

# Asia Pacific Fisheries Commission



32<sup>nd</sup> Session &  
4<sup>th</sup> Regional Consultative Forum Meeting

Da Nang, Socialist Republic of Viet Nam,  
17-22 September 2012

# Information note



Towards achieving sustainable fisheries and aquaculture management

## Dates and Venue

The APFIC 4<sup>th</sup> Regional Consultative Forum Meeting (RFCM) **Improving management and governance of fisheries and aquaculture in the Asia-Pacific** and the **32<sup>nd</sup> Session** of the Asia-Pacific Fishery Commission (APFIC) will take place in Da Nang, Viet Nam.

### Dates:

- **17 to 19 September:** APFIC 4<sup>th</sup> Regional Consultative Forum Meeting (RFCM) “Improving management and governance of fisheries and aquaculture in the Asia-Pacific”
- **20 to 22 September:** 32<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Asia-Pacific Fishery Commission (APFIC)

Both meetings will take place at the same venue.

### Venue:

Sandy Beach Non Nuoc Resort Da Nang (The venue hotel)

Address: Non Nuoc Beach  
255 Huyen Tran Cong Chua Street  
(Truong Sa)

Ngu Hanh Son District

Danang City, Viet Nam

Telephone: (+84) 511 3961 777

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Visit this link for information on the hotel:

<http://www.sandybeachdanang.com.vn/>

## General information about Da Nang

Da Nang City is located in the middle of Central Vietnam, between Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City, separated from Laos by the western Truong Son Mountains. It is surrounded by Thua Thien-Hue along the northern border and Quang Nam on the southern border. It is embraced by the East Sea with 150km of coast.



At the south of Da Nang is the impressive Hai Van Pass with Mang Mountain 1,708m, Ba Na Mountain 1,487m. At the east is Son Tra Peninsula, an ideal site of yellow sand beaches, historical remains, and rare bird and animal species. The seashore is Hoang Sa archipelago that has a large fishery.

Da Nang is an ancient land, closely related with the Sa Huynh cultural traditions. Many imposing, palaces, towers, temples, citadels and ramparts, the vestiges from 1st to 13th are still to be seen in Cham Museum. Da Nang has other various interesting attractions, as the Ngu Hanh Son (Marble Mountains), the Linh Ung Pagoda, Han River, and My An, Non Nuoc beaches, stretching on dozens of kilometers.

## Climate

Da Nang is located in the zone of typical tropical monsoon, with a temperate and equable climate. The city's has two seasons: the wet from August to December and the dry season from January to July. The average humidity is 83.4%, with an average temperature of about 26°C,

## Accommodation

The venue is Sandy Beach Hotel. In order to provide an effective guidance and transportation services, please complete the registration form attached. We hope to receive Registration Form via e-mail with the detailed information on booking accommodation.

## Transport

Bus service will be provided between Da Nang Airport and Sandy Beach hotel.

## Visa Issuance

Countries that **need visa** to Viet Nam are: China, India, Malaysia, Japan, Korea, Kuwait, China (Taiwan), English, Italia, Belgium, Denmark, Hungary, Czech, Netherlands, Germany, Hungary, Russia, France, Americas, United States, Canada, Australia, Algeria.

**Important Note:** Even if your country is not in the list above, we recommend you to check directly with the Vietnamese Embassy in your country. Please note that that applying for Visa may need a processing period of 3-4 days.

For information on the exemption of entry visa to Vietnam, visit: <http://en.travel.vn/?page=Visa.news&id=14764>

For information on visa requirements, to obtain the information regarding visa and custom procedures, please refer to: <http://www.vietnam-visa.com/application-process.html>

Participants can do procedure to get visa in Vietnamese embassies in all countries: <http://www.vietnam-visa.com/embassy/>

If you require our support to apply for visa, please provide us with the all information for applying visa to Vietnam, including:

- Scan of passport
- Full name
- Date of birth
- Passport number
- Expire date
- Original nationality
- Current nationality
- Working place
- The city (Vietnamese Embassy) where visa will be received

Please send to us no later than **5 September 2012**.

## Flight Information

Below there is a schedule of international/national flights to Da Nang for your easy reference:

### Silk Air (MI):

From Singapore to Da Nang	
Monday, Saturday	MI 633 (14:35 – 17:50)
Wednesday	MI 636 (13:55 – 15:40)
Friday	MI 630 (07:55 - 09:40)

From Da Nang to Singapore	
Monday, Saturday	MI 633 (18:30 – 22:15)
Wednesday	MI 636 (16:20 – 21:35)
Friday	MI 630 (10:20 – 15:40)

### AirAsia (AK):

From Kuala Lumpur to Da Nang	
Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Sunday	AK868 (13:25 – 15:05)

From Da Nang to Kuala Lumpur	
Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Sunday	AK869 (15:30 – 19:15)

### Asiana Airlines (OZ)

From Seoul to Da Nang	
Wednesday, Saturday	OZ755 (19:30 – 22:00)

From Da Nang to Seoul	
Wednesday, Saturday	OZ756 (23:00 - 5:35 +1)

### Vietnam Airlines (VN):

Daily flights (5-8 flights/day): Ho Chi Minh City – Da Nang – Ho Chi Minh City

Daily flights (5-8 flights/day): Hanoi – Da Nang – Hanoi



### Currency

Viet Nam's unit of currency is the Viet Nam Dong (VND). Major foreign currencies are exchangeable at Vietcombank and other Vietnamese Banks/Branches, ANZ Bank, Citi Bank and Indovina Bank. The exchange rate (as of 1 July 2012) is US\$1 ~ VND 20.800. Major credit cards (Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Diners Club, JCB) and most traveler's checks are accepted. ATM machines that dispense VND are widely available but usually have a limit of VND 2,000,000/transaction and VND10,000,000/day.

### Internet

Wi-Fi is complimentary for guests in the Conference room and guest's rooms.

### Electricity and Water Supply

The standard electricity supply in Viet Nam is 220 Volts, 50 Hz, AC. Most plugs are two-pin with rounded pins, except in international-standard hotels. Drinking tap water and un-boiled water is not recommended.

### Time

Viet Nam's standard time zone is GMT +7 hours.

### Hospitals

It takes only 5 minutes by taxi to get to Ngu Hanh Son Hospital

### Phone services

Local phone services are reliable. Both GSM and CDMA mobile phone systems are in operation although the former is more popular. SIM cards are readily available for GSM mobile phones and can be bought in any convenience stores, post offices or hotels. Local calls from a prepaid mobile phone cost about 10 US cents/minute.

### Tourism

For more information on Da Nang, please visit the website below:

<http://www.vietnamtourism.com>



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