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The 98<sup>th</sup> WG1 – JPEG Meeting will take place in Sydney, Australia, from 16 to 20 January 2023.

## **REGISTRATION**

The 98<sup>th</sup> ISO/IEC JTC 1/ SC 29 WG1 meeting will be held in Sydney, Australia, 16-20 January 2023. Delegates are kindly requested to register through the ISO meetings portal at <https://sd.iso.org/meetings>

## **INFORMATION**

⇒ Ad hoc Group Meeting Venue (14-15 January 2023)

**UTS, Building 11, 15 Broadway, Ultimo, NSW 2017, Australia**

⇒ Meeting Venue (16-20 January 2023):

**Level 9, Exchange Centre, 20 Bridge Street, Sydney**

⇒ Request for invitation letter (Visa purposes): [events@standards.org.au](mailto:events@standards.org.au)  
(Please provide your full name, organisation name, address, nationality, passport number)

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

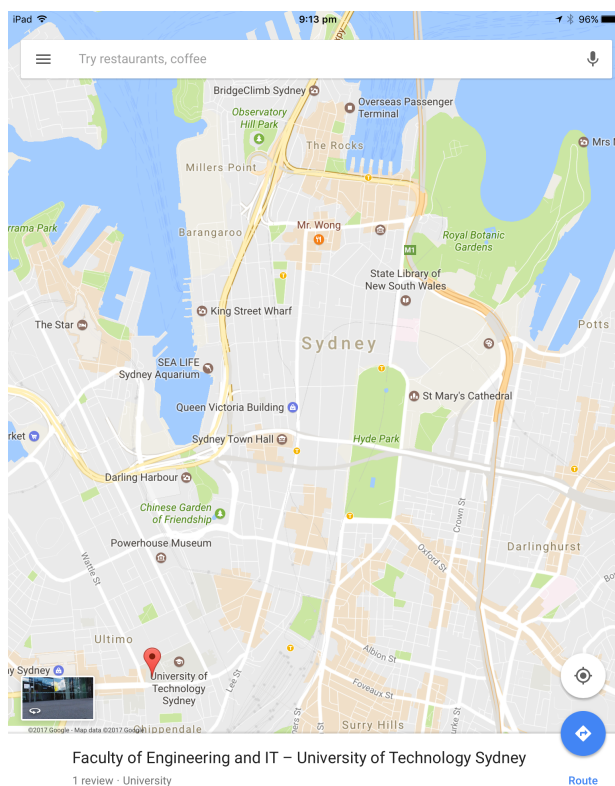
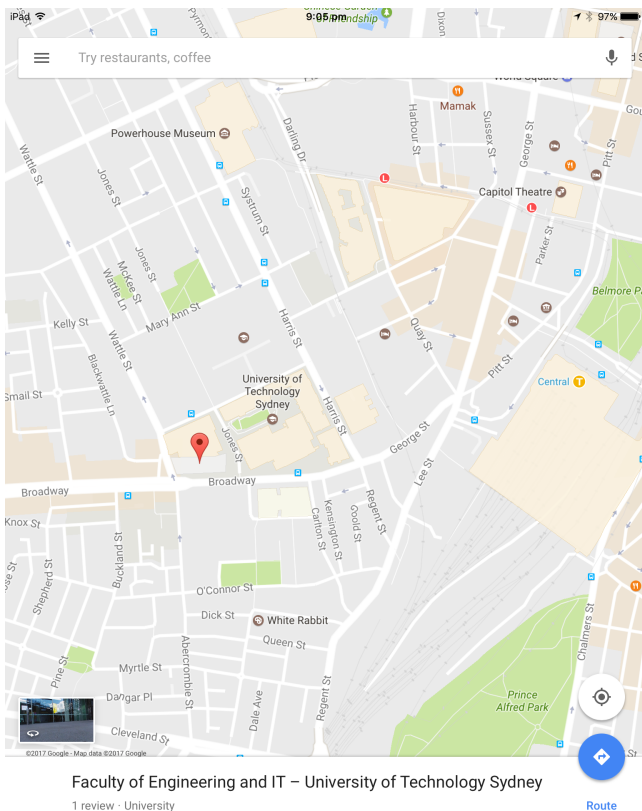
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## **Organisation Details for Ad hoc Group Meetings for the 98<sup>th</sup> JPEG Meeting in Sydney, Australia.**

Ad hoc Group Meetings on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023 will be hosted by the Faculty of Engineering and IT, University of Technology Sydney.

