IroCha/main/index.htm> soon)

### Tutorials Programme

20 Tutorials will be held at IIITH/Infosys campuses from 6 to 8 Jan 2007. The duration of each tutorial is 4hrs.

No.	Date	Author(s)	Title
T1	7 Jan (M)	Rajarshi Das, IBM T. J. Watson Research Center, Hawthorne, USA	AI and Autonomic Computing: A survey
T2	7 Jan (A)	Paul Cohen, University of Southern California, USA	Tutorial on Empirical Methods
T3	6 Jan (M)	D. Ghose and KN Krishnanand, Indian Institute of Science	Tutorial on Bio-Inspired Optimization Algs
T4	6 Jan (A)	M. Bernardine Dias, R. Tongia and Kentaro Toyama, Carnegie Mellon University, USA	Exploring non-traditional benefits of AI to the Global Society
T5	6 Jan (M)	Indergeet Mani, MITRE, USA	Temporal Information Extraction from Natural Language
T6	7 Jan (M)	Roman Bartak, Charles University, Czech Republic	Constraint Processing
T7	7 Jan (A)	Ranjani Parthasarathi and T.V. Geetha, Anna University, India	Traditional Approaches to Knowledge Management
T8	6 Jan (A)	P. Bhattacharyya, Indian Institute of Technology Bombay and G. Ramakrishnan, IBM India Research Labs	Graphical Models for Machine Learning in Natural Language Processing
T9	8 Jan (A)	Munindar Singh, North Carolina State University, Raleigh , USA and M. Hunhes, University of South Carolina, Columbia, USA	Agents for Web Services
T10	6 Jan (M)	Michael Thielscher, Dresden University of Technology, Germany	The Art and Science of Action Programming Languages
T11	8 Jan (M)	Hiranmay Ghosh, Tata Consultancy Services, India	Software Agents
T12	7 Jan (A)	S Kambhampati and D Bryce, Arizona State University, Tempe, USA	Planning Graph Based Reachability Heuristics
T13	8 Jan (M)	Jussi Rintanen, National ICT Australia	Reasoning about dynamic systems by satisfiability testing: planning, model-checking and diagnosis
T14	6 Jan (A)	P. Tadepalli, Oregon State University, Corvallis, USA, S. Mahadevan, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, USA and V. Borkar, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, India	Reinforcement Learning
T15	8 Jan (A)	D. Mladenic and M. Grobelnik, J. Stefan Institute, Ljubljana, Slovenia	Text mining and link analysis for web and semantic web
T16	7 Jan (A)	J. Lobo and Seraphin Calo , BM T. J. Watson Research Center, Hawthorne, USA	Policy Based Computing
T17	8 Jan (A)	P. Kulkarni, Capsilon India and PK Chande, Indian Institute of Management, Indore	Various learning methodologies for classification
T18	8 Jan (M)	J. Augusto, University of Ulster at Jordanstown, UK and Diane Cook, Washington State University , USA	Ambient Intelligence: applications in society and opportunities for AI
T19	6 Jan (M)	VK Jayaraman, National Chemical Laboratory, Pune, India and Vijayraghavan Sundararajan, Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC), Pune, India	Pattern Recognition and evolution methods for chem. And bio information
T20	6 Jan (A)	T. Pederson, University of Minnesota, Duluth, USA	Language Independent Methods of Clustering Similar Contexts (with applications)

## Tutorials at a Glance

6 Jan	T03	T04	T05	T08	T10	T14	T19	T20
7 Jan	T01	T02	T06	T07	T16			
8 Jan	T09	T11	T12	W13	T15	T17	T18	

**M = Morning session from 0900 to 1300hrs**

**A = Afternoon session from 1330 to 1730hrs**

## Workshops Programme

28 Workshops will take place at IIITH/Infosys from 06 to 08 Jan 2007. Participation is limited to those invited by the workshop organizers prior to the conference. Detailed descriptions and submission guidelines for each workshop can be found on the IJCAI-07 website – [www.ijcai-07.org/workshops.html](http://www.ijcai-07.org/workshops.html).

SNo	ID	Date	Title	Name of Primary contact
1	W01	6&7 Jan	2 <sup>nd</sup> Workshop on Artificial Intelligence Techniques for Ambient Intelligence	J.C. Augusto
2	W02	6 Jan	5 <sup>th</sup> Workshop on Agents Applied to Health Care	Ulises Cortes
3	W03	7&8 Jan	Nonmonotonic Reasoning, Action, and Change	Mary Anne Williams
4	W04	7 Jan	Semantic Web for Collaborative Knowledge Acquisition	Vasant Honavar
5	W05	7 Jan	Agent Organizations: Models and Simulations	Virginia Dignum
6	W06	8 Jan	5 <sup>th</sup> Workshop on Knowledge and Reasoning in Practical Dialogue Systems	David Traum
7	W07	8 Jan	Analytics for Noisy Unstructured Text Data	L. Venkata Subramaniam
8	W08	6 Jan	Knowledge and reasoning for answering questions	Leila Amgoud
9	W09	6 Jan	Cross lingual Information Access- Addressing the Information Need of Multilingual societies	Vasudeva Varma
10	W10	6 Jan	AI in ICT for Development	Kentaro Toyama
11	W11	8 Jan	Agent Technologies for Web 2.0	Kamal Karlapalem
12	W12	6 Jan	Music-AI	Rafael Ramirez
13	W13	7 Jan	Text-mining&Link-Analysis	Marko Grobelnik
14	W14	6 Jan	Multimodal Information Retrieval and Applications	Tanveer Syeda-Mahmood
15	W15	8 Jan	International Workshop on Attention in Cognitive Systems	Lucas Paletta
16	W16	8 Jan	Artificial Intelligence for Space Applications	Daniela Girimonte
17	W17	6 Jan	Evolutionary Models of Collaboration	Srinath Srinivasa
18	W18	8 Jan	3 <sup>rd</sup> International Workshop on Neural-Symbolic Learning and Reasoning	Pascal Hitzler
19	W19	6 Jan	AI for Human Computing	Maja Pantic
20	W20	7 Jan	Modeling and Representation in computational semantics	Gautam Sengupta
21	W21	8 Jan	Shallow Parsing in South Asian Languages	Sushama Bendre
22	W22	8 Jan	Knowledge Management and Organizational Memories	Rose Dieng, Nada Matta
23	W23	8 Jan	Distributed constraint Reasoning	Adrian Petcu
24	W24	7 Jan	Computational Models of Natural Argument	Chris Reed
25	W25	7 Jan	Complex Valued Neural Networks and Neuro-Computing: Novel Methods, Applications and Implementations.	Garimella Rama Murthy
26	W26	7 Jan	Mixed-Initiative Computing: A Confluence of Research and Evaluation	Michael T. Cox
27	W27	7 Jan	Multi Robotic Systems for Societal Applications	K. Madhava Krishna
28	W28	6 Jan	Spatial and Temporal Reasoning	Hans W. Guesguen



