

12th International Conference on Equine Exercise Physiology, 2026



NATIONAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE



Committee Chair

Dr. Sammy Aoki

President, Japanese Society of Equine Science

DVM, Ph.D., President of the Japanese Society of Equine Science and one of the board directors of the Japan Farriers Association (JFA).

After graduating from Azabu University, he earned his doctorate from Azabu University Graduate School, where he analysed the changing horse leg movement on different hoof angles using video. In 1974, he joined the Japan Farriery Association as an instructor in their farrier's education program. For 45 years, he has promoted biomechanical research of horse locomotion, and has used his findings to theorise the principles of sport horseshoeing and therapeutic shoeing to educate active farriers and farriery students. During this time, he served as Secretary-General of the National Organising Committee for ICEEP 5 in Japan in 1998. In 2004, he was inducted into the International Equine Veterinarian Hall of Fame at the Derby Museum of Churchill Downs racetrack in Lexington, Kentucky, USA, for his efforts in promoting technical exchange with advanced European and American countries in the farriery industry, and for his efforts in the international standardisation of the farriery industry. His works include translation of advanced foreign books on horseshoeing and equine locomotion, as well as editorial supervising of Guidebook of Racehorses and the New Textbook of Farriery.



Committee Member

Prof. Masayoshi Kuwahara

School of Agricultural and Life Sciences, The University of Tokyo

Ph.D. Professor of Department of Veterinary, Pathophysiology and Animal Health and Director of Stock Farm in Graduate, School of Agricultural and Life Sciences, The University of Tokyo. He is a board member of the Japanese Society of Equine Science. In research, he has extensively studied cardiovascular and autonomic nervous functions in many animal species, including horses.



Committee Member

Dr. Atsushi Hiraga

Counselor, Equine Research Institute, Japan Racing Association

DVM, Ph.D., A former director of Equine Research Institute, Japan Racing Association and currently works as a counselor.

He was a former International Committee member of ICEEP from 2006 to 2014. He worked mainly on cardiopulmonary function during exercise, especially effects of training in young thoroughbreds and mechanics of EIPH.



Committee Member

Dr. Toshiyuki Takahashi

Director of the Japan Racing Association (JRA) Equine Research Institute

DVM, Ph.D., Director of JRA Equine Research Institute. International Committee of ICEEP from 2018.

He graduated in 1992 from Hokkaido University in Japan. He worked for five years as a clinician at the Racehorse Hospital of the JRA training center. From 1997, he worked at the JRA Equine Research Institute for 27 years, and currently, he is Director of the JRA Equine Research Institute. In 2007, he obtained a PhD on biomechanics and epidemiology of tendon injury in racehorses at Hokkaido University. His current research interests are in biomechanics, tendon and ligaments, EMG, and the epidemiology of limb injuries in racehorses.

DATES

Monday, 26th October – Friday, 30th October 2026

VENUE

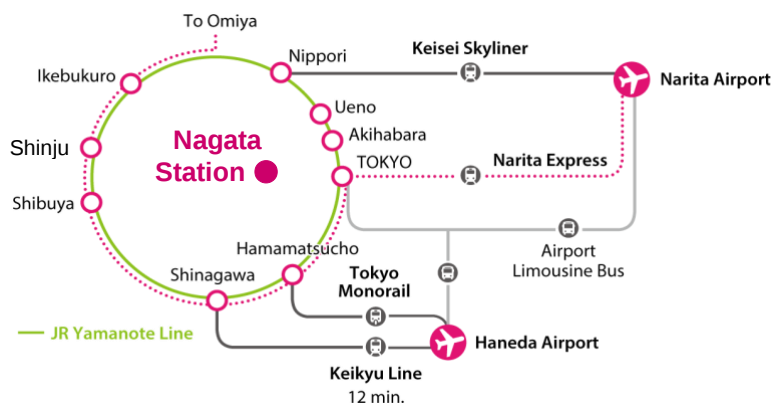
Toshi Center Hotel Tokyo

2-4-1 Hirakawa-cho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 102-0093, Japan

The hotel offers 327 guest rooms, including 12 deluxe twin rooms. Located in the Akasaka area, Tokyo, the hotel is perfectly placed in the heart of the city's government and business district. In contrast, the hotel features the perfect combination of gentle light, greenery and tranquil surroundings.



Train services to the Toshi Center Hotel, are available from two international airports, taking about 90 minutes from Narita International Airport and 40 minutes from Tokyo International Airport (Haneda). Limousine bus services to Tokyo Garden Terrace Kioicho located next to the hotel are also available from both airports. The venue is 4 minutes away from Tokyo Metro Nagatacho Station which is connected to 5 metro lines making it very convenient for local travelling.



