



33rd International
Congress of Actuaries TOKYO

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Welcome Message

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, it is our great pleasure to host the 33rd International Congress of Actuaries (ICA2026) in Tokyo, Japan, in November 2026. The year 2026 is very special for us. We held an ICA in 1976 in Tokyo, and the year 2026 will mark the 50th Anniversary of the last ICA we hosted. ICA2026 will be a unique opportunity to reflect on the preceding half-century.

Since the late 20th century, actuaries have made tremendous contributions across the globe. ICA2026 will bring together actuaries from around the world to discuss cutting-edge technological developments, climate change, recent pandemics, and more. The congress topics will truly reflect the current trends and new approaches. It is essential for sustainable development in the future to share the latest academic and practical results in the actuarial domain. We hope that all attendees will benefit from the congress and apply the insights gained into their daily activities in their respective fields.

Japan is currently experiencing many issues that actuaries are well-suited to discuss, such as a declining birthrate, an aging population, and natural disasters like earthquakes and typhoons. Tokyo is a particularly appropriate place for ICA2026, where actuaries from various countries can explore solutions to these pressing issues. We look forward to sharing the situations and approaches of Japanese actuaries with participants from around the world.

We intend to make every effort in our preparations to ensure that participants can grasp real-world situations and have meaningful exchanges in Tokyo. Let's come together to have fruitful discussions and experiences at ICA2026 Tokyo.

Hiroshi Shoji
Chair,
Organizing Committee



Reasons to Encourage Actuaries to Participate in ICA2026

Global Networking Opportunities: ICA2026 brings together 1,500–2,000 actuaries from around the world. Participation offers a unique chance to build connections with international professionals and exchange insights.

Updates on Cutting-Edge Knowledge and Practices: The congress addresses crucial topics, such as a super-aging society, natural disasters, and digital technological innovation. Attendees will gain valuable knowledge to enhance their daily practices.

Competitive Advantage for Employers: Insights gained from ICA2026 can be applied to improve an organization's capabilities in risk management and financial security, strengthening its position in the industry.

Contribution to a Sustainable Future: The congress theme, "Tradition, Diversity, Innovation", focuses on sustainable growth and innovation in the actuarial profession. Participation aligns with organizational goals to contribute to a sustainable future.

Talent Development and Motivation: Providing employees with the opportunity to attend international conferences supports their professional development and fosters loyalty and motivation within the organization.

Significance of the Asian Venue: With ICA2026 hosted in Japan, attendees can experience diverse perspectives, especially from non-English-speaking countries. This is particularly beneficial for organizations operating in the Asian market.

Inspiration from Tokyo: Held at the Tokyo International Forum, ICA2026 offers attendees the chance to experience one of the world's most innovative cities, sparking new ideas and perspectives for future growth.

About the Hosts



The Institute of Actuaries of Japan
Think the Future, Manage the Risk

The Institute of Actuaries of Japan

The Institute of Actuaries of Japan (IAJ) is a public interest incorporated association with over a century of heritage and tradition.

The IAJ has been engaging in a vast range of activities since its founding in 1899, ranging from researching and advancing actuarial science to educating and training actuaries and facilitating professional and cultural exchange with overseas actuarial organizations.

Further information can be found here. <https://www.actuaries.jp/english/>



International Actuarial Association
Association Actuarielle Internationale

The International Actuarial Association

The International Actuarial Association (IAA) is the worldwide association of professional actuarial associations, representing over 85,000 actuaries in more than 115 countries, with six special interest Sections for individual actuaries. The IAA was founded in 1895 and exists to encourage the development of a global actuarial profession, acknowledged as technically competent and professionally reliable, which will ensure that the public interest is served.

The IAA has 74 Full Member Associations and 26 Associate Member Associations.

Vision

The actuarial profession is globally recognised as leading experts in risk and financial security, contributing to the well-being of society.

Mission

The mission of the IAA, as the worldwide organisation of actuarial associations, is to:

Impact: Supranational Relationships

Develop relationships with key supranational institutions, providing actuarial expertise on issues of relevance in global forums.

Assure: Promotion of the Profession

Support the development of the actuarial profession worldwide and promote appropriate professional/education standards through Member Associations.

Advance: Development of Competence

Promote the advancement of scientific knowledge and the skills of the actuarial profession.

Further information can be found here. <https://www.actuaries.org>

Overview

Title

33rd International Congress of Actuaries (ICA2026)

Date

November 8 (Sun.) – 13 (Fri.), 2026

Meeting format

Hybrid (in-person & virtual)

Venue

Congress & Exhibition

Tokyo International Forum
(5-1 Marunouchi 3-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, JAPAN
100-0005)

Gala Dinner

HAPPO-EN
(1-1 Shirokanedai 1-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo, JAPAN
108-8631)

Chair

Hiroshi Shoji
Chair, the Organizing Committee of the 33rd International
Congress of Actuaries
(ICA2026)

Hosts

The Institute of Actuaries of Japan (IAJ)
The International Actuarial Association (IAA)

Expected number of participants

1,500 – 2,000 participants

Language

English

Website

www.ica2026.org



Theme “Tradition, Diversity, Innovation”

The ICA represents an unparalleled opportunity to exchange ideas among actuarial colleagues from all over the world on the crucial topics impacting our profession. In particular, Japan, as a country at the forefront of dealing with challenges such as a declining birthrate, an aging population, and natural disasters, will provide a unique setting for ICA2026 to discuss these increasingly global issues.