### Workshops at a Glance

6 Jan	W01	W02	W08	W09	W10	W12	W14	W17	W19	W28
7 Jan	W01	W03	W04	W05	W13	W20	W24	W25	W26	W27
8 Jan	W03	W06	W07	W11	W15	W16	W18	W21	W22	W23

Allotted class rooms/halls at IIITH and Infosys Hyderabad Centre will be finalized and put on the web site.

### Co-located IT related events in India during Dec-Jan 2007

Apart from Workshops and Tutorials being offered during IJCAI-07, from 6 to 8 Jan 2007, there are number of related and co-located events to be held prior during and after IJCAI 2007 in different parts of India relating to Information Technology. Participants of IJCAI-07 can take part in Events of their interest when visiting India. End of year and beginning of year provides the best periods in India for International events because of best climate and vacations period. There are many local festivals also, apart from Christmas and New Year!

1	ICON-2007	5th International Conference on 'Natural Language Processing'	IIITH	4 – 6 Jan 2007	<a href="http://www.iiit.ac.in/icon2007">www.iiit.ac.in/icon2007</a>
2	ICVGIP-2006	Fifth Indian Conference on Computer Vision, Graphics & Image Processing	Madurai	13-16 Dec 2006	<a href="http://www.cse.iitd.ac.in/~icvgip">www.cse.iitd.ac.in/~icvgip</a>
3	ISSAC-2006	The 17 <sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Algorithms and Computation	<a href="http://www.isi.ac.in">Indian Statistical Institute (ISI)</a> , Kolkata	18-20 Dec 2006	<a href="http://www.isical.ac.in">www.isical.ac.in</a>
4	FSTTCS-2006	26th Conference on Foundation of SoftwareTech &Theoretical Computer Science	<a href="http://www.isi.ac.in">Indian Statistical Institute (ISI)</a> , Kolkata	13-15 Dec 2006	<a href="http://www.fsttcs.org">www.fsttcs.org</a>
5	ENDOCRYPT-2006	7 <sup>th</sup> International Conference on Cryptology in India	Kolkatta	11-13 Dec 2006	<a href="http://www.iscal.ac.in">www.iscal.ac.in</a>
6	HiPC-2006	13th Conference on High Performance Computing	Bangalore	18-21 Dec 2006	<a href="http://www.hipc.org">www.hipc.org</a>
4	ICTDIT-2006	3 <sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Distributed Computing anf Internet Technology	Bhubhaneshwar	20-2 Dec 2006	<a href="http://www.citconference.com">www.citconference.com</a>
5	ADCOM-2006	Advance Computing and communication Conference	Mangalore	20-23 Dec 2006	<a href="http://www.adcom2006.nitk.ac.in">www.adcom2006.nitk.ac.in</a>
6	ICAPR-2007	6 <sup>th</sup> International Conference on Advance Pattern Recognition	Kolkata	2-4 Jan 2007	<a href="http://www.isical.ac.in">www.isical.ac.in</a>
7	VLSI-2007	20 <sup>th</sup> International Conference on VLSI Design	Bangalore	6-10 Jan 2007	<a href="http://www.vlsiconference.com">www.vlsiconference.com</a>
8	GITEX-2007	Annual Exhibition of Software/Hardware by AP Govt	Hyderabad	9-11 Jan 2007	<a href="http://www.dwtc.com">www.dwtc.com</a> <a href="http://www.gitexhyderabad.com">www.gitexhyderabad.com</a>
9	CSI-2006	Annual Convention	Kolkata	23-25 Nov 2006	<a href="http://www.csi-india.org">www.csi-india.org</a>
10	ISIS-2006	International Symposium on Information Systems	ISB, Hyderabad	18-20 Dec 2006	<a href="http://www.isb.edu">www.isb.edu</a>
11	NLASSC-2007	International Workshop on Numerical Linear Algebra in Signals, Systems and Control	I.I.T., Kharagpur	9-11 Jan 2007	<a href="http://www.iitkgp.ac.in/nlassc">www.iitkgp.ac.in/nlassc</a>

**PARTICIPANTS ARE ADVISED TO GET TOUCH WITH ORGANISER DIRECT FOR DETAILS!**

### **Social Event - Conference Banquet at Chowmahalla Palace on Wed, 10 Jan 2007**

Chowmahalla Palace, situated near the Mecca Masjid was built in 1750 by Salabat Jung and is a replica of the Shah of Iran's Palace in Teheran. This palace has been selected as the venue for a very special evening that will leave you with fond memories for a long time.