Venue: UTS, Building 11, 15 Broadway, Ultimo, NSW 2017, Australia



### **Logistics:**

UTS is conveniently located near Central Station (Southern Concourse Exit) in the southern part of the Sydney Central Business District. Trains run frequently from stations in the Central Business District such as Town Hall, Wynyard and Circular Quay to Central Station, taking less than 10 mins to arrive at Central Station. Central Station is the largest train station in Sydney with convenient connections to the outer suburbs of Sydney, Sydney Airport and destinations outside of the city. Rooms will be available at UTS for the AhG meetings. The majority of the rooms will be in Building 11. Volunteers will be available to guide delegates to the meeting rooms. Each room has equipment for AV display. Wifi access will also be provided as well as equipment to facilitate on-line access for remote participants.

On Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>, access to the building will be open and additional security provided to allow delegates free movement into and out of the building as well as between the meeting rooms. Further details will be provided about room locations within the building closer to the event.

Contact Person:

For further enquiries, please contact A/Prof Stuart Perry on [Stuart.Perry@uts.edu.au](mailto:Stuart.Perry@uts.edu.au) or +61 437 709 946

### **Hotel information**

The hotels below are within walking distance from the Standards Australia office at

Level 9, Exchange Centre, 20 Bridge Street, Sydney.

#### **Radisson Plaza Hotel Sydney**

27 O'Connell Street, Sydney, NSW 2000

Phone: +61 2 8214 0000

Email: [res.sydplaza@radisson.com](mailto:res.sydplaza@radisson.com)

[http://www.radisson.com/sydneyau\\_plaza](http://www.radisson.com/sydneyau_plaza)

#### **Amora Jamison**

11 Jamison Street, Sydney, NSW 2000

Phone: +61 2 9696 2500

Fax: +61 2 9696 2600

Email: [admin@sydney.amorahotels.com.au](mailto:admin@sydney.amorahotels.com.au)

<http://www.amorahotels.com>

#### **Four Seasons Hotel Sydney**

199 George Street, Sydney, NSW 2000

Phone: +61 2 9250 3100

<http://www.fourseasons.com/sydney>

#### **Sydney Marriott Hotel**

30 Pitt Street, Sydney, NSW, 2000

Phone: +61 2 9259 7000

<http://www.marriott.com.au/hotels/travel/sydmc-sydney-harbour-marriott-hotel-at-circular-quay/>

#### **Intercontinental Sydney**

117 Macquarie Street, Sydney, NSW 2000

Phone: +61 02 9253 9000

<https://www.sydney.intercontinental.com/>

#### **Travelodge Wynyard Sydney Hotel**

7-9 York Street Sydney NSW 2000

Phone: +61 2 9274 1222

Email: [twys@travelodge.com.au](mailto:twys@travelodge.com.au)

<http://www.travelodge.com.au>

Please also look at the following certified accommodation deal websites for alternate accommodation:

- <https://www.wotif.com/>

- <https://www.lastminute.com.au/>

## **TRAVEL INFORMATION**

### **Passports, Visas and Vaccinations**

All travellers to Australia, other than Australian and New Zealand citizens, require a valid authority to enter Australia, either a visa or an Electronic Travel Authority (ETA). Visas are available from Australian diplomatic offices such as Australian Embassies, High Commissions and Consulates. Electronic Travel Authorities (ETAs) are issued electronically by participating travel agents connected to one of the major computer reservation systems, from the reservation office of a participating airline or via the Australian ETA app via your appstore.



More information is available from the Australian Government's Department of Immigration's website, <http://www.immi.gov.au/>. Should you require a letter of invitation, please email [events@standards.org.au](mailto:events@standards.org.au) at Standards Australia for assistance. Information on COVID precautions can be found at:

<https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/covid19/entering-and-leaving-australia>

### **Quarantine**

Australia has strict quarantine regulations regarding imported goods. Australia is free from many pests and diseases found elsewhere in the world. It is vital that you declare any food, plant or animal items upon arrival, including fresh and packaged food, fruit, eggs, meat, vegetables, seeds, animals, wood and plants. You can dispose of these items at bins found in international airports.

Quarantine regulations are strictly enforced, and penalties are very high. When you arrive in Australia, if you have any doubts about an item in your possession, declare it, and a Customs Officer will assess it. More information is available from the Australian Government Department of Agriculture website, <http://www.agriculture.gov.au/travelling/to-australia/advice-to-travellers>

### **Duty free**

Duty-free concessions in Australia are different to those in other countries. Most personal items such as new clothing, footwear, and articles for personal hygiene and grooming (excluding fur and perfume concentrates) may be brought into Australia in your accompanied baggage, free from duty and tax.