A wide range of topics, not limited to longevity and natural disasters, will be presented and discussed during the congress. As Japan is a country where tradition is respected, as well as one well-known for innovative and cutting-edge technology, the atmosphere of Tokyo will inspire ICA participants to connect the actuarial profession’s rich past with new ways of thinking. Moreover, holding ICA in Japan will attract many participants, especially from Asian countries, where the economy is expected to grow in the future, bringing a wealth of diversity to the actuarial profession as a whole.

Logo for ICA2026

Mt. Fuji, Japan’s tallest mountain, represents the country’s traditions and symbolizes the actuarial field soaring to great heights. The sun rising behind the mountain expresses our strong ambition to adopt innovations and spread them from Japan to the world.

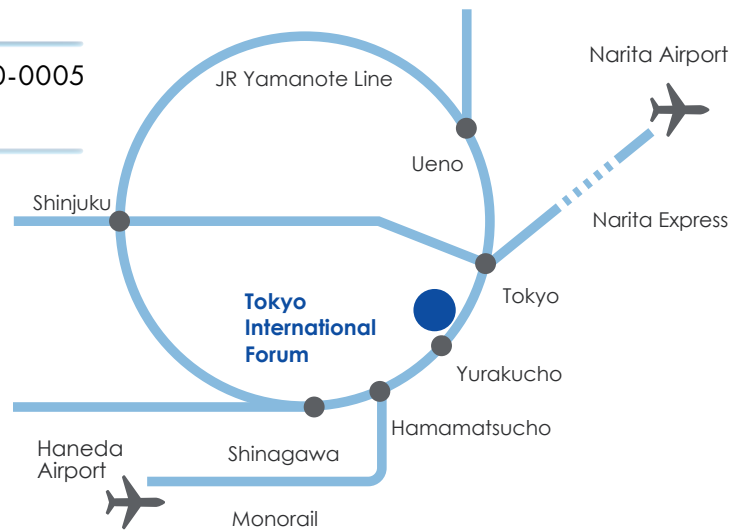
Venue

Tokyo International Forum

5-1 Marunouchi 3-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, JAPAN 100-0005

Access

- From Narita Airport
 - 80-90minutes to Tokyo Station by limousine bus
 - OR 53minutes to Tokyo Station by Narita Express (express train)
 - 5-minute walk from Tokyo Station
- From Haneda Airport
 - Route1 (by monorail)
 - 23 minutes to Hamamatsucho Station by monorail
 - 4 minutes to Yurakucho Station by JR Yamanote Line from Hamamatsucho Station
 - 1-minute walk from Yurakucho Station
 - Route2 (by Keikyu Line)
 - 20 minutes to Shinagawa Station by Keikyu Line
 - 11 minutes to Yurakucho Station by JR Keihin-Tohoku Line from Shinagawa Station
 - 1-minute walk from Yurakucho Station



Prime Location and Nearby Attractions

The Tokyo International Forum is ideally located in the heart of Tokyo, offering easy access to a variety of iconic landmarks and attractions. The Michelin Green Guide identified as a three-star venue “worth a trip”.

Just a short walk away, you’ll find the tranquil **Hibiya Park**, perfect for a relaxing break amid its beautiful fountain plaza and lush greenery. The **Imperial Palace**, with its rich historical significance, is also nearby, where you can explore serene gardens and experience the legacy of the Edo Castle. For those looking to dive into Tokyo’s culture and culinary scene, the vibrant **Yurakucho** district and the luxury shopping hub of **Ginza** are just minutes away. With the grand red brick **Tokyo Station** building (a major transport hub) only a 5-minute walk from the Forum, attendees can effortlessly explore the best of Tokyo and beyond during ICA2026.

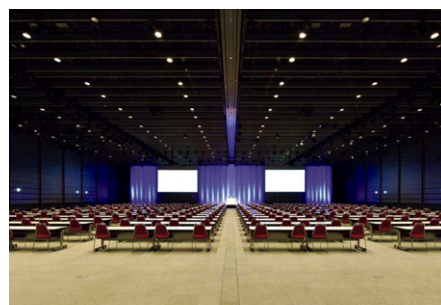
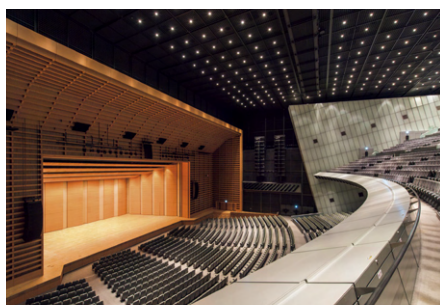


Program Schedule

	Sunday, 8 November	Monday, 9 November	Tuesday, 10 November	Wednesday, 11 November	Thursday, 12 November	Friday, 13 November
AM		Opening Ceremony Plenary Session	Plenary Session Concurrent Sessions	Plenary Session Concurrent Sessions	Concurrent Sessions Concurrent Sessions	Special Program (TBD)
	Lunch					
PM	Registration Special Program (TBD)	Concurrent Sessions	Concurrent Sessions	Concurrent Sessions	Plenary Session	
EVE		Welcome Reception		Gala Dinner	Closing Ceremony Closing Drinks	

Please note:

*The above information is subject to change without notice.