Guests will receive a traditional welcome, and then will be escorted to the main palace or Khilwat Darbar in 250 year old royal buggies. Here you can watch a Kathak programme presented by 36 artistes, during which cocktails and typical Hyderabad snacks will be served. The show will be followed by a Chowki style dinner where authentic Hyderabad food will be served. A nominal fee of US\$ 50 / INR 2,100 per person will be charged for all participating in this important social event. To know more about the Chowmahalla Palace, please visit: <http://www.chowmahalla.com>.

### **Yoga and Meditation Programme**

Local Arrangements Committee (LAC) of International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI-07) is planning to have Special Yoga programmes at IIIT Hyderabad/Infosys Hyderabad Centre on all the days of the conference, for the benefit of participants. Yoga is the ancient and traditional Indian way of "well being"! The objectives of the programme is to help participants take charge of their bodies, minds and spirits; learn to relax by observing, how healthy changes such as reduction in breathing rate etc., rejuvenate your physical system.

The programmes will be conducted by Yogacharya Vinayak Ji, who is an able exponent of the Yogic way of life. He has had a salutary influence on many people from all over the world. Presently, at IIIT Hyderabad, he is involved in research and development of a comprehensive database for an interactive online guidance system of yoga therapy and its application to various ailments.

There are three different kinds of packages for the benefit of the participants (including accompanying persons) to choose from, depending on their need and time availability.

**I. Special Yoga Program (9-12 Jan 2007) Free** for Registered delegates/accompanying guests from 0600 to 0700hrs Morning and Evenings (1800 – 1900hrs) and will cover:-

- Sukshma Vyayam Yoga
- Basic asanas (or postures)
- Deep relaxation technique
- Pranayama (breathing technique)

**II. Holistic Yoga and Meditation Program (2 Full days): Duration: 6 – 7 Jan 2007: Time: 0530 – 2100hrs**

#### **Program Schedule:**

0530 – 0615 – Inner Journey & Meditation  
0630 - 0800 – Ladies Problems and Pranayams  
0930 – 1030 – Yogic Stress management  
1100 – 1200 – Yoga at your work place  
1400 - 1500 – Spondylities  
1530 – 1630 – Yogic Stress management (Practical)  
1645 – 1715 – Yogic Counseling  
1800 – 1900 – Back pain  
2000 – 2100 – Eye problems

**Fee:** 2 days- \$100, 1 Day- \$50, Per Session: \$35 which includes 'YUKTAHAR' (special food).

**III. Comprehensive Yoga Programme (Need based Yoga for participants needing help)**

**Duration:** 09 – 12 Jan 2007

#### **Sessions:**

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|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Stress Management | 6. Blood Pressure |
| 2. Back pain         | 7. Diabetes       |
| 3. Spondylities      | 8. Eyes           |
| 4. Arthritis         | 9. Sinus          |
| 5. ladies Problems   |                   |

**Timings:** As per convenience of participants

**Fee:** Per Session \$35

**House Rules:** (a) Please be punctual and Regular (b) Do not over ride your physicians advice (c) Come in loose and comfortable clothe

#### **Guidance**

Shri Yogacharya Vinayak ji, Intenational Institute of information Technology, NBH, Room No. 34, Gachibowli, Hyderabad 500 032, Ph. No - 040-2300 0173, 040 - 2300 1967 ext. 227.

You can enroll for any of the above three yoga packages, by sending an e-mail to [vinayak@iiit.ac.in](mailto:vinayak@iiit.ac.in).

## Registration Information

### Participant Registration for IJCAI-07

Conference attendees must register in advance. All fully registered participants are entitled to the following:

- Participation at the Inaugural and all Technical Sessions
- Opening reception and Welcome Dinner following the Inauguration
- Refreshments and lunches at the Conference on all days
- CD containing the proceedings of the Conference
- Programme abstracts and Conference Kit
- Free admission to GITEX-2007 Exhibition / Events at HITEX from 09 to 11 Jan 2007
- Common shared transportation from central location to venue on all days

Hard copy of the proceedings will also be available at an additional charge of US\$ 75 / INR 3150 to Participants booking and making payment before 1Dec 2006.

To register for IJCAI-07, please complete the forms included and forward the same to the Conference Secretariat. Alternatively, you may register online [www.kwconferences.com](http://www.kwconferences.com).

Accompanying Guests must be registered using the appropriate space on the registration form. Please provide full names of the guests, as all guests will be issued a badge for entry to the Welcome Reception. Please note that entry is not permitted to the Conference sessions for Accompanying Guests.

### Early Registration Deadline

To take advantage of the reduced registration rates, all registration forms must be submitted by **03 Nov 2006**.

### Registration Information for Participants

Registration fee for IJCAI-07 Conference is as follows:

Conference Fee	Early Bird Fee by 03 Nov 2006 USD / INR	Late Fee between 04 Nov & 31 Dec 2006 USD / INR	Onsite Fee 1 Jan 2007 onwards USD / INR
Registration Fee	600 / 25,200	700 / 29,400	800 / 33,600
Student Registration Fee*	300 / 12,600	350 / 14,700	400 / 16,800
Accompanying Guest Fee	75 / 3,150	Same	Same

*\*Please note that student rates are only applicable to participants who will have full-time student status on 01 August 2006. A letter verifying this status must accompany all registration forms. Letters must be signed by either a supervisor or head of department. If you register via the website a letter verifying student status must be sent by hard copy to the IJCAI-07 Secretariat and must be carried in person and presented at the time of collecting the registration kit*

### Tutorial Programme Fee

IJCAI-07 Participants are encouraged to participate in the tutorial programme. Participants can also register for more than one tutorial. Prices quoted below are per tutorial. It is also possible to register only for a tutorial without registering for IJCAI-07 by paying the Tutorial only fee.

