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Renewable Energy 2008

October 13 ~ 17, 2008 BEXCO & Nurimaru, Busan, Korea

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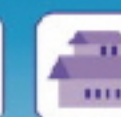
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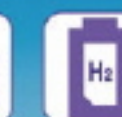
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Biomass



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Geothermal



Small
Hydropower



Waste



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Systems

RE2008 Organizing Committee

Welcome Message



Jinsoo Song

General Chair of the RE2008

It is our great pleasure to invite you to the Renewable Energy 2008 (RE2008), which is to be held from October 13 to 17, 2008 at BEXCO & Nurimaru in Busan, Korea. RE2008 is an International Conference and Exhibition for the advancement of renewable energy technology and industry. The Event was successfully started in Tokyo, Japan in 2006 (RE2006) and was decided to continue at every two years.

For the last few decades, we have been faced with the important matters which are securing an everlasting clean source of energy and preserving the environment of the earth for the better future.

Through RE2008, we would like to build the international cooperation for the sustainable world. Also, this will be a good opportunity to cultivate the technology of the renewable energy and to expand its applications. We believe that RE2008 will provide a great opportunity to exchange the research ideas and practices in the cutting-edge area in renewable energy from all over the world.

The Organizing Committee will do its best to make the meeting a memorable one for everyone where participants profoundly deepen their academic scope as well as enjoy the dear friendship throughout the world. With that in heart, we sincerely look forward to meeting you in Busan and ask you to come and experience the warm hospitality of Korean people. We believe that your participation will make RE2008 more fruitful and special.

RE2008 Outline

Title : Renewable Energy 2008 (RE2008)

Period : October 13 (Mon) ~ 17 (Fri), 2008

Venue : BEXCO & Nurimaru, Busan, Korea



BEXCO



Haeundae Beach



Nurimaru

Important Dates

Abstract Submission : March 31, 2008

Early Bird Application for Exhibition : April 25, 2008

Regular Registration : July 15, 2008

Full Paper Submission : July 31, 2008

Regular Exhibition Application : July 31, 2008

Why RE2008 in Korea ?

Korea is one of the fast growing markets for renewable energy technology as shown in the graph below. It is estimated that the photovoltaic market size, for example, reached about 50 MW in 2007. The Korean market is expected to grow even faster in 2008 with the high feed-in tariff rates as given in the table below. The renewable energy industry is booming as a result of the support from the Government. Korea has an aggressive target to increase the renewable energy contribution in the total energy consumption up to 5% by 2011 and to 9% by 2030.

The Korean market and R&D effort will be magnified when the draft for the 3rd New and Renewable Energy Basic Plan is finalized in 2008. The Plan contains R&D and deployment plans toward 2018. Ultimately Korea has a vision of achieving the 'Energy Independence' through the renewable energy in a foreseeable future.

The Korean government understands the significance of the R&D effort to make the renewable energy technology cost-competitive against the conventional energy sources and to sustain the market for the healthy and growing industry. The Korean government has increased the renewable energy budget by more than 20% on the average over the last five years to about \$550 million in 2008.

We would like to point out the fact that Korea is geographically located conveniently in the heart of Asia. Therefore, your participation in RE2008 will increase the visibility of your ideas and products.

Korea is well known with its beautiful scenery and ample cultural heritage that you will enjoy throughout your stay. Moreover, Korean people are famous for their hospitality toward guests especially from foreign countries. We firmly believe that your visit to Korea should make you a lifelong memory as well as a success for your work.

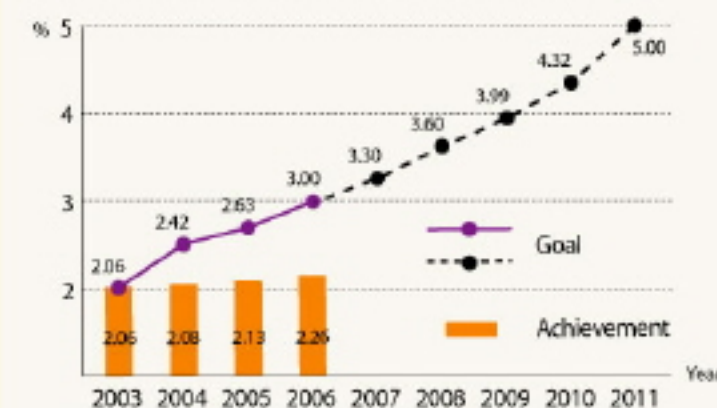
Feed-in Tariff

Unit (¢ US\$)