Session Structure

Plenary Sessions

ICA2026 will feature several plenary sessions covering topics relevant to anyone interested in actuarial science, including actuaries and non-actuaries, as well as both academics and practitioners. The details of these plenaries are currently being developed, but all or some of the following core themes are likely to be incorporated into the plenaries.

Core Themes

Super-Aging Society

How should actuaries address the challenges of a super-aging society, including its impact on insurance products, social security, the labor force, and family caregiving challenges?

Natural Disasters

Financial institutions, as well as their customers, are impacted by natural disasters such as earthquakes and floods. Considering the trends and increasing frequency and severity of such events, how should actuaries respond?

Digital Technology Innovation

With advancements in digital technology, the products and services offered by financial institutions have become more sophisticated, and consumer expectations of these institutions have correspondingly increased. Meanwhile, the expanded use of AI brings both greater opportunities and heightened risks. Additionally, the threat of cyber risks and massive tech outages is growing. In light of this situation, how should the practice and role of actuaries evolve?

New Regulatory Landscape

The IAIS has finalized the Insurance Capital Standard and the EU Solvency II has been in place for some time. Meanwhile, as the environment surrounding insurance companies and pension funds undergoes significant changes in various aspects, how will supervisory framework evolve in the future? And how should the actuarial profession contribute to these changes?

Enhancing Resilience

We are facing various challenges, such as fluctuations in the economic environment, natural disasters, pandemics, climate change, and cyber risks, just to name a few. In this ever-changing environment, how can we, as actuaries, update our profession with relevant expertise and enhance the resilience of financial institutions and society in general?

Concurrent Sessions

In addition to the plenary sessions, each day will include multiple concurrent sessions, offering an opportunity for you to present your research.

Each concurrent session will last 105 minutes and include three presentations on a related topic.

Each presenter will have 20 minutes to deliver their presentation, followed by a 10-minute Q&A. To conclude the session, all three presenters will participate in a 15-minute interactive discussion.

Your work — including, but not limited to, recordings, presentations, PowerPoint slides, abstracts, papers, and similar materials — will be broadly shared. Please refer to the Speaker Agreement for details regarding distribution.

Call for Papers

ICA2026 welcomes presentations from a diverse range of delegates, including practitioners, academics, and other professionals from around the world.

Through this Call for Papers, ICA2026 offers you the opportunity to be part of the Congress program and contribute to the advancement of actuarial science across various fields.

The first step is to submit an abstract of your presentation by September 30, 2025. We welcome presentations without a paper. You can submit an abstract even if you do not plan to provide a paper for the Congress. However, please note that only submitted papers will be eligible for awards and we would encourage you to submit a paper.

Review Process

ICA2026 has established nine review teams, representing nine subjects - Life, Non-Life, Health, Pensions/Social Security, ERM, Investment/Finance, Actuarial Consulting, Professionalism/Actuarial Education, and Data Science/AI.

Each team consists of several reviewers with relevant experience and backgrounds, including actuaries from both the Institute of Actuaries of Japan (IAJ) and the International Actuarial Association (IAA) Sections.

They will review each abstract submitted according to their area of expertise. Specifically, the following five criteria will be used for evaluation:

1. Relevance

How practical is this research for actuarial work?

2. Quality

Does this research meet the required standards for an ICA presentation?

3. Originality

How new or interesting is this research?

4. Value

How valuable is this research to the profession, community, or industry?

5. Future

Are there clear next steps to further develop this research?

You should take these criteria into account when developing your abstract to improve your chances of acceptance for presentation at ICA2026. Please note that your stated intention whether to submit a paper or not will not affect the review of your abstract.

Possible Topics

The following list outlines potential topics for presentations across eight subjects: Life, Non-Life, Health, Pensions/Social Security, ERM, Investment/Finance, Actuarial Consulting, and Professionalism/Actuarial Education. Please note that this list is for illustrative purposes only, and we welcome other topics as well. In particular, while not explicitly listed below, presentations on Data Science/AI are also encouraged, as long as they relate to at least one of the other eight subjects.

Presentations on any of the core themes are welcome as well.