Tutorial Fee	Early Bird Fee by 03 Nov 2006 USD / INR	Late Fee between 04 Nov and 31 Dec 2006 USD / INR	Onsite Fee 1 Jan 2007 onwards USD / INR
Tutorial Fee	100 / 4,200	190 / 8,000	245 / 10,300
Student Tutorial Fee*	50 / 2,100	75 / 3,150	110 / 4,600
Tutorial Only Fee	270 / 11,300	Same	Same
Student Tutorial Only Fee *	150 / 6,300	Same	Same



The Tutorial Registration Fee for Delegates / Students includes the following:

- Admission to one tutorial
- A copy of the syllabus and Tutorial Materials
- Lunch & Tea / Coffee
- Tutorial Kit
- Common shared transportation from central location to venue on all days.

### Workshop Fee

Workshop registration is limited to those active participants determined by the workshop organiser prior to the conference. Participants can register for more than one workshop. Prices quoted are per workshop. It is also possible to register only for a workshop without registering for IJCAI-07 by paying the workshop only fees.

Workshop Fee	Early Bird Fee by 03 Nov 2006 USD / INR	Late Fee between 04 Nov and 31 Dec 2006 USD / INR	Onsite Fee 1 Jan 2007 onwards USD / INR
Workshop Fee (1day)	85 / 3,600	140 / 5,900	170 / 7,100
Student Workshop Fee (1day)*	70 / 2,900	110 / 4,600	150 / 6,300
Workshop Fee (2 days)	130 / 5,400	210 / 8,800	255 / 10,700
Student Workshop Fee (2 days)*	105 / 4,400	165 / 6,900	225 / 9,450
Workshop Only (1day)	225 / 9,450	Same	Same
Student Workshop Only (1day)*	160 / 6,700	Same	Same
Workshop Only (2 days)	300 / 12,600	Same	Same
Student Workshop Only (2 days)*	225 / 9,450	Same	Same

The Workshop Registration Fee for Delegates / Students includes the following:

- Admission to one workshop
- A copy of the working notes
- Lunch & tea / coffee
- Workshop Kit
- Common shared transportation from central location to venue on all days.

### Registration Cancellations & Refunds

- Cancellations must be received at the Secretariat by letter, fax or email.
- For cancellations received after 03 December 2006, there will be no refund
- No refunds of applicable taxes will be made
- Bank charges if any will not be refunded
- All refunds will be made after the conclusion of IJCAI-07

## Accommodation

### A. Hotel Accommodation

Local Arrangements Committee (LAC) has been making every effort to provide all participants good and affordable accommodation. Accommodation is available in a number of hotels in Hyderabad. Accommodation is also available different Hostels near IIIT/ Infosys campuses. Delegates may like to book their accommodation direct or through their travel agents!

Owing to the high demand for accommodation in Hyderabad in Jan 2007, all accommodation must be reserved before 01 Nov 2006.

The LAC, with the help of KW Conferences has worked out special concession rates with leading hotels in all categories. Bookings and rates cannot be guaranteed after this date. We recommend early booking, as the city hotels are likely to be very busy.

Name of Hotel	Distance from HICC	Room Category	Tariff (INR)	Tariff (USD)
NOVOTEL	0 kms	Sgl	8,325	185
		Dbl	9,225	205
ITC Kakatiya Sheraton*	12 Kms	Sgl	8,470	198
		Dbl	9,570	226
Taj Banjara	10 Kms	Residency Sgl	8,250	193
		Residency Dbl	8,800	209
Taj Residency	10 Kms	Residency Sgl	8,250	193
		Residency Dbl	8,800	209
Taj Krishna	10 Kms	Deluxe Sgl	8,800	209
		Deluxe Dbl	9,900	237
Hotel Golkonda	12 Kms	Premium Sgl	4,620	127
		Premium Dbl	5,280	132
Green Park*	14 Kms	Deluxe Sgl	4,395	102
		Deluxe Dbl	5,495	128
Indian School of Business	8 Kms	Deluxe Sgl	4,950	115
		Deluxe Dbl	6,050	141
Katriya	12 Kms	Deluxe Sgl	5,500	132
		Deluxe Dbl	6,600	154
Amrutha Best Western	16 Kms	Deluxe Sgl	3,800	88
		Deluxe Dbl	4,300	100

The above rates are inclusive of breakfast. All applicable taxes and transaction charges will be additional. Current rates of taxes are: Luxury Tax – 5% (this is on the published rack rate of the hotel and not on the above specially negotiated conference rates) Service Tax – 4.89% and Credit Card Transaction fees – 2%. The exact amount payable will be advised to participants at the time of booking.

Hotel bookings will be confirmed against credit card guarantees. Please download the credit card authorization form and fax/post/email it to the Conference Secretariat (KW Conferences Pvt. Ltd.) at fax no.

+91 124 410 2075 or [ijcai-07@kwconferences.com](mailto:ijcai-07@kwconferences.com). Your card will be charged for one night's tariff (plus applicable taxes) after 3rd November 2006 and after 3rd December 2006, your card will be charged for the entire duration of Hotel booking requested by you.

All above Hotels have their cancellation policy and terms of payment/Refund. Please ensure that you book only if you agree to the following general Cancellation/Refunds policy being ensured by KWC on your behalf.

