





"KNOW BEFORE YOU GO" FACT SHEET

While at Home

- ✓ Visit the web app at https://imrp.guide/ now to discover the complete program. Make sure to login with your username and password to view the attendee list, send messages to other participants, take notes etc. We encourage you to update your profile, upload your photo. All participants Communication Settings are set to receive messages from other participants in order to streamline networking at IMRP. Go to "My Settings" on the dashboard to make your updates.
- ✓ Bring your device(s) + charger + adapter IMRP 2024 is providing a Web App and a condensed pocket guide to help you navigate your way around the Conference. Be sure to bring a device (laptop, tablet or smart phone) in order to access the app. Electrical outlets are 120 volts AC (60Hz). Foreign visitors are advised to bring along travel adaptors.
- ✓ Dress Code The dress code for the conference is business casual, and for the gala dinner it is elegant evening wear / cocktail dress with a touch of green (if possible).
- ✓ Time Difference UTC/GMT -6 hours Costa Rica does not have daylight saving time. Clocks do not change like in the US and other North American countries who are changing clocks on Nov 3.
- ✓ Social Media

Keep up to date with IMRP 2024 by following the iia LinkedIn page, which features regular updates before, during, and after the conference. https://www.linkedin.com/company/international-irradiation-association

Arriving in San José

✓ Airport Arrival and Transfer Options

Once you land at SJO, follow signs for Immigration and Customs. After clearing these checkpoints, proceed to the baggage claim area to retrieve your luggage.

There are several convenient ways to get from the airport to downtown San José (about 17-20 km, depending on traffic). The Marriott Hacienda Belen hotel is about 5km from the airport.



Official taxis and rideshare services are generally safe and reliable. Be cautious when approached by unauthorized drivers offering rides inside the terminal.

Taxi

Official Airport Taxis (Orange Cabs): After exiting the terminal, you will see official airport taxis lined up outside. Look for the **orange taxis** with airport logos.

- o **Cost:** Approx. \$25-\$35 USD to downtown (metered or flat rate).
- o **Time:** 25-35 minutes, depending on traffic.
- **Tip:** Confirm the price with the driver before departing, and make sure they start the meter or agree on the rate.

Uber Services

Uber is available at the airport, and pickup can be arranged through the app.

- Cost: Slightly cheaper than taxis, around \$15-\$25 USD.
- Pickup: Once you've booked your ride, proceed to the designated ride-share pickup zone just outside the arrivals terminal.
- o **Time:** 25-35 minutes, depending on traffic.

Shuttle Service (Marriott Hacienda)

If you are staying at the Marriott Hacienda hotel, you will be able to benefit from the complimentary airport shuttle service that the hotel offers. Departures from the airport are every 2 hours starting at 5:30am until 9:30pm (excluding 1:30pm).

The shuttle's designated pick-up area is located after you exit customs, on your right, in front of the Malinche restaurant. The transportation van is identified with the hotel's logo.

It is also possible to arrange for a pick-up for 3 to 10 guests at a cost of \$31 USD. A reservation is required. Please contact transportesctt@hotmailc.com to make arrangements and make sure to refer to IMRP.

✓ Conference Venue – CCCR (Convention Center of Costa Rica)

Address: Autop. Gral. Cañas, San José, Costa Rica The CCCR can only be accessed from the highway.

Conference Shuttle Service

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	Monday, Nov 4	Tuesday, Nov 5	Wed, Nov 6	Thursday, Nov 7
Marriott Hacienda	07:15, 7:30, 7:45,	07:00, 7:30, 8:15,	07:00, 7:30, 8:15,	07:00, 7:30, 8:15,
-> CCCR	8:45	8:40	8:40	8:40
CCCR ->	18:30, 19:00,	18:00, 18:15,	17.20 17.45	15.15 16.20
Marriott Hacienda	19:15	18:30	17:30, 17:45	15:15, 16:30







We encourage all participants to turn the transfer time into valuable networking time!

San José traffic can be heavy, particularly during peak hours (7:00–9:00 AM and 4:00–7:00 PM). The morning transfers may take as long as 45 minutes whereas the afternoon ones shouldn't exceed 20 minutes.

Interesting fact: The population of San José is 340,000 but over 1 million people come to work in San José on a daily basis.

At the Meeting

✓ Bring one piece of official photo ID to collect registration materials on your first day at the conference. Thank you for wearing your nametags when onsite at the Convention Center, the gala dinner and when boarding the shuttle busses.