Life Insurance	
Longevity and medical advances	Capital management
Artificial intelligence underwriting	Impact of Insurance Capital Standard (ICS)
Mortality after COVID-19	Effects of IFRS17
Pricing methods and fairness	Addressing phase shift of interest rate environment
Customer behavior and communication to customers	Impact of climate change
Pricing and valuation of options and guarantees	Inflation risk on life insurance and retirement products
Impact of COVID-19 on disability claims	Customer relationship powered by data analytics

Non-Life Insurance	
Impact of IFRS17/ICS	Impact of data analytics
Reserving methods	Capital management
Pricing methods and fairness	Impact of climate change
Reinsurance and other risk sharing techniques	Insurtech development
Natural and man-made catastrophes	Infrastructure Insurance
Social inflation	Responding to cyber risks

Health	
Demographic trends and consequences	Innovative healthcare solutions
Genetics	Value-based payment models
Climate change and its impact on healthcare	Claims management in healthcare for long-term sustainability
How geopolitics impact cross-border health insurance and medical advancement?	Employer-sponsored insurance: health outcomes and productivity
The use of big data and AI on health insurance	Long term care/nursing care
Critical illness topics	Long-term sustainability of private medical insurance
Longevity affecting healthcare costs increase	Healthcare financing and system reforms

Pensions and Social Security	
Demographic effects	Member engagement/communication
Mortality/longevity in pensions	Member risk preferences
Volatile interest rate environment	Employer accounting for pension liabilities
Innovative benefit design	Intergenerational/gender fairness
Protection arrangements	Decent work and workers protection
Retirement choices	ESG and sustainable financing for pension funds
Consumer communication	Social security reforms

Enterprise Risk Management	
Proactive ERM to promote resilience	Global and local risks
Validation of internal models	Impact of mega trends on risk
Natural and man-made catastrophes	Regulatory changes
Economic and regulatory capital	Model governance
Capital allocation	Risk governance
Management of emerging risks	Statistical modeling
Use of external cloud tools and operational risk	Lessons from operational risk and resilience through pandemics and global-scale IT outage

Investment and Finance	
Asset-liability management in uncertain times	Optimal hedging strategies
Consumer behavior	Valuation of non-listed assets
Impact of ESG	Banking
Innovative product design	Concentration risk and diversification

Actuarial Consulting	
The role of the actuary in a consulting firm	Fintech/Insurtech
Training/skillset of actuarial consultants	Future regulation
AI and data analytics	Mergers and acquisitions
ESG related consulting	Outsourcing and insourcing
Running an actuarial consulting business	Unique challenges in dealing with global clients

Professionalism/Actuarial Education	
Actuarial audits	Ethical issues in artificial intelligence
Actuaries in new and non-standard fields	New developments in actuarial education
Managing conflicts of Interest	Continuing professional development
Serving the public interest	Professional guidance
Social value of actuarial work	Collaboration with other professionals

Practical Information for Submission

Submission Form : All submissions must be sent using the online form.

Closing Date : The closing date is September 30, 2025.

Key Information Required for Submission:

- Title of your presentation
- Abstract of your presentation (approximately 200-400 words)
- One main subject area relevant to your presentation and, optionally, one additional sub-subject area
Please choose from the following nine subjects : Life, Non-Life, Health, Pensions/Social Security, ERM, Investment/Finance, Actuarial Consulting, Professionalism/Actuarial Education, and Data Science/AI.
- Brief description of prior research or papers you plan to reference in your presentation, provided you already have an idea of what you will cite
- Current intention to submit a paper (rather than deliver a presentation without a paper)
Note: This is not binding.
- In-person or virtual presentation
- Short bio of no more than 150 words
- Year of birth
- Acceptance to the Speaker Agreement

Other requirements:

- All abstract submissions, presentations and papers must be in English.
- Submitted papers must not have been accepted for publication elsewhere prior to submission.
- Submitted papers must not exceed 40 pages.

Discounts on Registration Fees for Speakers

All individual speakers are eligible for discounted registration fees. If you plan to present your research as a group, only the main speaker will receive the discount. To qualify for the discount, speakers must complete their registration by the March 2, 2026 deadline.

General Timeline

March 17, 2025	Start of Call for Papers
September 30, 2025	Deadline for Submission of Abstracts
December 15, 2025	Notification of Acceptance or Rejection
March 2, 2026	Deadline for Speaker Registration
July 31, 2026	Deadline for Submission of Draft Papers
August 31, 2026	Deadline for Submission of Draft Presentation Slides
September 30, 2026	Deadline for Submission of Final Papers and Presentation Slides
November 8–13, 2026	ICA2026

Awards

ICA2026 will present awards for the best paper submitted in each of the nine subjects listed above, including Data Science/AI. To be eligible for an award, you must submit your final paper by the deadline of September 30, 2026. ICA2026 reserves the right not to award a prize in one or more subjects.

In addition, ICA2026 will select the best paper from young researchers across all subject areas. Researchers born in or after 1991 will be considered "young" for this award.

Each award-winner will receive a cash prize.

Bursaries

The IAA, through generous contributions from actuarial organizations, and its Sections will make funds available to provide some financial support to facilitate the participation of interested speakers and other delegates from low and middle-income countries. If you wish to be considered, you will be required to complete a bursary application form through the IAA Website ([Upcoming Congresses](#)).