Resource	Photovoltaic	Wind	Hydro	Landfill Gas	Waste	Tidal Power
Fixed Price	72	12	8 ~ 10	7 ~ 8	*SMP + 5	7 ~ 10

*SMP : System Marginal Price

RE Contribution to Total Energy Consumption



RE Budget from 2004 to 2007

	2004	2005	2006	2007
R&D	73.2	94.0	124.5	132.6
Deployment Subsidy	66.9	92.3	137.5	154.1
- General Subsidy	9.7	23.3	28.0	41.0
- Solar Roof System	6.3	16.0	40.0	49.0
- Local Energy Development	36.9	40.0	47.5	51.1
- Renewable Energy Complex	14.0	13.0	13.0	13.0
Loan	50.0	117.0	121.3	121.3
Feed-in Tariff	6.3	20.8	26.3	27.0
Total	196.4	324.2	409.6	435.1

Unit (M US\$)



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The Korean Institute of Power Electronics
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The Korean Society for Composite Materials
The Korean Society for Geosystem Engineering
The Korean Society for New & Renewable Energy
The Korean Society of Mechanical Engineers
The Korean Society of Ocean Engineers
The Korean Society of Oceanography
The Korean Statistical Society
The Korean Welding and Joining Society
The Materials Research Society of Korea



Program

Registration Exhibition Poster Session

	Oct. 13	Oct. 14	Oct. 15	Oct. 16	Oct. 17	
09:00		R1 R2 R3 R4 R5	R1 R2 R3 R4 R5	R1 R2 R3 R4 R5	R1 R2 R3 R4 R5	09:00
09:30						09:30
10:00		Opening Ceremony				10:00
10:30			Pv-2 Po-1 Oc-1 T-1 L-1	Pv-4 Po-2 N-1 T-2 Ot-1	Pv-6 W-4 H-3 N-2 Ot-3	10:30
11:00		Plenary Lecture (1-5)				11:00
11:30						11:30
12:00						12:00
12:30						12:30
13:00	Special Session	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	13:00
13:30						13:30
14:00					Closing Ceremony	14:00
14:30						14:30
15:00						15:00
15:30		Pv-1 W-1 H-1 G-1 B-1	Pv-3 W-2 H-2 G-2 B-2	Pv-5 W-3 H-2 G-3 B-2		15:30
16:00						16:00
16:30						16:30
17:00						17:00
17:30						17:30
18:00						18:00
18:30						18:30
19:00	Welcome Reception		Conference Banquet			19:00
19:30						19:30
20:00						20:00
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Po: Policy Issues, PV: Photovoltaics, T: Solar Thermal, L: Low Energy Building,
W: Wind Energy, B: Biomass, H: Hydrogen & Fuel Cells, Oc: Ocean Energy,
G: Geothermal, N: Advanced Power Systems, Ot: Small Hydropower, Waste, etc.

Program Outline

Opening & Closing Sessions

- Opening Session : Opening of the RE2008 will be announced officially and many celebrities from home and abroad will deliver welcoming addresses.
- Closing Session : The summary of the conference and exhibition will be presented and the awards will be given for the best papers.

Plenary Sessions

- Confirmed Keynote Speakers for Plenary Sessions are
 - Ali Sayigh - Chairman of World Renewable Energy Congress
 - Kosuke Kurokawa - Chairman of Japan Council for Renewable Energy
 - Li Junfeng - General Secretary of Chinese Renewable Industrial Association
- More Keynote Speakers will be decided soon.

Technical Sessions

Sessions will consist of invited papers and over 300 oral presentations. Over 300 poster presentations are also expected. The quality of the papers is expected to be high since all papers are solicited to submit for publication in regular international journals.