Registration Fee (Tentative price)

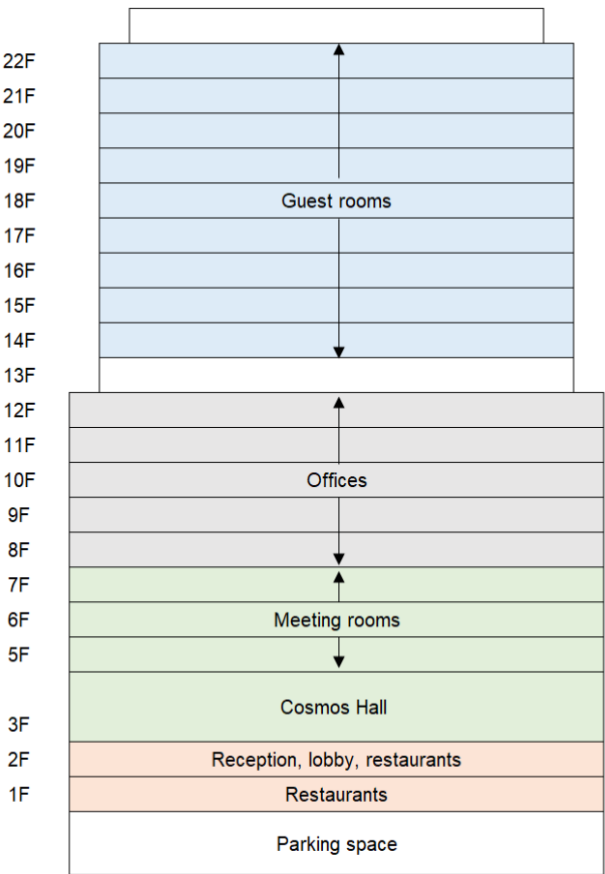
Item	Unit price (JPY)	(EUR)	(USD)
Registration Fee			
Member (Early-Bird)	85,000	531	567
Member (Late)	110,000	688	733
Student (Early-Bird)	45,000	281	300
Student (Late)	55,000	344	367
One day	25,000	156	167

*EUR 1 = JPY 160, USD 1= JPY 150 as of February 2025

Important dates and deadlines

- November 30, 2025 Abstract submission open
- February 28, 2026 Abstract submission deadline
- April 30, 2026 Decision notified to authors and abstract corrections requested
- May 31, 2026 Corrected abstract submission deadline
- June 15, 2026 Final acceptance decision
- July 15, 2026 Presenting authors or their replacement must complete conference registration
- July 15, 2026 Final program decided

Meeting rooms



Each meeting room at the hotel is easy to reach from the main lobby. All meeting rooms have first-class amenities, with particular emphasis on room flexibility.

Catering

There are two restaurants and a lounge cafe in the hotel. Guests can explore the numerous restaurants, bars, and shops in the vicinity, thus

giving delegates plenty of opportunities to enjoy their meals.

Restaurant Iris



Japanese Restaurant Bairin



Lounge



Plenary Session & Gala Dinner

The plenary session and the gala dinner will take place in the “Cosmos Hall” on the 3rd floor, which can seat 504 classroom style.



Poster Session

The poster session will take place in the meeting rooms on the 6th floor.



Exhibition Hall

For the exhibition, Rooms 601 (166 m²) and 606 (157 m²) on the 6th floor have been allocated.



Lunch

Lunch will be served in buffet-style for four days during the Conference in the Orion on the 3rd floor and the rooms Subaru, Kiku, Sakura, and Ran on the 5th floor.



Orion



Subaru

ACCOMMODATION

Overview

Tokyo offers 188,775 guest rooms from 3,308 hotels, ranging from deluxe to budget accommodation. There is no official star rating in Japan. Thus, we offer hotels in categories corresponding to the price range.

Toshi Center Hotel (Venue) https://www.rihga.com/toshicenter_tokyo

The Toshi Center Hotel has 327 rooms and can provide 120 single rooms and 30 twin rooms for ICEEP 12 delegates, from Sunday, 25 October to Sunday, 30 October 2026 at the following group rates.

Single room, non-smoking			Twin room single-use, non-smoking		
JPY	EUR*	USD*	JPY	EUR*	USD*
About 15,000	About 94	About 100	About 20,000	About 125	About 133

*EUR 1 = JPY 160, USD 1= JPY 150

- *Breakfast and service charges included
- *Free Wi-Fi included in all guest rooms
- *Tax not included
- *Prices above are current as of February 2025 and are subject to change



Single Room



Twin Room

Hotel Access

https://www.rihga.com/toshicenter_tokyo/location

ACTIVITIES IN TOKYO

All delegates will have the opportunity to experience Japanese culture and hospitality during their time outside the official programs. We suggest holding social events in authentic Japanese environments, indulging in Japanese culture.