Speaker Agreement

When you submit your abstract for selection for presentation at the 33rd International Congress of Actuaries (ICA2026), you agree to the following terms and conditions in relation to any presentation including but not limited to recordings, presentations including PowerPoint slides, abstracts, papers and the like (Work) you seek to present at ICA2026. In the event you are found to have breached any of the terms and conditions, ICA2026 may reject your Work and/or remove your Work from the program.

1. Logistics

1.1 You will register and pay to attend ICA2026.

1.2 You will arrange your own travel, accommodation, and associated insurances (where applicable).

1.3 If presenting virtually, you agree to take reasonable steps to ensure satisfactory technology to do so, in accordance with any ICA2026 requirements which will be provided to you upon acceptance of your Work for presentation at ICA2026. ICA2026 reserves the right at any stage to reject the Work or to remove the Work from the ICA2026 program if you do not meet the ICA2026 technology requirements.

1.4 You agree to submit your material by the required deadlines, as announced by ICA2026 upon acceptance of your Work for presentation at ICA2026.

2. Copyright/IP

2.1 You warrant that you are the copyright owner of the Work, and you grant ICA2026 and the International Actuarial Association an irrevocable, perpetual, non-exclusive licence, to reproduce your Work or any part of it, including a recording of your presentation, for publication during and after ICA2026.

2.2 If you are not the copyright owner of the Work, you agree to notify ICA2026 immediately. If you do not notify ICA2026 otherwise, you represent that you are the owner of the copyright and that you have the right to grant the licence referred to in clause 2.1.

2.3 In consideration for the licence granted in clause 2.1, ICA2026 agrees that any publication of the Work, including any publication of a recording of your presentation, will acknowledge that you are the author of the Work.

2.4 You agree that it is your obligation to advise ICA2026 immediately of any co-authors of your Work. You agree that the acknowledgement of authorship in accordance with clause 2.3 will be made based on the authorship information supplied by you and that ICA2026 will not be liable if you supply incomplete or inaccurate information.

2.5 You agree that the presentation of your Work will be recorded and may be broadcast live during ICA2026 to registered delegates.

2.6 You agree that your Work may be available on demand via the virtual platform for a period after ICA2026 to registered delegates.

2.7 You agree that your Work may be available after ICA2026 to both non-delegates and registered delegates.

3. Promotion

3.1 You agree that any professional photos taken during your presentation may be published.

3.2 You agree to the publication of your name, bio, organization and session title in all materials published for the promotion of ICA2026.

3.3 You acknowledge that members of the media will be registered delegates and may attend your session during ICA2026.

4. Etiquette

4.1 You agree that your Work will not contain anything that is defamatory, indecent or which infringes the statutory or common law rights of any third parties. You agree that you have referenced the contribution of any other person who assisted you in creating the Work.

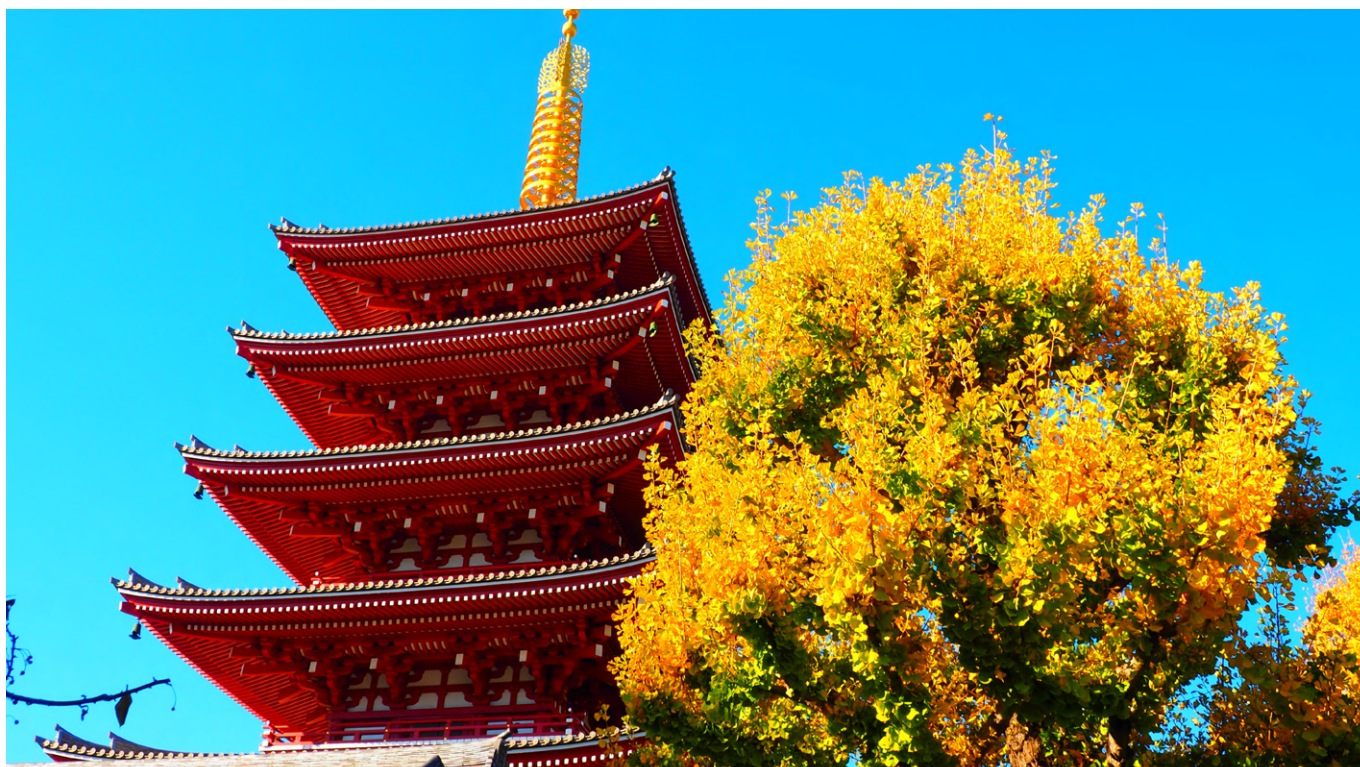
4.2 If your Work incorporates third party materials, you agree to supply to ICA2026 written permission from the copyright owner to use such third-party materials in your Work.