#### Hotels Cancellations & Refunds

- Cancellations must be received at the Secretariat by letter, fax or email.
- For cancellations received on or before 03 November 2006, Bank charges if any will be deducted from any refund issued
- No refunds of applicable taxes will be made
- For cancellations received after 03 November 2006, there will be no refund
- All refunds will be made after the conclusion of IJCAI-07

#### B. Hostels Accommodation

The following University/Guest House/Technology Centre Hostels accommodation is available at special rates (ranging from \$3 - \$75) Rs.100/- - 3,000/-. These will be allotted by LAC-07 Secretariat on a first come first serve basis!

- ICRI SAT – International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (7kms)
- IDRBT – Industrial Development and Research in Banking Technology (12kms)
- ASCI– Administrative Staff College of India (6kms)
- JNIDB– Jawaharlal Nehru Institute for Development Banking (4kms)
- IIIT Hyderabad (4kms)
- Infosys (4kms)
- Satyam Technology Centre (25kms)

Centralized pick-up by Buses/Vans will be provided on all days for participants to Venue and return. All participants (particularly Students) desirous of availing this facility are advised to give their schedule (duration of booking) and firm requirement by sending advance for full stay at the per day rates.

	Category	Rates	Distance to the venue
I	A/c Hostel Superior	\$75/ INR 3000	4kms 4kms
II	A/c Hostel Deluxe	\$50/ INR 2000	7kms 12kms
III	A/c Hostel Standard	\$25/ INR 1000	6kms 25kms
IV	Non A/c Students Executive Hostel	INR 200	4kms 25kms
V	Non A/c Students Sharing Hostel	INR 100	4kms

Full payment in advance will be required at the time of Booking for Hostel Accommodations. For enquiries on Hostel accommodation please contact Mr V.V.Ramana, Manager Administration, IIIT, Hyderabad at [ramana@iiit.ac.in](mailto:ramana@iiit.ac.in). Queries regarding payments for hostel rentals will be handled by Mr Arjun Name at [arjun@kwconferences.com](mailto:arjun@kwconferences.com).

## **Financial support**

### **A. IJCAI Travel Grants Program**

IJCAI is pleased to announce the continuation of its Travel Grants Program for students, junior scientists and scientists interested in attending IJCAI-07.

#### **Application Procedure**

Due to limited availability of funds for the IJCAI Travel Grants Program, applicants, especially students, should first approach their local AI society for support before applying to IJCAI.

Applicants should submit a letter of request to the IJCAI Secretary-Treasurer at s-t@ijcai.org, no later than 15 Oct 2006. A decision will be notified by 25 Oct 2006.

#### **Letter of request should include:**

- the status of the applicant (student, junior faculty, etc.) with evidence of existing interest and expertise in AI
- type of planned participation in the IJCAI-07 program (accepted technical session or workshop paper, etc.)
- an estimate of attendance costs
- the results of approaching the local AI Society for support
- whether any other sources of support are available to the applicant
- a case for support that includes reasons why IJCAI should make the grant to the applicant and
- a letter of support (for students only) from the applicant's advisor/head of department.

A post-conference report and receipts totaling the grant amount will be required after the conference in order to receive the grant. In the event that travel grant applications exceed available funds, preference will be given to students who have an accepted technical paper, and then to students who are actively participating in the conference in some way.

#### **Applications should be submitted to:**

IJCAI Travel Grants Program  
c/o Dr Ramasamy Uthurusamy  
IJCAI Secretary-Treasurer  
80, Grosse Pines Drive  
Rochester Hills, MI 48309, USA  
Telephone: -1-313-667-4669  
FAX 1-313-667-4966  
Email: s-t@ijcai.org

### **B. Asian/Developing Countries Support**

A special Asian Fund has been created to assist deserving participants from Asian/developing countries who are unable to pay the full registration fee, for partial support towards their registration fees for Conference, Tutorials and Workshops. This does not cover travel or stay support.

All such participants, including students wanting to avail financial support, should contact the Chairperson of the Asian Fund by e-mail: asianfund@ijcai-07.org before 15 Oct 2006 with the following details. A decision will be notified by 25 Oct 2006.

- the status of the applicant (student, junior faculty, etc.) with evidence of existing interest and expertise in AI
- type of planned participation in the IJCAI-07 program (accepted technical session or workshop paper, etc.)
- the results of approaching the local Organization/Society for support
- whether any other sources of support are available to the applicant
- a case for support that includes reasons why IJCAI should provide partial support to the applicant and a letter of support (for students only) from the applicant's advisor/Head.

#### **Applications should be submitted to:**

Dr A K Pujari, Dean, School of Mathematics and Computer/Information Sciences  
University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad 500 046  
Tel: +9140 2313 4114 (Direct) +91-40-2313 4000  
Tele-Fax: 91-40-2301 1683/ 2301 0560  
e-mail: akpcs@uohyd.ernet.in

### C. IJCAI-07 Student Volunteers

International Joint Conferences on Artificial Intelligence [IJCAI] is pleased to announce the continuation of its student volunteers for assisting smooth conduct of IJCAI-07 events including tutorials/workshops and conference to be held in Hyderabad, India during January 6-12, 2007.

#### Application Procedure

Due to limited number of volunteers required for IJCAI-07, the offer is limited to deserving students only who are on rolls on 01 Aug 2006. The student volunteers will be offered free registration for full duration of tutorials/workshops and conference. However, they will have to bear all expenses related to their travel and accommodation at Hyderabad from 5 to 13 Jan 2007. Applicants should submit a letter of request to the volunteer Coordinator Dr Suryakanth V Gangashetty by e-mail [svg@iiit.ac.in](mailto:svg@iiit.ac.in), no later than 15 Oct 2006 with following details. A decision will be notified by 25 Oct 2006.