Side Events

- **International Joint Workshops on**
 - Renewable energy and global warming issues
 - International standards related to the renewable energy
 - Establishing a cooperation network on the renewable energy of Northeast Asia
- **Special Events**
 - IEA / GT ExCo Meeting
 - International Symposium on VLS PV
 - IEC TC82 Working Group Meeting
 - Korea-China-Japan Joint Seminar on Photovoltaics
 - 2008 The Korean Society for New and Renewable Energy Conference
 - 「Special Days for Energy and Culture」 for Teenagers
 - Korean Culture Experience Programs
 - Job Fair plus a Meeting Booth at the Exhibition Hall

Social Sessions

- **Welcome Reception**
 - Date & Time : October 13 (Mon) 18:30
 - Place : BEXCO
 - Type : Cocktail Reception
- **Conference Banquet**
 - Date & Time : October 15 (Wed) 18:30
 - Place : TBD
 - Type : Formal Dinner



Scientific Topics

Policy Issues	Scenario, Policy Instruments, National Actions, Financing, CDM, Regulatory Issues
Photovoltaics	Crystalline Silicon Solar Cells and Modules, Thin Film Silicon Solar Cells, III-V & II-VI Compounds Solar Cells, Dye-Sensitized & Polymer Solar Cells, Fundamentals, Novel Materials and Devices, BOS & Photovoltaic Systems, Applications
Solar Thermal Applications	Solar Collector Technology, Solar Hot Water, Desalination, Solar Heating and Cooling, Solar Architecture, Solar Thermal Storage, Solar Thermal Power, Solar Chemistry, Solar Energy Resources Assessment, Applications
Low Energy Buildings	Sustainable Eco Architecture : Low or Zero Energy buildings, Passive & Architectural Solutions, Solar Systems for Building, Solar City, Comfort and Indoor Climate : IAQ, Ventilation, Daylighting
Wind Energy	Wind Turbine System Development, Aerodynamics and Acoustics, Offshore Wind Power, Wind Resources and Prediction, Wind Farm Development, Small and Hybrid Wind Energy Systems
Biomass	Gasification, Pyrolysis, Fermentation, Anaerobic Digestion, Biomaterials, BDF, Carbon Neutrality, Forestry
Hydrogen & Fuel Cells	Fuel Cells and Application, Fuel Processors & BOP / Hydrogen : Hydrogen Productions, Hydrogen Storages, Hydrogen Delivery & Safety
Ocean Energy	Ocean Energy Resources and Policies, Tidal Power, Marine Current Energy, Wave Energy, Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion, Ocean Energy Projects, Environmental Issues, Offshore Hydrogen Generation, Hybrid Ocean Energy Systems
Geothermal	Geothermal Exploration, Environmental Aspects, Geothermal Field and Reservoir, Reservoir Engineering, Advanced Technology, Power Generation Geothermal Heat Pump, Geothermal Direct Use
Small Hydropower	Hydraulic Turbine
Waste	Waste Solid Fuel (RDF), MBT, Liquefaction, Pyrolysis, Carbonization, Gasification, Incineration
Advanced Power Systems	Research and Development Activities in Gasification, Gasification for Power Generation : IGCC, Carbon Capture & Storage, Polygeneration Applications, Liquefaction

Abstract Submission Guidelines

We ask the authors to submit abstracts according to the following guidelines. Papers will be presented in one of two types : 1) oral presentation, or 2) poster presentation. Authors are asked to mark their preference for presentation type. However, the Program Committee may recommend the oral presentation type for a limited number of abstracts. Please read the instructions below carefully before submission. If further information is required, please feel free to contact RE2008 Secretariat at secretariat@re2008.org.

General Instructions

1. All abstracts should be written in English up to 400 words (size A4) with MS-Word format which provide a concise statement of objectives and a summary of important results without using any special characters, tables or figures. Any published articles or abstracts with pending results will not be accepted.
2. They should be submitted electronically through our website (www.re2008.org).
3. The accepted abstract will be published in the Abstract Book for distribution at the conference.
4. Abstracts must conform to the following outline :

- A. Conference topics and corresponding key words
- B. Preferred type of presentation (Oral & Poster)
- C. Full title (15 point with bold and in capital)
- D. Information of authors including full name, affiliation, phone/fax/e-mail and complete mailing address of the corresponding author
- E. Full name and affiliation of co-authors

5. Preferred font is Times New Roman of 9 point and bold should be used for title including major headings.
6. It is sole responsibility of the presenting authors to ensure accuracy of contents, spellings and presentations, as their abstracts will be published exactly as submitted.