4.3 You agree that your Work is original, commercially unbiased, accurate and truthful.

4.4 You will adhere to the ICA2026 Code of Conduct, as announced by ICA2026.

4.5 All disputes arising out of or in relation to these terms and conditions are to be governed by the laws of Japan.

If any of these requirements present a problem, please contact ica2026-abs@congre.co.jp.



Registration

Registration for ICA2026 will open in November 2025. Early bird discounts will be available for Delegates and Full-Time Academics / Students who register early. In-person registration includes access to sessions, social programs, and ceremonies. Accompanying persons may attend social programs with an Additional Social Ticket. The registration fees are per person and include tax. The cancellation policy will apply if you cancel your registration on or after July 15, 2026.

In-Person

Category	Super Early	Early	Regular
	Nov 2025 - Apr 15, 2026	Apr 15, 2026 - Jul 15, 2026	Jul 15, 2026 - Nov 2026
Delegate	JPY 235,000 (USD 1,569)	JPY 268,000 (USD 1,790)	JPY 302,000 (USD 2,017)
Full-Time Academic / Student	JPY 188,000 (USD 1,255)	JPY 214,400 (USD 1,432)	JPY 241,600 (USD 1,613)
Presenter / Speaker	JPY 211,500 (USD 1,412)		
Additional Social Ticket for Accompanying Persons	JPY 50,000 (USD 333) (includes the Welcome Reception, Gala Dinner, and Closing Drinks)		

Virtual

Category	Super Early	Early	Regular
	Nov 2025 - Apr 15, 2026	Apr 15, 2026 - Jul 15, 2026	Jul 15, 2026 - Nov 2026
Delegate	JPY 58,800 (USD 393)	JPY 67,000 (USD 447)	JPY 75,500 (USD 504)
Full-Time Academic / Student	JPY 47,000 (USD 314)	JPY 53,600 (USD 358)	JPY 60,400 (USD 403)
Presenter / Speaker	JPY 52,900 (USD 353)		

