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Sixth Expert Meeting of the Working Group on Marine Geospatial Information and International Seminar on United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management with the theme “Effective and integrated marine geospatial information management”

incorporating the fifteenth meeting of the International Hydrographic Organization Marine Spatial Data Infrastructures Working Group and the 2024 meeting of the Open Geospatial Consortium Marine Domain Working Group

Bali, Indonesia

4 - 8 March 2024

Logistical and Information Note

Preamble

In this logistical and information note, you will find relevant information about the logistics and arrangements for the Sixth Expert Meeting of the United Nations Working Group on Marine Geospatial Information, including information on the venue, visa, accommodation, and general information about Bali, Indonesia.

Administrative arrangements for the meeting

The Sixth Expert Meeting of the United Nations Working Group on Marine Geospatial Information will be held from 4 – 8 March 2024 in at the Courtyard by Marriott Bali Nusa Dua Resort, Nusa Dua, Bali, Indonesia. The meeting will generally be from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day. However, for Monday, 4 March, the international seminar can be expected to end at 5:30 p.m., and will be followed by a Welcome Dinner from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	4 MAR	5 MAR	6 MAR	7 MAR	8 MAR
MORNING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joint Opening of the international seminar and meetings of the UNWGMGI, IHOMSDIWG and OGCM DWG Welcome and opening addresses Keynote presentation 	Sixth expert meeting of the WG MGI (Segment #1)	Fifteenth meeting of the Working Group on MSDIWG	Meeting of the Marine Domain WG	Joint meeting of the Working Group on MGI, Working Group on MSDIWG and Marine Domain WG
	International Seminar Plenary Session #1	Fifteenth meeting of the Working Group on MSDIWG	Sixth expert meeting of the WG MGI (Segment #2)	Joint meeting of the Working Group on MGI, Working Group on MSDIWG and Marine Domain WG	Fifteenth meeting of the Working Group on MSDIWG
AFTERNOONS	International Seminar Plenary Session #2	Joint meeting of the Working Group on MGI, Working Group on MSDIWG and Marine Domain WG	Technical Site Visit (by invitation)	Joint meeting of the Working Group on MGI, Working Group on MSDIWG and Marine Domain WG	Sixth expert meeting of the WG MGI (Segment #3)
	International Seminar Plenary Session #3	Joint meeting of the Working Group on MGI, Working Group on MSDIWG and Marine Domain WG		Joint meeting of the Working Group on MGI, Working Group on MSDIWG and Marine Domain WG	Sixth expert meeting of the WG MGI (Concluding segment)
	Welcome Dinner (by invitation)	Joint meeting of the Working Group on MGI, Working Group on MSDIWG and Marine Domain WG		Joint meeting of the Working Group on MGI, Working Group on MSDIWG and Marine Domain WG	

Registration

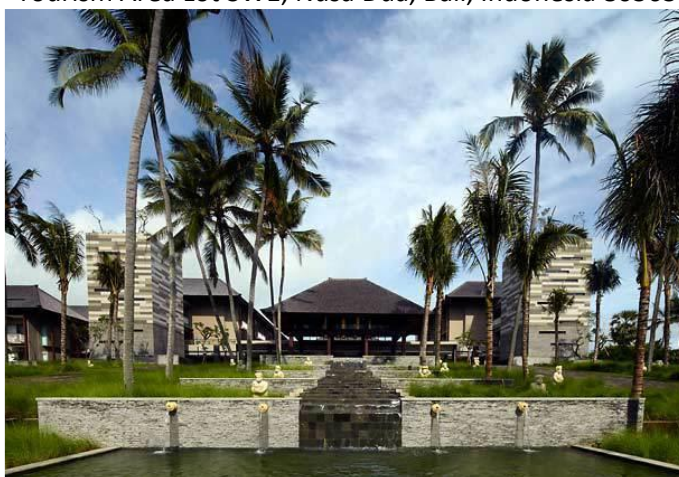
Prior registration for the International Seminar on “Effective and Integrated Marine Geospatial Information Management” and/or Site Visit is required for all participants at: <https://unggim-mgi.big.go.id>.