Submission & Process

1. Submission Deadline : March 31, 2008
2. Abstracts submitted by mail or fax will not be considered for reviewing by the Program Committee.
3. Presenting and corresponding authors will receive confirmation by e-mail automatically after the abstracts are submitted. If you do not receive any confirmation within 7 days after submission, please contact Secretariat at secretariat@re2008.org.
4. The notification for the acceptance or rejection will be completed by April 30, 2008.

Publication

1. Oral & Poster papers will be put on record to SCI Journal Special Issue through the extra review.
2. Program Book including Abstract, CD (Proceedings) will be distributed during the conference.



Exhibition

The Exhibition will be one of the major event of the Conference and will feature the most up-to-date products, services, technologies, components/materials and equipments. The Exhibition Committee has been designing the affair to maximize the attendance to the exhibition area.

In addition to trade exhibits, refreshment, lunch breaks and internet facilities will all be available within the exhibition area for creating the networking hub of the Conference. There is no doubt that your participation at RE2008 as an exhibitor will enhance the overall quality of the International Conference as well as the status of your company. An exciting range of exhibition opportunities have been developed to maximize the benefits to the exhibitors, sponsors and delegates.

Don't miss the opportunity to showcase your commitment.

- * **Period**: October 14 (Tue) ~ October 17 (Fri)
- * **Venue**: BEXCO Exhibition Hall 1, Busan, Korea (<http://www.bexco.co.kr>)
- * **Organized by**: RE2008 Organizing Committee
- * **Size of Exhibition**: 8,836m² / 350 Booths or more / 200 Companies or more
- * **Estimated Visitor**: 30,000 (included 1,200 conference visitors)
- * **Exhibit Category**: 12 categories same as scientific topics on page 7 IBID period
- * **Participation Fee**

Type	Unit Price		Remarks
Package	Early Bird / US \$2,500	Regular / US \$3,000	Space with shell scheme
Raw Space	Early Bird / US \$2,000	Regular / US \$ 2,500	Space only(minimum 4 booths required)

Discount Rates : 5% 'unit price' discount applied for each additional booth up to 40% maximum discount



- Package booth includes :
3m x 3m wide, 2.7m high booth,
Company name / booth number, 3 spotlights,
1 information desk, 1 chair, 1kw electricity
and floor carpeting
- For the companies purchasing raw space,
booth design approval is prerequisite.
Therefore, please submit a draft(s) by
September 19, 2008 prior to the construction.

* Application Information

- Application Deadline : Early Bird - April 25 , 2008 / Regular - July 31, 2008
- How to apply : Complete the application form and send it via fax or e-mail.
Do not make payment until you receive our official invoice.
(You can download the application form from RE2008 website.)
- Remit 50% of the total participation fee in US dollars by May 31, 2008 for early bird and by July 31, 2008 for regular participants according to the official invoice. The remaining balance must be paid fully by September 12, 2008.
- Requirement : Application Form and Business Registration Certificate

* Contact : BEXCO

- Phone : + 82-51-740-7366, 7343, 7486 Fax : + 82-51-740-7360
- E-mail : re2008@bexco.co.kr Website : <http://www.re2008.org>

Sponsorship Packages

All sponsors receive prominent acknowledgement of their sponsorship level through displaying of their company logo in the Conference Program and on the conference website as well as on large banners in the convention center.

Platinum : US \$100,000

- Banner on the website of the RE2008 (<http://www.re2008.org>)
- One full page with all color advertisement in the Conference Program or Abstract Book (excluding cover pages)
- On-line advertisement in official announcements
- First priority to purchase exhibition space and choose booth location
- Ten complimentary conference registrations
- Corporate Workshop for 2 hours

Gold Sponsor : US \$50,000

- Banner on the website of the RE2008 (<http://www.re2008.org>)
- One full page with black and white or a half-page with all color advertisement in the Conference Program or Abstract Book (excluding cover pages)
- On-line advertisement in official announcements
- Second priority to purchase exhibition space and choose booth location
- Five complimentary conference registrations
- Corporate Workshop for 1 hour

Silver Sponsor : US \$30,000

- Banner on the website of the RE2008 (<http://www.re2008.org>)
- Quarter page with black and white corporate advertisement in the Conference Program or Abstract Book (excluding cover pages)
- On-line advertisement in official announcements
- Third priority to purchase exhibition space and choose booth location
- Three complimentary conference registrations