- the status of the student (UG/PG/PhD) with evidence of existing interest and expertise in AI
- type of participation in the IJCAI-07 program (accepted technical session or workshop paper, etc.)
- an estimate of attendance costs
- the results of approaching the local AI Society for support
- whether any other sources of support are available to the applicant
- a case for support that includes reasons why IJCAI should make volunteer offer to the applicant

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### LOCAL TOURS FOR DELEGATES AND ACCOMPANYING GUESTS

The following Day-long tours will be organised on all the days of the conference so as to cater to delegates and accompanying guests all of whom may find time on different days.

- a. The costs are based on minimum of **10 persons** in a mini air-conditioned deluxe coach
- b. Services of a special guided tour of the city
- c. Lunch for the full day tours – Golconda/Shahi Tombs & Ramoji Film City
- d. Entrance fees to the Studio and Monuments
- e. Mineral water during the tour
- f. All presently applicable taxes

#### **Golconda Fort & Qutab Shahi Tombs (On 7 and 9 Jan 2007)**

Visit Golconda Fort - founded in the 13th century and rebuilt by the Qutab Shahis, who made it their capital in 1525. It was they who laid out its splendid monuments and parks, and designed the famous acoustic system by which a handclap sounded at the gates can be heard right up at the citadel. About a kilometre from the Golconda fort are the tombs of the Qutab Shahi rulers. The tombs are domed structures built on a square base surrounded by pointed arches. The galleries of the smaller tombs are of a single storey while the larger ones are usually two-storied. In the centre of each tomb is a sarcophagus that overlies the actual burial vault in a crypt below. The domes were originally overlaid with blue and green tiles of which now only a few pieces remain.

**Cost: USD 46 per person/Rs.1,980**

#### **Golconda Fort – Sound & Light Show (Daily from 6 – 11 Jan 2007)**

There will be an additional programme on all evenings to see the Sound & Light show at the Golconda Fort, which showcases the history of Hyderabad. The coaches will leave at 6 PM on all days.

**Cost: USD 24 per person/Rs.1,000**

#### **Mecca Masjid, Salar Jung Museum & Charminar (On 8 and 10 Jan 2007)**



Originally started by Sultan Mohammad Quli Qutab Shah, the Mecca Masjid was completed by the Mughal Emperor Aurangazeb in the 17th century. It is the largest mosque in the twin cities and can accommodate upto 10,000 worshippers at prayer.

The Salar Jung Museum - reputed to be the world's largest one-man collection, houses around 35,000 antiques and art objects collected by Salar Jung III, the former Prime Minister of the Nizam of Hyderabad. The 36 halls of the museum display an intriguing array of treasures. These include the finest crystal and porcelain, an assemblage of statues that include the veiled Rebecca, Margarita, Mephistopheles, miniature paintings, illuminated manuscripts, fabulous jewelled weapons, including the Empress Nurjehan's dagger and the Nawab's own diamond-encrusted sword, priceless collection of jade, ivory and bronzes and a fascinating variety of clocks. The most important historical exhibits are the turban and ivory chairs of Tipu Sultan of Mysore.

You will also visit Charminar, located in the heart of the old city. This magnificent edifice built by Sultan Mohammad Quli Qutab Shah, is the unique symbol of Hyderabad. A small mosque is located on the roof of the edifice. All around the Charminar is a bustling bazaar of pearl and jewellery shops, perfume and attar dealers. Close by is the *Laad Bazaar* or the bangle alley with rows of shops selling lacquer and glass bangles.

**Cost: USD 65 per person/Rs.2,800.**

#### **Ramoji Film City (on 11 and 12 Jan 2007)**

One of the world's largest integrated film studio complexes, of nearly 2,000 acres, Ramoji Film City (RFC) is also one of Asia's most popular tourism and recreation centres. Opened in 1996, it is located about 25 kms from Hyderabad, India. Established by the Ramoji Group, RFC offers comprehensive and international-standard pre-production, production, and post-production resources for film makers.

RFC offers over 500 set locations - a chance to be a part of the magic, allure and grandeur that defines the very spirit of fun, entertainment and relaxation! Twenty international films, and nearly forty Indian films can be produced simultaneously in the complex. The RFC infrastructure includes: custom-designed locations & mock-ups, set construction, properties & costumes, shooting stages, cameras and equipment, audio post-production, digital post-production / SFX as well as film processing. **Cost: USD 60 per person/ Rs.2,580**

#### **PRE- AND POST-CONFERENCE TOURS**

The tours listed below are being offered both before and after the Conference. Please ensure that you book your tours at the earliest to ensure confirmation of the preferred tour. If there are not adequate number of registrations the organizers reserves the right to cancel a tour and give a refund. Final confirmation of tours will be provided as soon as adequate registrations are received or latest by Jan 1, 2007.

#### **Tour Costs include:**

- a. Accommodation on Twin sharing on **Room** with **Breakfast** basis
- b. Arrival, departure transfers, sight-seeing, excursion, surface travel using an air conditioned Mini Coach
- c. Service of an English speaking local guide
- d. Entrance fees at the monuments
- e. Still camera fees at the monuments
- f. Boat ride and elephant ride where applicable
- g. Mineral water during sightseeing, surface travel and excursions
- h. All currently applicable taxes

#### **Costs do not include:**

1. Airfare for travel
2. Any expenses of personal nature such as telephone calls, laundry, table drinks including soft drinks and mineral water during meals.
3. All tips and gratuities.
4. Any government taxes that may be applicable in the future.
5. Airport tax, if applicable.
6. Any other expenses not specifically mentioned to have been included above.

