



North Pacific Fisheries Commission

NPFC-2027-COM11-MIP01

DETAILS FOR THE MEETINGS OF TCC, FAC AND COM

6-15 April 2027

Hakata (Fukuoka), Japan

The 10th TCC meeting, 9th FAC meeting, 11th Commission meeting will be held in Hakata, Japan from 6-15 April 2027. To facilitate your travel arrangement, the Secretariat has prepared information for your reference as below.

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DATES:

The meetings commence on 6 April and carry on through to 15 April 2027 as follows:

- 10th TCC meeting, 6-9 April (3 days)
- 9th FAC meeting, 10 April (1 days)
Day off, 11 April
- Head of Delegation (HOD) Meeting, in the morning (12 April)
- 11th Commission meeting, 12-15 April (4 days)

VENUE OF THE MEETINGS

The meetings will be held at the **Fukuoka International Congress Center**, in Fukuoka, Japan:

International Conference Room 501, 5F,

2-1 Sekijo-machi, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka City, Fukuoka 812-0032 ([Google Maps](#))

<https://www.marinemesse.or.jp/eng/congress/>

MEETING CONTACT DOCUMENTATION

Online pre-registration for meeting participants is on the NPFC website www.npfc.int. Please log in to be able to register. To support meeting planning please register by **19 March 2027**.

VISA INFORMATION

Please access the webpage of Japan consular services from the link below to determine if you need a visa to enter Japan.

Link: https://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/index.html

An official invitation letter is essential for participants to apply for a Japanese visa. Each delegation that applies for a Japanese visa is kindly requested to provide the information in Attachment 1 to Mr. So Fukazawa (so_fukazawa330@maff.go.jp) and Ms. Yuri Hayashi (yuri_hayashi210@maff.go.jp) of the Fisheries Agency of Japan **by 19 February 2027**. If you cannot meet the deadline, please inform them by the due date that your submission will be delayed, along with the date when you expect to submit.

Please note that if they do not receive the required information, without prior notice of the delay, by 16 March 2027, it is highly likely that your visa will not be processed in time.

ACCOMMODATION

Each participant is responsible for making his or her own hotel arrangements. You are encouraged to make your reservations early due to room availability for the duration of the meeting to avoid having to move rooms/hotels. A few options for accommodation are listed below.

Hotel Name	Transportation	Reservation
Hotel Hakata Place 3-16 Chikkohonmachi, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka 812-0021	5 min walking	https://hotel-hakataplace.com/en/ Phone: (+81) 92-404-7770
Hotel Okura Fukuoka Hakata Riverain, 3-2 Shimokawabatamachi, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka 812-0027	18 min walking	https://fukhotelokura.jp/en/ Phone: (+81) 92-262-1111
Hotel Monterey La Soeur Fukuoka 2-8-27 Daimyo, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka 810-0041	26 min walking 20 min direct bus	https://www.hotelmonterey.co.jp/en/lasoeur_fukuoka/ Phone: (+81) 92-726-7111

JR Kyushu Hotel Blossom Fukuoka 2-4 Hakataekihigashi 2-chome, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka 812-0013	32 min walking 14 min direct bus	https://www.jrk-hotels.co.jp/en/Fukuoka/ Phone: (+81) 92-413-8787
Sun Palace Hotel 2-1 Chikkohonmachi, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka, 812-0021 *Please note that support may only be available in Japanese.	1 min walking	https://www.f-sunpalace.com/ (Japanese only) Phone: (+81) 92-272-1123

TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION AND ACCESS TO THE MEETING VENUE

<https://www.marinemesse.or.jp/eng/congress/>

From Fukuoka International Airport to Fukuoka International Congress Center

(For Participants Arriving by Air)

Via Tenjin (Subway + Bus)

- Route: Take the Airport Line subway from Fukuoka Airport to Tenjin Station.
Then take a bus from “Tenjin Solaria Stage-mae” to “Kokusai Kaigijo / Sun Palace-mae.”
- Duration: about 30 minutes
- Fare: 470 JPY