Venue

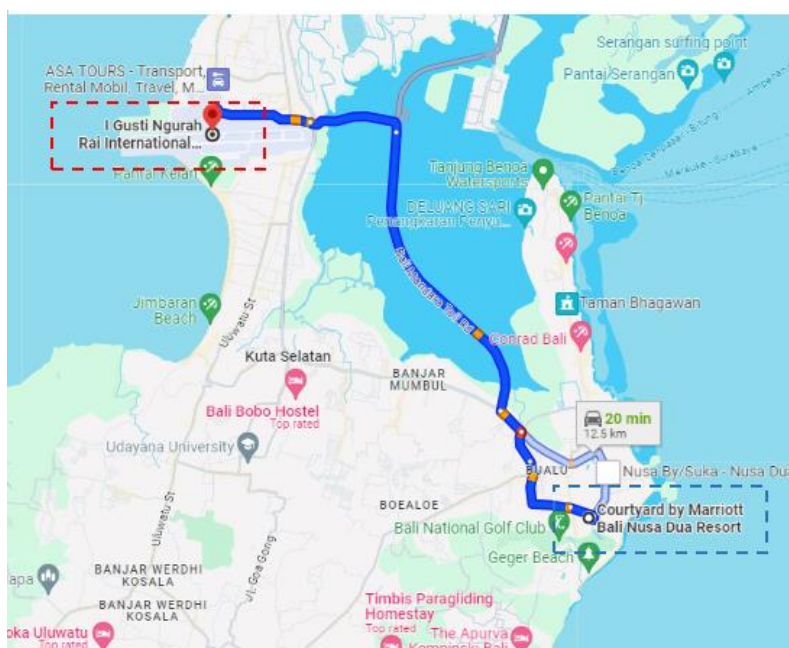
The Sixth Expert Meeting of the United Nations Working Group on Marine Geospatial Information will be held at:

Courtyard by Marriott Bali Nusa Dua Resort

Tourism Area Lot SW1, Nusa Dua, Bali, Indonesia 80363



The Courtyard by Marriott Bali Nusa Dua Resort is just minutes away from the famous Nusa Dua Beach. The beach is just a 20-minute stroll away from the resort or a 3-minutes' drive away. Free shuttle to and from the beach is available for the guests.



Blue rectangle= Courtyard by Marriott Bali Nusa Dua Resort and red rectangle = I Gusti Ngurah Rai International Airport



Language

The working language of the Sixth Expert Meeting of the United Nations Working Group on Marine Geospatial Information and the International Seminar is English.

Travel Information

To obtain the updated of travel information to Indonesia, please kindly visit:

<https://kemlu.go.id/bern/en/news/17810/entering-indonesia-updated-on-2-august-2022>

Passports and Visa

The Indonesian government requires a passport valid for at least six months from the date of arrival in Indonesia to enter the country. Passports should have at least two blank passport pages for entry stamp.

Participants may contact the nearest Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia or Consulate in the country of departure as soon as possible to determine whether a visa is required or visit the Indonesia Directorate General of Immigration website at: <https://www.imigrasi.go.id/> for further information.

Visitors of certain countries are eligible for visa exemption when visiting Indonesia. These countries are: Brunei Darussalam, Philippines, Cambodia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam, and Timor Leste. A visitor with visa exemptions requires a passport that is valid for at least 6 (six) months and a return ticket or a connecting ticket to continue the journey to another country. For more information, please visit: <https://www.imigrasi.go.id/en/bebas-visa-kunjungan/>.

Visitors from countries not included on the visa exemption list will need a visa to enter Indonesia. Electronic Visa on Arrival (e-VOA) are more convenient methods for obtaining a visa. To obtain e-VOA, visitors need to make sure that the country is eligible to obtain the e-VOA at the <https://www.imigrasi.go.id/en/e-voa/> Provide the legal and valid passport for at least six months and a return ticket or onward ticket to continue the trip to another country.

It is strongly advised to prepare all the necessary documents in advance. The e-VOA application must be done before arriving in Indonesia, please visit: <https://molina.imigrasi.go.id/>.

If your country is not in the e-VOA obtaining list, visitors have the option to apply for a Visitor Visa. For more information, please visit: <https://visa-online.imigrasi.go.id/> or visit the nearest Indonesian Embassy within your country. BIG can support the visa process with the issue of an invitation letter.

Please note that all visa and entry requirements to Indonesia are the sole responsibility of participants.