✓ Service Hours

We encourage participants who are staying at the Marriott Hacienda Belen to collect their registration materials on Sunday afternoon. You will find the registration desk on the lobby level. All other participants can collect their registrations at the CCCR as of Monday morning.

Day	Registration	Exhibits	
Sunday, Nov 3 at	15:30-20:00		
Marriott Hacienda			
Monday, Nov 4	08:00-19:00	16:15-19:00	
Tuesday, Nov 5	08:00-18:00	08:00-18:00	
Wednesday, Nov 6	07:30-17:30	08:00-17:30	
Thursday, Nov 7	07:30-16:30	08:00-14:00	

✓ QR code on nametag

The QR code on the back of your nametag can be scanned with your phone's camera. Your contact details (full name, phone number, email, city and country) will display upon successful scanning and can then be saved to Contacts on your device.

✓ Presenters (More details were provided in a separately email message.)

We are managing the most amount of content ever in IMRP history and because of this we kindly ask all presenters for their cooperation.

All uploaded presentations are considered final as we will not be accepting changes onsite during the conference. All presentations will be pre-loaded on the laptops in the rooms.



Plenary and Tech Theatre Presenters

Please check in with the technician 30 min prior to the <u>session</u> start time. This will allow you to familiarize yourself with the stage set-up, slide advancing, testing your presentation, etc. <u>Plenary Presenters</u> go to the Guanacaste room.

<u>Tech Theatre Presenters</u> go to their assigned Tech Theatre.

Poster Set-up Times

Monday, Nov 4 from 11:00 to 16:00

The poster number will already be installed on the board. If you can't remember your poster number, please verify in the web app by navigating to the Poster Session on Wednesday, November 6 starting at 15:00.

Group A: https://imrp2024.com/webapp/timeslot/178 Group B: https://imrp2024.com/webapp/timeslot/180

✓ For iia Members

The iia is holding a General Assembly for its members on Thursday, November 7 starting at 15:00 in the Guanacaste room. Coffee and snacks will be served.

✓ Take a look at our exhibitors

The Exhibition Hall is located in the Central room. You can view the list of exhibitors here: https://imrp2024.com/webapp/exhibitors

✓ Sustainability at IMRP 2024

Sponsored by Wuxi El Pont

We are proud to announce that we are pursuing to achieve **Blue Flag Sustainability Certification**, awarded by the Costa Rican organization **"Bandera Azul Ecológica-Categoría: Eventos Especiales"** (Blue Flag Program-Category: Special Events). This certification represents our commitment to reducing the environmental impact of the conference while promoting sustainability in all aspects of event planning and execution.

Click here for full details.

NETWORKING EVENTS

Welcome Reception

Sponsored by STERIS

Monday, November 4 | 16:15-19:00

Join us for the Welcome Reception, an exciting start to the conference that also marks the grand opening of the Exhibit Hall! This is your chance to reconnect with familiar faces and forge new connections in a relaxed atmosphere. Enjoy authentic Costa Rican cuisine as you mingle with colleagues and explore the latest industry innovations.

Throughout the evening, Tech Theatre sponsors will deliver brief presentations, offering you an insight into their companies as well as an overview of Tech Theatre presentation highlights. Join us at this lively networking opportunity!







Poster Session

Sponsored by GIPA

Wednesday, November 6 | 15:00-17:30

Our poster session has been designed for maximum interaction, with presenters split into two groups to ensure everyone gets ample time to engage with the presenters.

This year, 12 outstanding posters have been nominated by the Program Committee to compete for the Best Poster Award. At the end of the session, nominees will give short pitch presentations to highlight their work, followed by an audience vote to select the winner. Make sure to stick around as the winner will be announced live at the Radiation Field Tech Theatre! Don't miss this dynamic event—your vote counts!

Gala Dinner

Sponsored by IBA

Thursday, November 7 | 19:00-23:00

Dress code: Add a little flair to your elegant evening wear / cocktail dress with a touch of green, and don't forget your dancing shoes!

Wrap up the conference in style with our Gala Dinner, a truly Costa Rican celebration filled with delicious local cuisine and vibrant energy. This is your final chance to network and connect with fellow attendees in a festive atmosphere.

The night will come alive with rhythms from our live band and DJ, ensuring you sway the night away. It's going to be an unforgettable evening!

Enjoy your time at IMRP 2024 and in Costa Rica!

