

**From Kansai Airport to Seta/Minami Kusatsu station,  
APA Hotel Biwako Seta-Ekimae/Urban Hotel Minami kusatsu  
and Seta campus of Ryukoku University**

All the invited speakers from Taiwan and Prof. Chueh-Hsin Chang are accommodated in APA Hotel Biwako Seta-Ekimae,

<https://www.apahotel.com/hotel/kansai/04.seta-urban/>  
(+81-77-543-6111)

in front of JR Seta station, which is the nearest station to Seta campus of Ryukoku University.

On the other hand all the organizers except for Prof. Chueh-Hsin Chang are accommodated in Urban Hotel Minami kusatsu

<http://www.uh-urban.com/minami-kusatsu/english/index.html>  
(+81-77-561-0606)

in front of the west exit of JR Minami kusatsu station, which is next to Seta station.

For information on access to Ryukoku University and Campus map, enter the site

**[www.ryukoku.ac.jp/english/web/map/index.html](http://www.ryukoku.ac.jp/english/web/map/index.html)**

and check the Seta campus map. But it is not satisfactory.

Following is more information on how to get to Seta/Minami kusatsu station and APA Hotel Biwako Seta-Ekimae/Urban Hotel Minami kusatsu from Kansai International airport.

- (1) Kansai airport to JR Kyoto station: Check the location of JR Kansai airport station in the site

<http://www.kansai-airport.or.jp/en/access/train/index.html>

Go to the JR ticket office of Kansai Airport Station. We strongly recommend you to buy “ICOCA & HARUKA” which is a set containing an “ICOCA” IC card (pre-charged with 1,500 yen) and a discounted ticket for the Kansai-Airport Express “HARUKA”. The ICOCA can be used on JR, subway, private railway and bus transportation and for shopping in the Kansai Area and beyond. The Kansai-Airport Express “HARUKA” provides direct access from Kansai-airport Station to

Tennoji, Shin-Osaka and Kyoto Stations. Please buy a round trip type (5,200 yen); for the details see <https://www.westjr.co.jp/global/en/ticket/icoca-haruka/>

After buying ICOCA & HARUKA, take the airport express ”**Haruka**” for Kyoto. It takes about 75 mins from the airport station to Kyoto station. Haruka is available every 30 mins from 7:27 to 20:46. The last train will depart at 22:16 and arrive at 22:32 in Kyoto.

<https://www.westjr.co.jp/global/en/travel/shopping/access/train.html>

- 2) A change of trains at Kyoto station: **Go to No.2 platform in Kyoto JR station and take a local train of Biwako line.** You don't have to get out of Kyoto station. All the trains of Biwako line are available at No.2 platform except for a very special time zone. Such a local train mostly departs every 15 mins.
- 3a) **For the people going to Seta station:** Be careful that **you never get on any rapid train of Biwako line**, also **never get on a train of Kosei line** which departs from No.2 platform in a special time zone.
- 4a) The following is a list of stations between Kyoto and Seta stations:

**Kyoto — Yamashina - Otsu - Zeze - Ishiyama — Seta**

It takes about 20 minutes from Kyoto to Seta. **Any local train will stop at each station.** If you got a wrong train, you would be able to see it.

- 5a) After getting off the train, go up a staircase and you see a gate. You have to pay for the local train from Kyoto to Seta. Use ICOCA card for the payment. Go through the gate and turn left, then you will get to a bus terminal in front of the station.
- 6a) You can see **APA Hotel Biwako Seta-Ekimae** just forward. There is a registration desk **at the third floor, and the entrance of the hotel is found in the right side of the building.**
- 3b) **For the people going to Minami kusatsu station:** All the trains of Biwako line are available. A rapid train also takes you to Minami kusatsu station. Minami kusatsu station is one station away from Seta station. Any rapid train stops at Otsu, Ishiyama and Minanami kusatsu

stations. But **never get on a train of Kosei line** which departs from No.2 platform in a special time zone.

- 4b) After getting off the train, go up a staircase and you see a gate. You have to pay for the local train from Kyoto to Minami Kusatsu. Use ICOCA card for the payment.
- 5b) Go through the gate and turn left, then you will see Seta Urban Hotel Minami kusatsu.
- 6b) From Minami Kusatsu station to Seta station: When you go to Seta station, you have to take a stop train. **Never get on a rapid train.**
- 7) From Seta Station to Ryukoku University:
  - (i) The bus stop for Ryukoku is **No.3** which is located at the end of the corner in the terminal. It is farthest from the station and nearest from APA Hotel.
  - (ii) Get on a bus for the destination **Ryukoku University (龍谷大学)** or **Otsu-Kosetsu-Ichiba(大津市公設市場)**. Don't get on any other bus.
  - (iii) It takes about 10 mins to Ryukoku Campus by bus. You easily see where you get off, because only one stop is available in the campus. **When you get off, you have to pay 210 yen at the cash box near the front door of the bus.**
  - (iv) You see the **No.1 building**, which is the biggest one located in the center of the campus. In front of the No.1 building there is a square and you can find the No.2 building in the left hand side of the square. Go though the No.2 building and go forward until you see the No.8 building. The conference room is the first floor of the No.8 building.

**See you at Seta. Have a good trip!**