Transportation

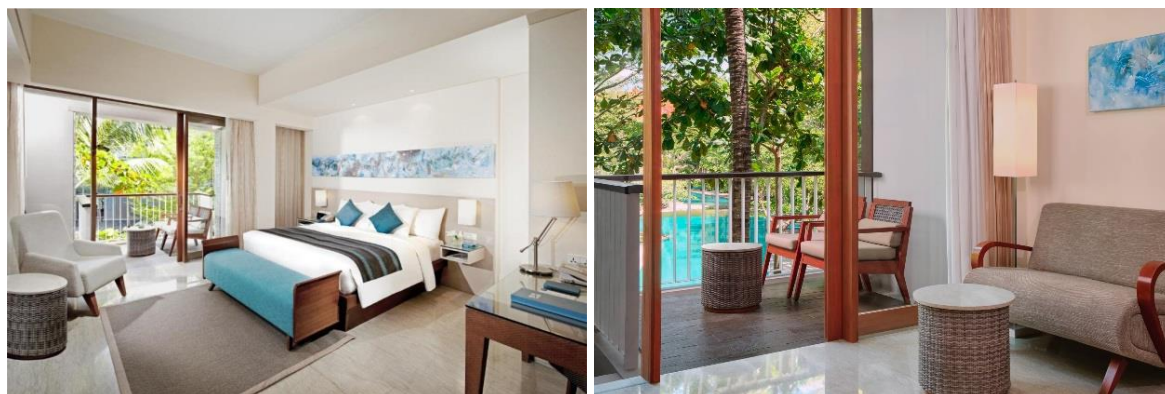
Courtyard by Marriott Bali Nusa Dua Resort is 13.8 km from I Gusti Ngurah Rai International Airport (DPS). The journey from the airport to the hotel is about 30 - 40 minutes, and the taxi fare is approximately IDR 250.000/\$17. (website <https://www.taxiairportbali.com>). Participants are responsible for arranging their own transportation to/from the hotel/venue. Here are transportation options available in Bali:

1. **Taxi:** Taxis, such as Bluebird or other taxi providers, are readily available in Bali, allowing you to easily hire one for transportation around Bali. You can either flag down a taxi on the street or request the hotel staff to arrange one for you.
2. **Ride-Sharing Apps:** Services like Grab, Gojek and Maxin operate in Bali. You can use these apps to book a ride to the airport. Ensure that the driver is aware of your destination.
3. **Private Car Service:** You may choose to hire a private car with a driver for a more comfortable and personalized transportation experience. Many transportation companies and drivers offer this service.
4. **Car Rental:** If you have rented a car during your stay in Bali, you can drive yourself to the airport. Ensure that you are aware of the drop-off procedures with the car rental company.
5. **Hotel Shuttle Service for Airport Service:** Many hotels offer shuttle services to and from the airport for their guests. Check with the hotel directly to inquire about the availability, schedule, and any associated costs for the shuttle service.
6. **Public Transportation:** While public transportation options are limited. However, these may not be as convenient for getting to the airport.

Accommodation

Participants are expected to make their own accommodation arrangements. The hotel information is provided for your reference. However, to get a preferential rate, please use the reservation link below: <https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1703843891310&key=GRP> or please kindly contact: Mrs. Dian, at diantriw15@gmail.com or +62 87861999090.

Room Type	Rate
Deluxe Room with breakfast and Internet (double Occupancy)	US\$141++ per night
Deluxe Room with breakfast and Internet with pool view (double Occupancy)	US\$ 152++ per night



Below is a selection of hotels in the vicinity of the venue:

1. Novotel Bali Nusa Dua - Hotel & Residences (<https://www.novotelnusaduabali.com/>)
Special rates are (including breakfast and wi-fi) approximately US\$ 115 per night, deluxe room.
2. Ayodya Resort Bali (<https://ayodyaresortbali.com/>)
Rates are (including breakfast and wi-fi) approximately US\$ 139 per night, superior room.
3. Melia Hotel (<https://www.melia.com/>)
Approximately S\$147 per night.
4. The Grand Bali Nusa (<https://www.thegrandbali.com/>)
Approximately S\$70 per night.

Site Visit by Host

Site Visit aims to visit iconic places in Bali and to introduce the culture and regional attractions in Bali. Participants who will take part in this event are those who have registered and received an email confirmation. The site visit location will be held at Garuda Wisnu Kencana (GWK) - a cultural tourist park - that has become a landmark and symbol of pride and characteristic for the Province of Bali. This location is designed to be the main place for artistic performances, exhibitions, and other major events. The event will be held both outdoors and indoors. The participants can adjust their clothes and bring the personal necessary equipment. The Host will provide accommodation and transportation.