Bronze Sponsor : US \$10,000

- Banner on the website of the RE2008 (<http://www.re2008.org>)
- Quarter page with black and white corporate advertisement in the Conference Program or Abstract Book (excluding cover pages)
- On-line advertisement in official announcements
- Fourth priority to purchase exhibition space and choose booth location
- One complimentary conference registration

*Confirmed sponsors for the moments are



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Additional Sponsorship Opportunities

- Delegate Bag	US \$30,000
- USB Memory Stick	US \$30,000
- Internet Café	US \$15,000
- Name Badge Wallets	US \$10,000
- Pens	US \$10,000
- Note Pads	US \$10,000

Other customized sponsorship opportunities may be discussed with the RE2008 Organizing Committee.



Registration Guidelines

Registration Fees

Category	before July 16, 2008	from July 16, 2008
Delegates	US \$600	US \$700
Students	US \$150	US \$200
Accompanying Person	US \$150	US \$200

- For Delegates : Registration Packages include a Conference Kit (bag, name badge, program book and CD containing proceedings) and full access to all scientific sessions, exhibition and functions : Conference, Exhibition, Welcome Reception and Conference Banquet.
- For Students : Registration Packages include a Conference Kit (bag, name badge and program book except CD containing proceedings) and access to all scientific sessions, exhibition and functions except Conference Banquet. Admission to Conference Banquet is available at US \$80/person.
- For Accompanying Persons : Registration Packages include admission to exhibition and functions : Welcome Reception and Conference Banquet. Special Spouse Program will be provided.

How to Register

To register for the RE2008 or reserve accommodations, please use our secure online registration & abstract submission system at www.re2008.org. In case that you have difficulties in accessing the internet system, please contact the RE2008 Secretariat.

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Payment Method

- Registration fees must be paid by one of the following methods :
Credit card payment through the secure on-line registration system is available when the system opens at the RE2008 website in December 2007.
- Visa, Master, JCB and AMEX are available.
- Bank transfer to the account
 - Name of Bank : Kookmin Bank
 - Swift Code : CZNKREXXXX
 - Bank Account : 206068-07-100479
 - Account Holder : The Korean Society for New and Renewable Energy
 - Bank Add. : 1659-5, 6, 7, Bongchun-dong, Gwanak-gu, Seoul, Korea
- All bank service charges are to be paid by the participants.
- Checks will not be accepted.
- A confirmation letter will be forwarded to you after we have received full payment.

Cancellation Policy

- All cancellations must be received in writing by the RE2008 Secretariat.
- Postmarked on or before July 15 : 50% refund
- For cancellation received from July 16 : no refund
- All refunds will be processed after the RE2008 and all processing fees will be deducted from the refund amount.
- Even if you do not cancel the registration and not attend without any notice, you are still responsible for the payment of the registration fees and other optional fees.

Tour Programs

During the conference period, various tour programs including half-day and full day tours in-and-around Busan, tours with pottery making and tea ceremony, and post-conference tours to Seoul, which is the capital of Korea, and to Jeju Island with full of beautiful national attractions will be provided at special rates for the participants of RE2008. The various tour programs will be updated at the RE2008 website (<http://www.re2008.org>).

** Connection Events of Busan City

- 2008 Pusan International Film Festival

The hub of Asian cinema, PIFF will be held from October 2 to 10, 2008 at the all around of Busan City.

- 4th Busan Fireworks Festival

The world's top high-tech multimedia fireworks festival, will be held during the 3rd week of October, 2008 against the backdrop of Gwangalli Beach and Gwangang Bridge.