For other goods, limits apply. These include goods that are purchased overseas and goods that are purchased in Australia duty or tax free (that have been previously exported), or from an inwards duty-free shop on arrival into Australia. Also included are goods for which a TRS claim has been made.

A Guide for Travellers is available at the Australian Government Department of Home Affairs website, <https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/>

### **Travel Insurance**

The organisers and hosts cannot accept any responsibility for accidents, losses and/or damages that may occur. Delegates are advised to obtain travel, medical, personal accident and luggage insurance in their home countries prior to departure.

### **TRANSPORT TO & FROM THE AIRPORT**

Located in Mascot, Sydney Airport is approximately 8km from the central business district. Sydney Airport is easily accessible by all modes of transport including car, train, taxi or bus.

All terminals, T1 International, T2 Domestic and T3 Domestic, can be easily found by following signs to the airport - usually displayed by a simple aeroplane symbol. Most major routes will feature the symbol at decision points.

### **Taxi**

Each terminal has its own sheltered taxi rank with supervisors on hand in peak hours to ensure a smooth flow of taxis for travellers. The approximate taxi fare from Sydney Airport to the City is \$50 Australian Dollars. This fare is based on non-peak traffic conditions. Passengers pay for any bridge or road tolls on top of the fare. A \$3.00 airport toll is payable by all passengers taking a taxi from any of Sydney Airport's taxi ranks.

### **Taxi Tips**

Drivers are required to accept all fares, large and small, from the airport. The kerbside management team will help you and your driver with this request. Please note that taxis are not permitted to pick up passengers outside of the taxi ranks and the driver will be fined \$5,000 for breaking the regulation.

### **Train**

There are rail stations located at both the International and Domestic Terminals. The Domestic rail station is located directly between T2 and T3 Terminals and is accessible from within the terminals from the arrivals level.

The International rail station is located at the northern end of the terminal and is accessible from the arrivals level. Travel by the City Airport Link is a fast and convenient way to reach the centre of Sydney. Trains run approximately every 10 minutes and the journey into the city takes approximately 13 minutes. The International and Domestic rail stations link directly to the City Circle railway stations which means most city destinations are within a short walk of stations.

Please visit the website for further information on <https://transportsw.info/>

### **Train travel to the Suburbs**

Tickets can be purchased to all Sydney stations from the Airport rail station. Simply catch the train from the Airport rail station to Central station and change for all suburban services.

### **Train travel between Terminals**

Airport Link offers a \$5.00 (one way, per person) transfer ticket for passengers transferring between T1 International and T2/T3 Domestic Terminals. For more information visit [www.airportlink.com.au](http://www.airportlink.com.au)

### **Bus Shuttle Service**

KST Airport Shuttle bus services are available from Sydney's Domestic and International Airports to the City, Kings Cross and Darling Harbour.

Return: \$32 per person

One Way: \$18.00 per person

Please book online via <https://kst.com.au/BookOnline.aspx>

Prices are subject to change.

### **Rental Car**

Car Rental services at Sydney Airport are provided by the following operators. You'll find the car rental desks located on the arrivals level at the terminal.

AVIS

Phone: 13 63 33

[www.avis.com.au](http://www.avis.com.au)

HERTZ

[www.hertz.com.au](http://www.hertz.com.au)

THRIFTY

Phone: 136 139

[www.thrifty.com.au](http://www.thrifty.com.au)

BUDGET

Phone: 1300 362 848

[www.budget.com.au](http://www.budget.com.au)

RED SPOT RENTALS

Phone: 1300 668 810

[www.redspotrentals.com.au](http://www.redspotrentals.com.au)

EUROPCAR

Phone: 1300 13 13 90

[www.europcar.com.au](http://www.europcar.com.au)

## **CURRENCY AND CREDIT CARDS**

The basic unit of currency is the Australian Dollar. Notes come in AUD 100, AUD 50, AUD 20, AUD 10 and AUD 5 denominations. Coins come in 5c, 10c, 20c, 50c, AUD \$1 and AUD \$2 denominations.

The current exchange rate can be checked at <http://www.xe.com/ucc/>

Major credit cards such as American Express, Visa, MasterCard and Diners Club are widely accepted. ATMs (Cash points) are very commonplace throughout Australia, and generally accept a wide range of cards, including Cirrus/Maestro cards.