#### **Aurangabad/Mumbai**

**Duration:** 2 nights/3 days - From 5<sup>th</sup> Jan'07 to 8<sup>th</sup> Jan'07 & from 12<sup>th</sup> Jan'07 till 15<sup>th</sup> Jan'07.

**Cost per person:** USD 545/ INR 22,890/- (twin/double sharing)

**Single Room supplement:** USD 167/ INR 7,014/- per single room

**Golden Triangle – Delhi/Agra/Jaipur**

Duration: 2 nights/3 days – From 6<sup>th</sup> Jan'07 to 8<sup>th</sup> Jan'07 & from 13<sup>th</sup> Jan'07 till 15<sup>th</sup> Jan'07

**Pre-Conference Rates:**

**Cost per person:** USD 505/ INR 21,210/- (twin/double sharing)

**Single Room supplement:** USD 170/ INR 7,140/- per single room

**Post-Conference Rates:**

**Cost per person:** USD 485/ INR 20,370/- (twin/double sharing)

**Single Room supplement:** USD 155/ INR 6,510/- per single room

**Exclusive South India – Chennai/Bangalore/Mysore**

Duration: 3 nights/4 days – From 4<sup>th</sup> Jan'07 to 8<sup>th</sup> Jan'07 & from 12<sup>th</sup> / 13<sup>th</sup> Jan till 15<sup>th</sup> / 16<sup>th</sup> Jan'07

**Cost per person:** USD 710/ INR 29,820/- (twin/double sharing)

**Single Room supplement:** USD 311/ INR 13,062/- per single room

Interested participants are requested to contact;

**Ms Chhobi Chowdhury****International Ventures & Travel (I) Pvt Ltd**

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Fax: +91 124 4017842 / 4018644

e-mail: [chhobi@ivatindia.com](mailto:chhobi@ivatindia.com)

URL: <http://www.ivattravel.com/>

Customised tours can also be arranged on request.

**Payments**

Payment of fees must accompany all Registration Forms. Registration will not be confirmed until payment is received. All payments must be in US Dollars or Indian Rupees, using one of the following Payment Modes. All Bank charges, if any will be charged extra from the delegates.

**Mode I: By Bank Transfer: Using SWIFT**

Remittance in US Dollars to be made to:

Chase Manhattan Bank, 270 Park Avenue. New York, N.Y. 10017, USA

Nostro Account No. of UTI Bank: 0011407376

SWIFT Code: CHASUS33

For further credit to:

Name of bank: UTI Bank Ltd, B-81 Defence Colony,  
New Delhi 110 024, India

Account No: 357010200000578

Account Holder: KW Conferences Pvt Ltd

SWIFT Code: UTIBINBB002

**Mode II: By Credit Card** – MasterCard or VISA. Details available in the Registration Form

**Mode III: By Demand Draft (only for INR payments)**

Demand Draft should be made in favour "KW Conferences Pvt Ltd – IJCAI 07" payable at **New Delhi, India** (for participants in India). This should be mailed or sent by Courier along with the application form to the IJCAI conference secretariat. At the following address:

IJCAI-07 Secretariat

c/o KW Conferences Pvt Ltd

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Gurgaon 122 002. Haryana, INDIA

Tel: +91 124 410 2071 – 74

Fax: +91 124 410 2075

Email: [ijcai-07reg@kwconferences.com](mailto:ijcai-07reg@kwconferences.com)

Please Note: In all modes date of receipt of Payment in IJCAI-07 account will be taken as date of Registration of the delegate.

**For any clarification on Registrations and payment mode please contact:-**

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KW Conferences Pvt Ltd  
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**General Information**

**Hyderabad – Host City**

The capital of the state of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad is the fifth largest city in India with an ancient civilisation and culture. Secunderabad is a twin city of Hyderabad. The twin cities of Hyderabad and Secunderabad are separated by the Husain Sagar, an artificial lake constructed during the time of Ibrahim Quli Qutb Shah Wali in 1562 A.D.

The city is nearly 400 years old and is noted for its natural beauty, mosques and minarets, bazaars and bridges, hills and lakes. It is perched on the top of the Deccan Plateau, 1776 ft., above sea level, and sprawls over an area of 100 Sq. miles.

A multitude of influences have shaped the character of the city. Its palaces and buildings, houses and tenements, gardens and streets have a history and an architectural individuality of their own, which makes Hyderabad a city of enchantment.

**Language**

Main languages spoken in Hyderabad are Telugu, Urdu and Hindi. English is widely spoken except in most rural areas.

**Local Time**

Indian Standard Time (IST) is 5.5 hours ahead of GMT.

**Climate and Weather**

Summer Max 40°C Min 25°C  
Winter Max 25°C Min 11°C  
Annual Rainfall 400 mm to 2,500 mm

In January, the weather is likely to be mild, with an average temperature of 18 degrees C, heavy woolen is not required. However, as the weather is not predictable, it is advisable to bring a sweater/wind-sheeter. Daylight is from 0600 to 1830hrs.

**Arrival & Departure**

You will arrive at Hyderabad Airport on domestic and international flights. The terminal has 24 hour snack bars, 24 hour currency exchange, left luggage facility, first-aid and pay phones. Please go through the Green Channel if you have less than US\$ 10,000 on your person or if you have no unaccompanied baggage. Please use the Red Channel if you have anything to declare and if you are carrying foreign currency in excess of US\$ 10,000.