Weather

In March 2024, the average temperature is 28 °C. In this month, Nusa Dua Bali produces the highest average of daily sunshine, coming in at 12 hours. With an average high of 84°F (29°C) and a low of 77°F (25°C), it generally feels pleasantly warm and humid.

Electricity

Most power plugs and sockets in Indonesia are type C and F. This plug is the 2-pin sockets which is used in many European countries as well. If you are coming from a country that does not use this type of socket, you should consider buying an adapter. The standard voltage is 230 V with a frequency of 50 Hz. It is recommended to use a voltage converter to charge your gadgets if you come from countries like the United States, Canada, and most South American countries as the range of voltage differs.



Figure 1. Type C



Figure 2. Type F



All hotels and airports provide sockets and plugs you can use for free as well. To ensure the safety of your electronic devices, please be aware of the voltage, plugs, and safety precautions related to electricity in Indonesia.

Currency and Exchange

The currency is Indonesian Rupiah (IDR). USD 1 = ± IDR 15,498 (as per December 2023). We encourage you to exchange your currency to IDR upon arrival to ensure you have local currency for your transactions. ATMs are widely available, and they accept major international cards such as Visa and MasterCard. When using ATMs, be cautious of your surroundings and avoid using poorly lit or isolated machines. Keep an eye on your cards during transactions and always cover the keypad when entering your PIN. Credit and debit cards are accepted at most hotels, restaurants, and larger retail establishments. However, for smaller businesses, local eateries and street markets and vendors may prefer cash payment.

Time Zone

The time zone for Bali is Indonesia Central Time (WITA) which is UTC +08:00. For the time difference between Bali and your country, please refer to <http://www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/>.

Health Facility

As a popular tourist destination, Bali offers several hospitals and pharmacies to cater to the healthcare needs of both residents and visitors.

- Hospitals near the venue:

BIMC Hospital Nusa Dua

Location: Kawasan ITDC Blok D, Jl. Nusa Dua, Benoa, Kec. Kuta Sel., Kabupaten Badung, Bali 80363

Phone: (0361) 3000911

Email: admin.nd@bimcbali.com

BIMC Nusa Dua is a 24-hour internationally standard medical and emergency service center.

- Pharmacies near the venue:

When it comes to pharmacies, there are numerous options available in Bali. One of the most well-known pharmacy chains in Indonesia is Kimia Farma. They have several branches in Bali, including in the Nusa Dua areas. They provide services ranging from prescription drugs, nonprescription drugs, traditional medicines, medical equipment, diet and nutrition, vitamins, minerals and supplements, baby and child necessities, personal care to beauty products. Additionally, there are other independent pharmacies scattered throughout Bali, offering similar services.

Hygiene

It is not recommended to drink tap water in Bali. It is safer to stick to sealed bottled water and avoid consuming ice and ingesting shower water. Staying hydrated with plenty of bottled water is important in Bali's hot and tropical climate, especially when exposed to the sun.

Diarrhea is a common issue in Bali, but you can stay healthy by washing your hands regularly and following some food guidelines. When buying food from markets, choose fruits that can be peeled or washed with bottled water. Ensure that meat, particularly chicken, is thoroughly cooked. If you are not near the coast, it is advisable to avoid seafood as it may not be fresh. Additionally, if you are not accustomed to spicy food, it is best to limit its consumption.

Bali has a presence of stray dogs and wild monkeys. While they may appear cute, it is important to refrain from approaching or touching them. Many of these animals carry rabies, and if you do come

into contact with them, wash your hands immediately. Avoid touching your face or food until your hands are clean.

Regular handwashing and the use of hand sanitizer can help prevent illness. If you do fall sick, it is crucial to seek medical attention, particularly if symptoms persist or if you have a continuously rising temperature.

Additional Information

On March 11, 2024, Bali will observe Nyepi Day, a significant cultural and religious celebration that entails a complete silence across the island. Nyepi, also known as the Balinese New Year, is a day of self-reflection, meditation, and religious activities. There are likely to be no flights on March 11, 2024. Therefore, please consider your return flight. Additionally, please find link below, if you would like to further information about Nyepi Day. (<https://bali.com/bali/travel-guide/culture/nyepi-balinese-new-year/>)

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