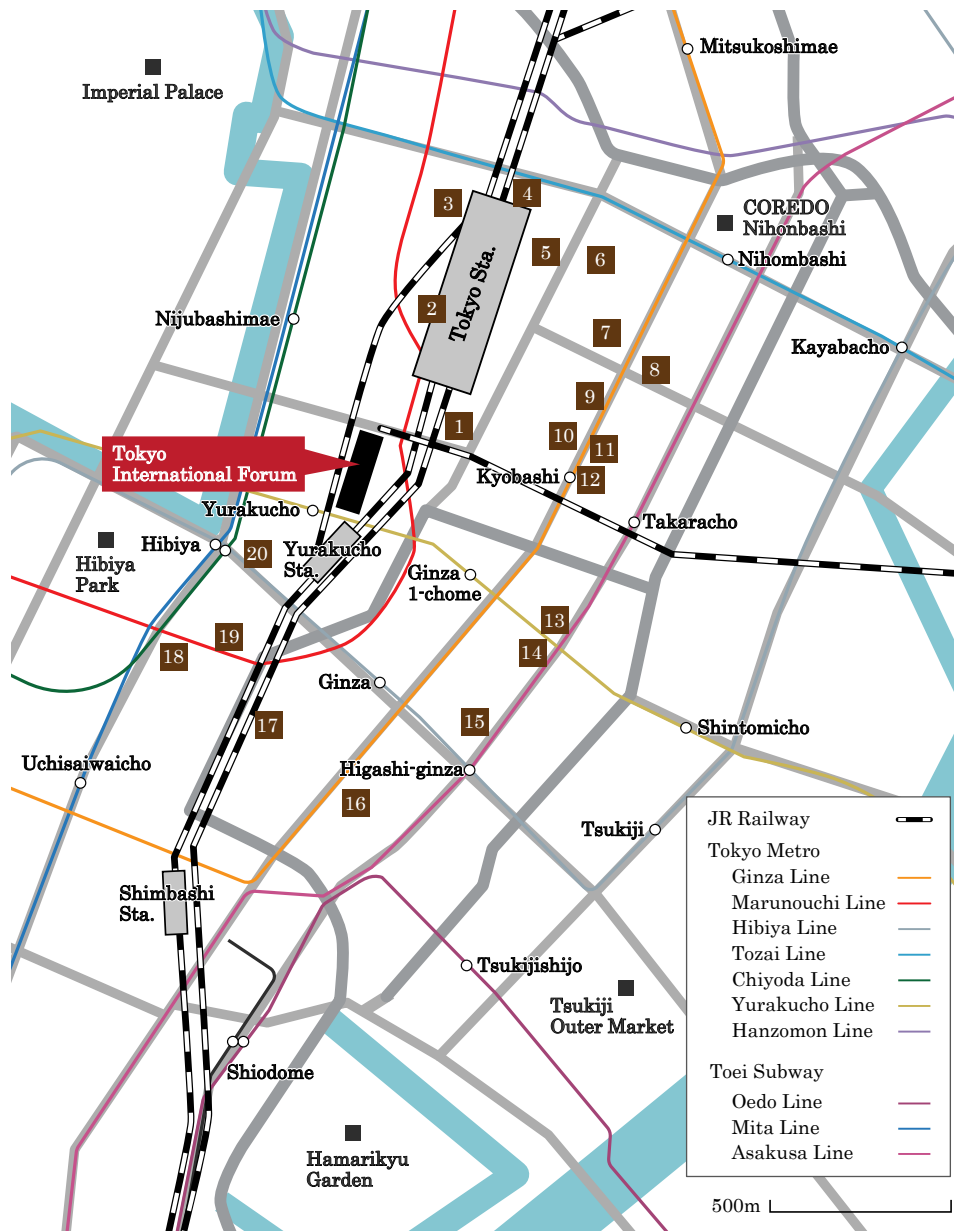
*Registration fees are set in Japanese yen. The USD amounts are for reference only, calculated at an exchange rate of USD/JPY 149.74, and may differ at the time of payment.

*Discount periods end at noon (JST) on the designated dates.

Accommodation

The Tokyo International Forum, the venue for ICA2026, is located near Tokyo Station and the Imperial Palace, which represent the center of Japan's economy, politics, and history. This makes the area one of the best places to stay in Tokyo. Below is a map and list of recommended hotels for ICA2026. The Tokyo Convention & Visitors Bureau also provides tourism and accommodation information on their website. Participants can search for hotels and make reservations according to their preferences from [this page](#).

*It is expected that hotel reservations will open approximately 10 months prior to the dates of stay.



No.	Hotels	From Hotel to Venue
1	FOUR SEASONS HOTEL TOKYO AT MARUNOUCHI	approx. 5 min on foot
2	THE TOKYO STATION HOTEL	approx. 7 min on foot
3	MARUNOUCHI HOTEL	approx. 11 min on foot
4	HOTEL METROPOLITAN TOKYO MARUNOUCHI JR-EAST	approx. 13 min on foot
5	Shangri-La Tokyo	approx. 13 min on foot
6	karaksa hotel TOKYO STATION	approx. 13 min on foot
7	Hotel Monte Hermana Tokyo	approx. 11 min on foot
8	karaksa hotel COLORS Tokyo Yaesu	approx. 15 min on foot
9	Mitsui Garden Hotel Kyobashi	approx. 9 min on foot
10	COURTYARD by MARRIOTT TOKYO STATION	approx. 9 min on foot
11	Daiwa Roynet Hotel TOKYO-KYOBASHI PREMIER	approx. 9 min on foot
12	remm Tokyo Kyobashi	approx. 8 min on foot
13	Daiwa Roynet Hotel GINZA PREMIER	approx. 8 min on foot
14	Hotel Monterey GINZA	approx. 8 min on foot
15	Solaria Nishitetsu Hotel Ginza	approx. 10 min on foot
16	HOTEL GRACERY GINZA	approx. 13 min on foot
17	GINZA HOTEL by GRANBELL	approx. 10 min on foot
18	Imperial Hotel Tokyo	approx. 10 min on foot
19	remm Hibiya	approx. 6 min on foot
20	THE PENINSULA TOKYO	approx. 6 min on foot

Social Program

Evening Events

As part of ICA2026, delegates can also join various evening events. Come together at the Welcome Reception on Monday, enjoy the Gala Dinner on Wednesday, and stay connected at our Farewell Event (Closing Drinks) on Thursday.

Welcome Reception

Join us at a venue inspired by traditional Japanese festivals.

The “Welcome Reception” will take place on Monday, November 9, 2026, at the Tokyo International Forum, Hall E. This event will feature the Bon Dance festival, a traditional Japanese celebration held on summer evenings to honor ancestral spirits.