**How to reach Hotel/Hostel/IITH/Infosys/HICC**

A Help Desk will be setup at the Airport to receive all the participants and arranged vehicle to concerned hotel/hostels is at the delegate cost. The present pre-paid taxi from Begumpet Airport to HICC/Novotel is USD \$18.

## Flights to Hyderabad

### Key Airline Links

Lufthansa German Airlines – [www.lufthansa.com](http://www.lufthansa.com)

01 JAN 07 - 28 JAN 07 - operates on all days of the week

FRANKFURT/HYDERABAD

Sunday 1105# 0015 - LH 752

Wednesday 1110# 0015 - LH 752

Tuesday 1115# 0020 - LH 752

Monday, Thursday, Saturday 1115# 0020 - LH 752

HYDERABAD/FRANKFURT 0210# 0745 – LH 753

Singapore Airlines – [www.singaporeair.com](http://www.singaporeair.com)

01JAN07-28JAN07 operates on Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Sunday

SINGAPORE/HYDERABAD 2115 2315 SQ 438

01JAN07-28JAN07 operates on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday

HYDERABAD / SINGAPORE 0030 0740 SQ 439

Thai Airways – [www.thaiair.com](http://www.thaiair.com)

01JAN07-28JAN07 operates on Monday, Wednesday, Friday

BANGKOK /HYDERABAD 1030 1240 TG 329

HYDERABAD/BANGKOK 1335 1825 TG 330

Malaysia Airlines – [www.malaysiaairlines.com.my](http://www.malaysiaairlines.com.my)

01JAN07-28JAN07 operates on Tuesday, Friday, Sunday

KUALA LUMPUR /HYDERABAD 2230 0005 MH 198

01JAN07-28JAN07 operates on Monday, Wednesday, Saturday

HYDERABAD/KUALA LUMPUR 0120 0805 MH 199

Air Lanka – [www.srilankan.lk](http://www.srilankan.lk)

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COLOMBO /HYDERABAD 0725 0925 UL 175

01JAN07-28JAN07 operates on Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Sunday

COLOMBO /HYDERABAD 1800 2000 UL 177

01JAN07-28JAN07 operates on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Sunday

HYDERABAD/COLOMBO 1025 1225 UL 176

01JAN07-28JAN07 operates on Monday, Saturday

HYDERABAD/COLOMBO 2100 2300 UL 178

Emirates – [www.emirates.com](http://www.emirates.com)

01JAN07-28JAN07 operates on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

DUBAI/HYDERABAD 0345 0840 EK 526

01JAN07-28JAN07 operates on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday

DUBAI/HYDERABAD 2200# 0250 EK 524

01JAN07-28JAN07 operates on Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Sunday

HYDERABAD/DUBAI 0415 0640 EK 525

01JAN07-28JAN07 operates on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

HYDERABAD/DUBAI 1015 1240 EK 527

(However please check with your local travel agent for the latest schedule)

**Flying time between major metro cities and Hyderabad**

Delhi to Hyderabad – 2 hours

Mumbai to Hyderabad – 1 hour 15 mins

Chennai to Hyderabad – 1 hour

Bangalore to Hyderabad – 1 hour

**Passport and Visa requirements**

You are advised to contact the Indian Embassy/High Commission/Consulate in your country in order to obtain a visa of entry. Please apply for your visa in advance. Your travel agent may also be able to help you. Nodal ministries have been notified of the conference.

Foreign visitors entering India must have a passport valid for at least 6 months after their date of entry in India, except in the case of nationals of Bhutan and Nepal who need only carry suitable means of identification.

The list of Indian diplomatic missions abroad can be found at [www.embassyworld.com/embassy/india.htm](http://www.embassyworld.com/embassy/india.htm).

Visa forms may be downloaded from [www.india-visa.com](http://www.india-visa.com). In case of difficulty in obtaining a visa or if you need an invitation letter, please contact the IJCAI-07 Secretariat.

- Necessary action has been taken by us to obtain the relevant approvals from Government of India.
- Delegates travelling on Tourist Visas are also permitted to attend IJCAI-07.
- For any Hyderabad reference that may be required on the VISA form, the following information may be given:

Dr R K Bagga

Co-Chairman, Local Arrangements Committee (LAC)

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**Currency**

The currency in India is the Rupee, which comes in denominations of 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 500 and 1,000. Please use authorized money changers and banks to change currency. They will issue a certificate of exchange which is required at the time of re-conversion of any unused currency. Under the Foreign Exchange Management Act 1999, it is an offence to exchange foreign currency other than through authorized money changers or banks.

**Insurance and Liability**

The Organizers do not take responsibility for any individual, medical, travel or personal insurance. Participants are advised to secure their own insurance policies before departure in their countries as necessary.

While every attempt is made to ensure efficient, trouble-free hospitality, including hotel accommodation, sightseeing and tours, participants are advised that no liability accrues to the organizers in case of any necessary modifications such as change in itineraries for tours due to delays or cancellations of flights/other exigencies beyond the organizers' control.

**Health**

Please consult with your physician regarding health precautions prior to visiting India. If you are coming from or have visited Africa, South America or an area infected with Yellow Fever within five days prior to your arrival in India, proof of inoculation against Yellow Fever is required.

**Electricity**

The voltage in India is 220 volts. Should you wish to use appliances of 110 volts, most Conference Hotels will provide adaptors on request but it may be useful to carry your own for convenience.

**Smoking Policy**

All conference rooms are non-smoking areas

**Tips**

There is no compulsion to tip anyone for any service rendered. If you choose to do so, the traditional tip is in the region of 10%.



**For any further clarifications please contact**

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**Please send your registration forms, along with your payments to**

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