



16th World Sanskrit Conference, Bangkok

June 28-July 02, 2015

SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear Colleagues,

Sawasdee! The 16th World Sanskrit Conference Organising Committee wishes you all well from Bangkok, Thailand! We are delighted to receive quite a good number of paper proposals so far from as many as 42 countries. As we go now busy to give final touch to the logistics, the following information would facilitate your plan to be here:

SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS/PAPERS

We have received quite a good number of abstracts and paper proposals from over 42 countries. However, we have yielded to requests made by some of conveners and panel organisers to extend the date. Therefore, the new deadline for ONLINE SUBMISSION of abstracts is **November 30, 2014.** However, we are unable to take up any new panel proposal. The new extended deadline stands valid for any submission BOTH FOR scheduled sessions and the submitted panel. The publication of WSC papers in book form is responsibility of the local organising committee as in the past. Hence, there is a definite plan to publish some volumes out of the papers and get them released on the last day of the Conference. And, also, we do plan to publish all volumes out of the 16th WSC by the end 2015. Therefore, we would make request to all presenters to finalise their papers as early as possible and reach us so that the conveners and panel organisers are requested to take up the job of giving final shapes of volumes.

TRAVEL PLAN

Bangkok is full of vibrance and life and everything is back to normalcy. There is no issue whatsoever which may affect our Conference at any stage. Bangkok is one of the most connected airports in the world where over 127 airlines from 66 countries fly in and out. Those coming from Cambodia, India, Malaysia and Myanmar would find very cheap way to reach Bangkok by AIR ASIA (for details, see www.airasia.com). **Thai Airways** do fly regularly from 12 cities in India, 6 cities from Japan, 3 places in South Korea etc. (www.thaiairways.com) and they have very attractive offer from time to time to Bangkok. Same is true for flying in from Europe as Thai Airways offer special discount for end June on its online web portal. Singapore is another hub which connects Bangkok for the flights from Australia, USA and other parts of the world. **THE INAUGURATION OF THE CONFERENCE IS ON JUNE 28, 2015 AT 09:00 MORNING, and CONFERENCE IT CLOSES ON JULY 2, 2015 AT 15:00 NOON.** Please make your travel plan accordingly.

VENUE

16th WSC will be held in one of the city's best Hotel, **Hotel Renaissance**, a Marriott property in the heart of the city. For special rates, please see the section on **HOTEL ACCOMMODATION** below.

VISA

The visa policy of Kingdom of Thailand permits people from 48 countries to enter Thailand without a visa for **30-day visa-free stay**. In addition to this, travellers from 28 countries can have the facility of visa-on-arrival (including India as well) for a **14-day maximum stay (provided your passport remains valid till 31st December 2015)**. For details, please visit: www.mfa.go.th/main/en/services/123

REGISTRATION FEES

The registration fees remain the same as shown in the chart given in the FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT. As we are running on a shoe-string budget, please note, the transaction fee for both ends in sending/receiving the amount has to be borne by sender. Please note, as we have to make payment for the venue and guarantee its meal for the days of the Conference, there shall be no refund of fee whatsoever after April 15, 2015. Please email all details of transfer to us at worldsanskrit@hotmail.com

IMPORTANT DATES

Deadline for Abstract Submission:	Date is Over!
Early registration Fee ends:	January 30, 2015
Late registration Fee begins:	February 02, 2015
Pre/Post Conference Trip Payment ends:	March 15, 2015

Third Announcement:	March 30, 2015
Final Announcement:	May 15, 2015

ACCOMMODATION

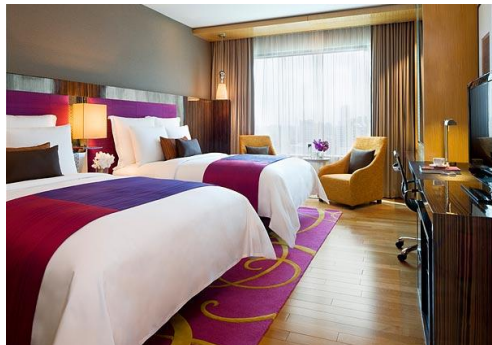
For the convenience of the REGISTERED participants, select accommodation in the venue Hotel (**Hotel Renaissance**) has been especially priced. This special price would remain valid **from June 24 to July 06, 2015 for our Conference guests**. HOTEL PAYMENTS ARE REQUIRED TO BE PAID TO US ONLY (Not at the Hotel) at the bank account details of our University as given below. As this low price has been secured through prepayment made by us last week, we would solicit your entire stay payment in advance along with your other payments. In the event of **cancellation of your attendance of the WSC**, total **accommodation amount** will be refunded *except one night deposit and transfer cost*. Such **refund request** must reach us **before April 15, 2015**(Thailand Standard Time). ALL RECIEPTS WILL BE ISSUED BY THE 16TH WSC SECRETARIAT AND WILL BE GIVEN TO YOU ON ARRIVAL. If you require any invoice, let us know. A second choice of Hotel will be posted here soon.

***** Five Star Deluxe

Renaissance Bangkok Ratchaprasong Hotel (Fully Booked) **(A luxury & Lifestyle Marriott Hotel)**

Hotel Renaissance brings the **renowned Marriott hospitality** to our guests from the world over. It offers the picturesque downtown Bangkok view from the rooms.

High speed Wi-Fi connectivity in the room; Gym, Swimming pool and Bar; 40" LCD TV; In-room Coffee/tea making facility, and bathtub, 24-hour room service Interactive cable television with In-house movie channels, **individually controlled air-conditioning**, Minibar and refrigerator, Non-smoking floors, Shoeshine service, and newspapers.



ROOM CATEGORY	Room rate (Fully Booked)	
	Single	Double/Twinshare
Deluxe	US\$115	US\$140

Buffet Breakfast and all 12 % taxes are included

We have entered an agreement with **Hotel Holiday Inn** (4 Star) which is at distance of 1.5 Km from the venue, but well connected by metro train (3rd stop; 5 minutes) to the **Hotel Renaissance**.

ROOM CATEGORY	Room rate	
	Single	Double/Twinshare
Deluxe	US\$80	US\$100

Buffet Breakfast and all 12 % taxes are included

We have entered an agreement with Budget hotel (3 Star) **Hotel Bangkok City Inn (Fully Booked)** which is at distance of 0.5 Km from the venue, from where one can walk to the **Hotel Renaissance**, Our conference venue.

ROOM CATEGORY	Room rate (Fully Booked)	
	Single	Double/Twinshare

Deluxe	US\$50	US\$60
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Buffet Breakfast and all 12 % taxes are included

MONEY TRANSFER ACCOUNT DETAILS

Account Name: Sanskrit Studies Centre. **Account No.:** 114-214959-6. **Swift Code:** SICOTHBK
The Siam Commercial Bank Pcl., Thaprachan Branch, 17, 19 Prachan Road, Pranakorn, Bangkok 10200, Thailand.

(Please cover all transaction cost while transferring the money.)

CONFERENCE TOURS

There have been **changes in the plan of the Pre-Conference Tours**. Now we offer only one tour of **Bang Pa-In Palace and Ayutthaya City**, and that would be **for one day only on June 27, 2015**. For details on Tour (both pre-conference and post-conference), please click: http://sanskrit-silpakorn.org/images/pdf/WSConference_tours.pdf

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