Half Day Busan Tour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Highlight of Busan BEXCO - Yongdu Park - Jagalchi Fish Market - International Market - BEXCO ◆ Beomeosa Temple BEXCO - Beomeosa Temple - International Market - BEXCO
Cruise Tour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Lunch Cruise : BEXCO - Cruise with Lunch - BEXCO ◆ Dinner Cruise : BEXCO - Cruise with Dinner - BEXCO
Special Experience Tour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Tea Ceremony : BEXCO - Cultural Institute or Beomeosa Temple - BEXCO ◆ Pottery Making : BEXCO - Sugeolyeo - BEXCO
Full Day Busan Tour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ BEXCO - Yongdusan Park - Jagalchi Fish Market - International Market - Taejongdae - UN Cemetery-BEXCO ◆ BEXCO - Beomeosa Temple - International Market - Aquarium-BEXCO
Full Day Gyeongju Tour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ BEXCO - Gyeongju National Museum - Tumuli Park - Bulguksa Temple - Seokguram Grotto - BEXCO
Post - Conference Tour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 2 days / 1 night (Busan - Seoul overnight) BEXCO - Seoul - Gyeongbok Palace - Insadong Antique Alley - Cheonggyecheon Stream - National Museum of Korea - South Gate Market ◆ 3 days / 2 nights (Jeju Island) Yongdum Rock, Mokssokwon - Seongsan Peak Rise - Manjang Cave - Seongeup Folk Village - Cheonjiyeon Fall - Jusangjeollidae - Sanbangguls Grotto - Mysterious Road

* The above program is tentative and the final will be updated soon at website.



Renewable Energy 2008
October 12 - 17, 2008 BEXCO & Haeundae, Busan, Korea



Accommodations



★★★★★

Busan Lotte Hotel

<http://www.lottehotel.co.kr>

The Westin Chosun Hotel

<http://www.echosunhotel.com>

Novotel Ambassador Busan

<http://www.novotelbusan.com>

★★★★

Haeundae Centum Hotel

<http://www.centumhotel.co.kr>

★★★

Busan Youth Hostel ARPINA

<http://www.arpina.com>

Paradise Hotel

<http://busan.paradisehotel.co.kr>

Haeundae Grand Hotel

<http://www.grandhotel.co.kr>

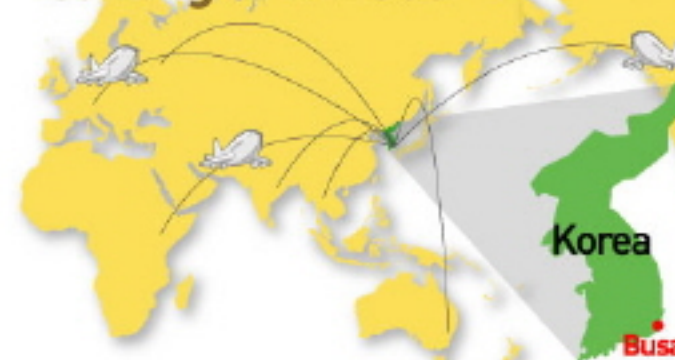
Seacloud Hotel

<http://www.seacloudhotel.com>

These hotels will be available at special discount rates for the participants of RE2008.
For detailed information, please refer to the RE2008 Website (<http://www.re2008.org>).

General Information

Coming to RE2008



Busan, which is located on the Southeastern tip of the Korean peninsula, is the second largest city in Korea. Its deep harbor and gentle tides have allowed it to grow into the largest container handling port in the country and the fifth largest in the world, with potential for even more growth. Its natural endowments and rich history have resulted in Busan's increasing reputation as a world class city of tourism and culture.

Travel Route at a Glance



Visas

Any foreign visitors wishing to enter Korea must have a valid passport and obtain a Korean visa. Please contact Embassy of the Republic of Korea in your country to receive further information on visa regulations and refer to the website (<http://www.gf4.go.kr>).

Weather

Korea lies in the temperate zone and has four distinct seasons; spring, summer, fall, and winter. Busan in October is in the middle of fall. Please visit to the Korean Metrological Administration for the current weather (<http://www.kma.go.kr>).

Currency & Banking

Korean unit of currency is the Won (Indicated as ₩). Coin denominations are ₩10, ₩50, ₩100 and ₩500. Bank notes are ₩1,000, ₩5,000 and ₩10,000. Foreign bank notes and traveler's checks can be exchanged into Korean won at foreign exchange banks and other authorized money changers. US \$1 is equivalent to approximately ₩945 as of January 2008. Credit cards, including VISA, American Express, Diner's Club, Master Card and JCB, are accepted at hotels, department stores, and restaurants.

Electricity

Outlets for 220 volts / 60 cycles are used.

Time Difference

Korean time is 9 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT+9).

Map of Busan



Easy Access from the Airport to BEXCO

When you arrive at Gimhae Int'l Airport, you can get to BEXCO with the mass transportation like non-stop limousines, with ease.