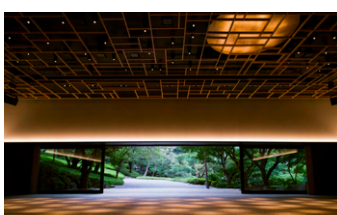
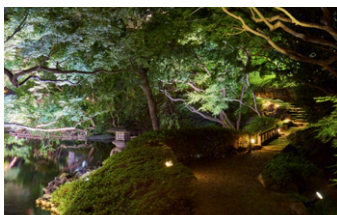
We primarily enjoy the Bon Dance as a recreational event. Participants dance in a circle around a raised platform while being captivated by the sounds of flute and drum music.

The venue, which recreates the Bon Dance and allows delegates to experience it firsthand, will provide unforgettable memories for every ICA2026 delegate.



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Gala Dinner



A Special Moment to Immerse Yourself in Japanese Culture

November 11, 2026, we invite you to join us for the “Gala Dinner” at HAPPO-EN, a venue whose name means “beautiful from all angles” or “beautiful everywhere you look”. The concept of our Gala Dinner is also to “Offer Japanese Culture” represented by Japanese food and traditional performing arts.

In an atmosphere that can only be experienced here, you must have precious opportunities for feeling a sense of Japanese culture and hospitality with exchanging among delegates from around the world.

It is a 40,000-square-meter Edo-era Garden, featuring natural hills, water elements, historical buildings, and relics to explore.

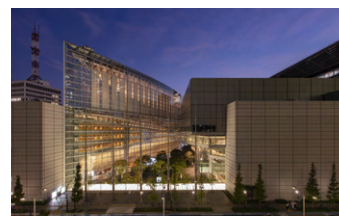
Established in the 1950s, this spectacular garden combines the truly elegant aspects of Japanese beauty, including ponds, rock gardens, and seasonal nature.

The bonsai trees, some over 500 years old, are worth seeing as well. Continuing its tradition of conveying Japanese beauty, HAPPO-EN is one of Tokyo's most famous locations for banquets and a refined visitor attraction where you can enjoy a stroll through the garden, experiencing traditional Japanese elegance. It is the perfect place to experience the beautiful heart and culture of Japan.

Closing Drinks

As we wrap up this unforgettable event, we invite you to join us for the final evening gathering, “Closing Drinks,” on Thursday, November 12, 2026, at the prestigious Tokyo International Forum, Hall B7 and B5.

This evening is not just about closing the event but about celebrating the connections we’ve made, the memories we’ve shared, and the exciting journeys that lie ahead. Let’s raise a glass to the future and enjoy one last moment together in the heart of Tokyo.



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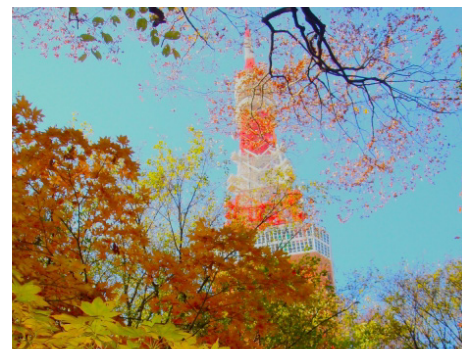
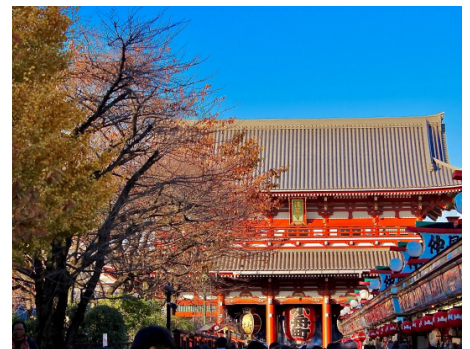
A City of Endless Discovery: Where Tradition Meets Modern Innovation

Tokyo is Japan's vibrant capital, where ancient traditions harmoniously coexist with cutting-edge innovation. It's a metropolis known for its towering skyscrapers, bustling streets, and centuries-old temples. As the heart of Japanese culture and commerce, Tokyo offers a rich blend of experiences, from the neon-lit streets of Shibuya and Shinjuku to the serene beauty of historic landmarks like the Imperial Palace and the tranquil Meiji Shrine.

Visitors can immerse themselves in a wide range of activities. Tokyo's districts, each with its own unique atmosphere, offer something for every traveler. In Akihabara, explore the world of anime, manga, and electronics. In Ginza, indulge in high-end shopping, or take a stroll through the historic streets of Asakusa, where the iconic Senso-ji Temple stands. Tokyo's parks and gardens, such as the expansive Ueno Park and the elegant Hibiya Park, provide peaceful escapes from the energetic urban core.

The city is also a global culinary capital, boasting more Michelin-starred restaurants than anywhere else in the world. From traditional sushi and ramen to innovative fusion cuisine, Tokyo's food scene is unparalleled. Additionally, visitors can enjoy modern attractions like the towering Tokyo Skytree and the digital art museum, teamLab Borderless.

With an efficient public transportation system, Tokyo is easy to navigate, whether you're looking to explore contemporary architecture, savor a meal at a hidden izakaya, or discover the city's rich cultural heritage. Whether for business or leisure, Tokyo is a city that never ceases to inspire and amaze.



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