In the event of a lost or stolen credit card or cheques, call the company immediately:

**AMERICAN EXPRESS**

Credit cards 1300 132 639

Travellers' cheques 1800 688 022

**DINERS CLUB**

1300 360 060

**MASTERCARD**

1800 120 113

**VISA**

1800 125 440



## **TAX REFUNDS**

Australia has a Goods and Services Tax (GST) of 10%, which by law is always included in the displayed or marked price. For tourists buying goods in excess of \$300 as part of a single purchase, a refund of the tax is available when they are exported. This is obtained through the Tourist Refund Scheme (TRS) desk at your airport of departure. Please note, however, that most Australian shops serving tourists do provide a tax-free purchasing option on presentation of a valid passport and airline ticket. TRS does not apply in these cases.

## **ELECTRICITY**

This plug has a grounding pin and two flat prongs forming a V-shape. There is an ungrounded version of this plug as well, with only two flat V-shaped prongs. Australia's standard plug/socket system is used in applications up to 10 amps. The electric supply in Australia is 230 volts a.c. 50 Hz. You will need an adaptor to fit your plug into an Australian 3 pin socket. Adaptors are readily available at local stores and airports.

If your standard electric supply is 110 volts (North America/Japan), you will need an adaptor (which changes the shape of the plug) and a converter (which changes the voltage). Do not make the mistake of just using the adaptor unless the appliance you are using has a voltage switch on it.



## **EMERGENCY NUMBERS**

**In case of emergency, dial 000.** This number connects to the ambulance, fire and police services. From analogue phones, 000 will connect callers, although many newer digital phones require the user to dial 112, the international standard emergency number. Consult your carrier if you are uncertain how to access the 000 emergency network.

### **Telephone Useful Tips**

- The country code for Australia is 61. The city code for Sydney is 02. To telephone Sydney from an overseas country: International dialling code + 61 + 2 + Local Number.

- International Directory Inquiries is 1225. The International dialling code is 0011. For dialling to an overseas country from Sydney: 0011 + Country Code + Area Code + Local Number.

## **OPENING HOURS**

### **Banks**

Central branches of major banks have foreign exchange facilities. (Fees apply) Trading hours: Mon-Thurs 9.30am-4pm, Fri 9.30am-5pm. Limited Saturday services are available at some banks and building societies.

### **Department Stores**

Generally, shops do not stay open late in Australia. Most major shopping centres are open from 9am to 5.30pm Monday through Friday and 9am to 8pm on Thursday or Friday; 9am to 5pm on Saturday, and 10am to 4pm on Sunday.

### **Post Offices**

Post Offices are open from 9am-5pm on Monday to Friday. Some suburban post offices are open on Saturdays. Most large hotels will be able to assist you with any postal services you may require.

### **Supermarkets**

The two main supermarket operators Woolworths and Coles generally trade between 6am and 12 midnight 7 days a week, although some inner-city stores in Sydney operate 24 hours a day.

## **SMOKING**

Smoking is not permitted within public buildings in Australia and is not permitted at all on public transport, including domestic air flights.

## **TIPPING**

Whilst a tip is not essential and you should not feel obliged, it is appreciated for good service. A 10% tip is widely accepted as the standard in restaurants. In a taxi, a tip of \$1-\$2 is usual.

No service charges are added to hotel and restaurant bills.

## **USEFUL LINKS**

### **Airlines**

<http://www.qantas.com.au>

<http://www.jetstar.com.au>

<http://www.webjet.com.au>

## **Climate**

<http://www.bom.gov.au/>

Sydney during January can tend to be hot and humid with average daily highs of 26° Celsius and average daily lows of 19° Celsius, however days above 35° Celsius are not uncommon. Ultra-Violet radiation levels are higher in January than any other month of the year, so attendees are strongly advised to wear sun protection such as hats, sunscreen or clothing that covers arms and legs when going outside for extended periods. During January even periods of sun exposure as short as 10mins during midday can result in unpleasant sunburn.

## **Public Holidays**

<https://publicholidays.com.au/new-south-wales/2022-dates/>

## **Travelling & Sightseeing**

<https://www.australia.com/en/>

Tourist and general information in English, German, Italian, French, Japanese, Spanish and Portuguese languages

<https://www.property.nsw.gov.au/visitors>

Information regarding accommodation and entertainment in and around Sydney

<https://www.whereis.com/>

Australian travel maps, street directory and driving directory.

<https://www.truelocal.com.au/>

Australia's most popular business information, culture, lifestyle and entertainment directory.