Popular Trips in Tokyo

Tokyo is full of things to see, do, and enjoy. The best way to experience Tokyo in limited time is to take a tour. Below are some of the main sightseeing spots and suggested unique, sustainable activities for the delegates to enjoy on Day 3.

SUMIDA RIVER CRUISE & HAMA-RIKYU GARDENS

A relaxing cruise along the Sumida River and a stroll in Hama-rikyu, an elegant traditional garden originally a hunting reserve for the Tokugawa family, the Shogun who ruled Japan. The garden is located just next to the skyscraper buildings in the Ginza and Shiodome area.

Sustainable Activities in Tokyo

TOKYO'S ROOFTOP HONEYBEES

Visiting a bee farm on the roof of a building in the Ginza district, Tokyo's most famous upscale shopping area in central Tokyo, makes one feel a bit like a bee.

A lecture on honeybees in Ginza allows for visitors to learn how these tiny creatures bring honeydew from the Imperial Palace Hamari-kyu Gardens, just 2km away back to their hives. Guests can feel the abundance of flowers they bring to the centre of Tokyo and enjoy tasting three kinds of seasonal honey harvested in Ginza.

'PADDLING TO PROTECT' CLEAN-UP EXPERIENCE

This rubber-boat river cleaning experience includes paddling northward along the Old Nakagawa River toward TOKYO SKYTREE®.

While collecting plastic waste with a net, guests can also enjoy the unique riverside view perfect for bird watching and city-gazing.

WALKING TOUR THROUGH NOSTALGIC TOKYO

The Yanasen area still retains nostalgic scenery and a slow-paced life that adds to Tokyo's rich tapestry. In this program, guests will tour the town on foot with a guide, strolling through alleys abuzz with daily life and visiting cafes and shops in 80-year-old houses.

ASAKUSA

Senso-ji Temple in Asakusa is the oldest temple in Tokyo, founded in 628 AD.

It was a former centre for Edo culture, and today, markets are held here throughout the year. The approach to the temple is lined with small shops.

TOKYO SKYTREE®

Not far from Senso-ji Temple is TOKYO SKYTREE®, the world's highest free-standing broadcasting tower, at 634 m-high. Take the elevator travelling at 600 m/minute up to the observation deck 350 meters above ground level for a 360-degree panoramic view of Tokyo. On a clear day, you can see the majestic Mt. Fuji in the distance. At the foot of TOKYO SKYTREE®, there is a large shopping/dining area called Tokyo Solamachi®. This is the best places to find Japanese souvenirs to take home.

ACCESS

Air Access Overview

Tokyo provides excellent direct air access for overseas travellers and is served by two international airports: Narita and Haneda. These two airports offer over 2,400 international flights per week in total, connecting a total of 119 cities around the world, as of February 2020.

Narita International Airport

Local Transportation

Access within Tokyo

ABOUT THE CITY

City Overview

Tokyo, Japan's bustling capital city, is a modern, vibrant megalopolis that combines business, knowledge, creativity, and innovation. The city is the epitome of fusion, where over 400 years of Japanese history is juxtaposed with modern Tokyo, providing a unique experience for all visitors. There is something for everyone - visitors can choose from over 100,000 restaurants, including 218 Michelin-starred restaurants, enjoy one of its 80 plus parks, immerse themselves in the aesthetics of Japanese tea ceremony, or indulge in a night of unique Japanese culture at a Kabuki theatre. According to TIMES, Tokyo was selected as one of the Worlds' 100 Greatest Places of 2021. And for the 2017 instalment of its annual Quality of Life Survey, Monocle magazine ranked the livability of some of the world's largest cities according to 60 metrics, and Tokyo claimed the number one spot.

Sustainability

Tokyo is a beautiful city filled with stunning greenery. The green coverage ratio is 50.5%, and the city is advancing developments that incorporate both tangible and intangible universal design. In terms of transportation, Tokyo ranks 1st in the world for efforts to lower transport emissions and 2nd in the world for electric vehicle incentives (Sustainable Cities Mobility Index 2017, Arcadis).

The Tokyo Metropolitan Government continuously takes pioneering measures for further climate change mitigation and energy saving. In July 2016, the government released Tokyo's Environmental Policy, setting concrete goals towards 2030 in areas including expanding renewable energy, using sustainable materials, and creating a green environment. The government also supports the installation of energy management systems in homes to reduce carbon dioxide emissions. All this is contributing to the creation of a bright future for Tokyo.

Weather in Tokyo

Autumn

The heat of summer can linger into September, and this time of year is punctuated by occasional typhoons. However, the temperature and humidity gradually drop, ushering in a gloriously crisp autumn with pleasant weather. The average temperature will be **around 18 degrees Celsius (64 degrees Fahrenheit)**.
