

# East Asia Regional Biometric Conference 2015



**EAR-BC 2015  
First Announcement**

**20-22 December 2015  
Kyushu University,  
Fukuoka, Japan**

**International Biometric Society:  
Japanese Region  
Chinese Region  
Indian Region  
Korean Region  
Singaporean Region**

# East Asia Regional Biometric Conference 2015 (EAR-BC'15) 20-22 December 2015, Kyushu University, Japan

## Introduction

The EAR-BC was initiated in Tokyo on 2007, and the second to fourth EAR-BCs were held in Manipal (India), Seoul (Korea) and Beijing (China). On behalf of the Organizing and Scientific Programme Committee, it is a great pleasure to invite you to attend the fifth Regional Conference of East Asia Regions of the International Biometric Society (EAR-BC2015) in Fukuoka. Fukuoka is the largest city in Kyushu Island and located in the south-west part in Japan. Kyushu Island is close to East Asia countries, and is filled with lots of delicious foods, historical places and hot springs. EAR-BC2015 will provide good opportunities for participants from East Asia Regions working in academic institutions, government agencies, and industry to make a good friendship and exchange ideas on the latest advances in biometry, biostatistics and bioinformatics. Three-day conference includes invited sessions, contributed sessions and poster presentations. We are looking forward to seeing you in Fukuoka!

## Important Dates

<b>1 September 2015</b>	Call for Abstracts and Registration
<b>29 October 2015</b>	Deadline for submission of abstracts
<b>30 November 2015</b>	Final dates for early registration

## Organizing and Scientific Programme Committee

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## **Scientific Programme**

### **Opening Ceremony: Introduction of IBS and its Regional activities**

- Donguk Kim, Korean Region President, Sungkyunkwan University (Korea)
- P. Venkatesan, Indian Region President, Sri Ramachandra Medical University (India)
- To be announced, (Singapore)
- Xiao-Hua Zhou, Chinese Region President, University of Washington (USA)
- Yasuo Ohashi, Japanese Region President, Chuo University (Japan)

### **Invited Sessions**

*To be announced.*

### **Contributed Paper & Poster Sessions**

Contributed papers and poster presentations are welcome in any area of biometry such as clinical trials, epidemiology, bioinformatics, and so on. Contributed oral presenters will be allocated a 15-minute slot for presentation in contributed sessions, while posters will be on display during 20-22 December.

### **Call for Abstracts**

All participants are invited to submit abstracts for either contributed papers or posters. Authors should indicate whether it is intended as an oral presentation or as a poster presentation. The deadline for the submission of abstracts is *29 October 2015*.

**Abstracts should be submitted to ....  
(Web page for abstract submission is to be announced)**

All correspondence regarding the abstracts will be sent to the corresponding author. Authors will be informed of the acceptance of abstracts by 15<sup>th</sup> November 2015. All abstracts must be submitted through the online abstract submission system. The abstract

should be written in English and with 150-400 words (including 3-5 keywords). Details will be presented in the web page for submission.

Please note that presenters of abstracts are not automatically registered for the conference. Abstracts and registration for the conference are handled separately.

## Registration

We encourage early registration, which will be open from September 1. A web-site for registration will be opened and details for registration are to be announced. Registration fee is as follows:

### Early-bird registration (by 30 November 2015)

IBC member, regional member:

Academic	20,000 yen
Industry	30,000 yen
Students	5,000 yen

Non-member:

Academic	30,000 yen
Industry	40,000 yen
Students	5,000 yen

On-site registration

Academic	30,000 yen
Industry	40,000 yen
Students	5,000 yen

The Registration fees include:

- Admission to all Scientific Sessions
- Conference Material (Program, Abstract Book, Conference bag, Badge, etc.)
- Coffee Breaks
- Light Lunches
- Certificate of Attendance

## Accommodation

There are lots of hotel accommodation around Nakasu area and Tenjin area in down town Fukuoka. From either area, it takes about 15 minutes to Conference Venue by subway.