Via Hakata (Subway + Bus)

- Route: Take the Airport Line subway from Fukuoka Airport to Hakata Station.
Then take a bus from “Hakata Station Nishinippon City Bank-mae (Stop F)” to “Kokusai Kaigijo / Sun Palace-mae.”
- Duration: about 27 minutes
- Fare: 520 JPY

From Hakata Station to Fukuoka International Congress Center

(For Participants Arriving by Shinkansen)

- Route: Take a bus from “Hakata Station Nishinippon City Bank-mae (Stop F)” to “Kokusai Kaigijo / Sun Palace-mae.”
- Duration: about 15 minutes
- Fare: 260 JPY

REGISTRATION AND MEETING CONDUCT

Participants will be able to register and pick up their meeting package from 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. on the first day of each meeting. If this registration time is not convenient for you, please ask the Secretariat staff for your registration.

In accordance with the [NPFC Document Policy](#) revised by COM08 in April 2024,

- (1) submitted documents shall be accessible for Members, CNCs, Observers and the public, unless the author of the document directs that the document remain solely available to NPFC Members. Please indicate in your meeting document if it contains confidential or sensitive information and you want it to be posted on the Members' domain only;
- (2) the Secretariat will provide participants with the Meeting Information Papers and other meeting documents on-line. Limited printed copies will be available at meeting registration. In general, hard copies of meeting documents will not be available at the meeting unless a Member or CNC makes a request 14 days prior to the meeting;
- (3) The format of meeting documents should follow the guidelines outlined in the NPFC Document Policy. Please use the official [NPFC letterhead](#) posted on the website.

When revising submitted meeting papers, participants are strongly encouraged to use the file version posted on the meeting webpage, with document number and edits made by the Secretariat.

The meetings will be held in a hybrid format. Participants are advised to use their laptops to share their presentations via Webex and view meeting documents shared by other participants.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Meeting participants are invited to receptions:

- 12 April, (time TBD) – hosted by Secretariat (location TBD)
- 6 April, (time TBD) – hosted by the Fisheries Agency of Japan (location TBD)

In addition, the Secretariat plans to organize social activities. The details will be announced later.

OTHER INFORMATION

Electricity

The voltage in Japan is 100 Volt. Japanese electrical plugs have two, non-polarized pins which fit into North American outlets, as shown on the picture. A portable plug adaptor may be necessary to use your electronic devices.



Useful links

Sightseeing spots, transportation and other information <https://www.crossroadfukuoka.jp/en>

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Police

Emergency call – 110

Fire, Ambulance or

Emergency call – 119

Emergency Rescue

Disaster information app "**Safety tips**" by Japan Tourism Agency, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (in 14 languages):

- Android

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=jp.co.rcsc.safetyTips.android>

- iPhone

<https://itunes.apple.com/jp/app/safety-tips/id858357174?mt=8>

For Android



For iPhone



If you have any questions regarding visas, please do not hesitate to contact:

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If you have any questions regarding meeting preparations, please do not hesitate to contact:

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Attachment 1

Fisheries Agency of Japan is willing to prepare an Invitation Letter for your visa application to attend the NPFC meetings.

Please provide a list which includes the following information for each participant.

* Please provide the name as it appears on your passport.

First Name:

Last Name:

Sex (F/M):

Nationality:

Organization:

Title:

Passport Number:

Passport type (official or general):

VISA type (official visa or short-term visa):

Date of Birth:

Date of Issue:

Date of Expiry:

Passport Issuing Authority:

Period of Stay in JAPAN:

Place of Applying for VISA (Embassy or Consulate of Japan):

Arrival Airport:

Departure Airport:

Hotel Name:

Documents that you are required to submit with this attachment are below.

- A copy of passport (optional)
- A copy of note verbal in case of travel with official passport or general passport and official visa.