### 《Nakasu Area》

#### •Hotel Okura Fukuoka

[http://www.okura.com/domestic/kyusyu/okura\\_fukuoka/](http://www.okura.com/domestic/kyusyu/okura_fukuoka/)

Hakata Riverain 3-2 Shimokawabata-machi, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka  
HP in Chinese and Korean language is available

#### •Hakata Excel Hotel Tokyu

[http://www.tokyuhotelsjapan.com/en/hotel/TE/TE\\_HAKAT/index.html](http://www.tokyuhotelsjapan.com/en/hotel/TE/TE_HAKAT/index.html)

4-6-7 Nakasu, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka  
HP in Chinese and Korean language is available

• **Grand Hyatt Fukuoka**

<http://fukuoka.grand.hyatt.com/en/hotel/home.html>

1-2-82 Sumiyoshi, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka

HP in Chinese and Korean language is available

• **Hotel New Otani Hakata**

<http://www.kys-newotani.co.jp/en/hakata/>

1-1-2 Watanabe-Dori, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka

HP in Chinese and Korean language is available

《**Tenjin Area**》

• **Nishitetsu Grand Hotel**

<http://www.grand-h.jp/english/index.php>

2-6-60 Daimyo, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka

HP in Chinese and Korean language is available

• **Solaria Nishitetsu Hotel**

<http://www.solaria-h.jp/english/>

2-2-43 Tenjin, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka

HP in Chinese and Korean language is available

**General Information**

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### **Conference Venue**

Conference Hall, Kyushu University Station-I for Collaborative Research (2F), School of Medicine, Kyushu University

3-1-1 Maidashi, Higashi-ku, Fukuoka 812-8582, Japan

Website: <https://www.med.kyushu-u.ac.jp/english/campus/access/index.html>

### **Important Social Programme**

Conference Dinner (21 Dec, evening):

Granada Suite

5-3-8 Nakasu, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka-city, Fukuoka, Japan

<http://www.gradasuite.com/fukuoka.html>

Cost: 7,000 yen

Costume: informal

### **Official Language**

The official Language of the Conference will be English. Simultaneous translation will not be provided.

### **Name Badges**

All participants and accompanying persons must wear the Congress identification badge in a visible place. Entrance to meeting hall, poster and exhibition areas will not be permitted to any person without badge.

### **Visual Equipment**

The meeting hall will be equipped with overhead and data projectors as well as PC for speakers needs. Speakers are kindly requested to check and deliver their presentation to visual reception at least one hour before scheduled presentation. Due to changes in computer configuration, laptops will not be accommodated.

### **Traveling, Passport, Visa**

All foreign visitors entering Japan must possess valid passports. Visa is not required from citizens of most foreign countries, while visa is required from attendees from China and India. Participants should check with travel agents or diplomatic missions in their own countries, whether or not visa is required.

### **Letter of Invitation**

The Conference Secretariat will be pleased to provide you with an official letter of invitation. Please note that such letters cannot grant any financial support. Requests should include participant's full mailing address and fax number for reply. Inquiries can be sent to the

Conference Secretariat.

### **Liability and Insurance**

The organizers have no responsibility whatsoever for injury or damage involving persons and property during the Congress. Participants are advised to carry their own personal insurance during their stay in Japan.

### **Banks & Currency**

Most banks are open Monday to Friday from 9:00am to 3.00pm.

International ATM service is available at ATMs of Japan Post Bank and Seven Bank for 24 hours. (<http://www.jnto.go.jp/eng/arrange/essential/atm.html>)

### **Climate and Clothing**

In December, the weather is cold during the whole day, so for all outdoor events, a light sweater will be sometimes useful. Mean temperature ranges from 8-15 C.

### **Tipping**

For taxi and restaurants the service charge is included in the price. You may add a tip at your own discretion to indicate appreciation of exceptionally good service.

### **Exhibition (tentative)**

Books

SAS

SPLUS

SPSS, etc...

### **Others**

#### **Post-conference Short Course: Biometric Seminar (22pm Dec)**

“Missing data and estimand in clinical trials” (tentative)

Lectures are given in Japanese with English slides

Website: TBA

#### **Post-conference Meeting (22pm Dec)**

Next conference: where and when?

Only for invited representatives from each IBS-Asia regions