Second Intergovernmental Review Meeting of the
Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the
Marine Environment from Land-based Activities

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## Meetings and Venue

Venue: Beijing International Convention Center (BICC)
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## Calendar

| Time | | Activity | | BICC |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 16 Oct. Monday | 10: 00–13: 00 | National implementation in action plenary | | Convention hall 1 (2F) |
| | 15: 00–18: 00 | Parallel | Mainstreaming the GPA into national Development planning | Convention hall 3 (3F) |
| | | | Financing the implementation of the GPA | Convention hall 6/7/8 (2F) |
| | | | Strengthen legislative and institutional frameworks to further implementation of the GPA | Convention hall 10/11 (3F) |
| 17 Oct. Tuesday | 10: 00–10: 30 | Partnership–– mainstreaming of GPA 1. Plenary | | Convention hall 1 (2F) |
| | 10: 30–18: 00 | 2. Parallel sessions (5 rooms and 19 topics) * the arrangement is on next page | | Convention hall 4, 6/7, 8, 10, 11 |
| Wednesday 18 Oct. | 10: 00–13: 00 | Building a common agenda Plenary | | Convention hall 1 (2F) |
| | 15: 00–18: 00 | | | |
| | 10: 30–13: 00 | Stakeholder Forum | | Convention hall 11 (3F) |
| | 13: 00–18: 00 | China forum | | Convention hall 6/7/8(2F) |
| | 15: 00–16: 20 | China – LAC Reg Seas | | Convention hall 4 (3F) |
| 19 Oct. Thursday | 10: 00–13: 00 | Ministerial/High-level segment Plenary | | Convention hall 1 (2F) |
| | 15: 00–18: 00 | | | |
| | 13: 00–15: 00 | Ocean+Water | | Convention hall 10 (3F) |
| | 15: 00–18: 00 | DTIE Nitrogen | | Convention hall 3 (3F) |
| | | EAS Forum | | Convention hall 10 (3F) |
| | | GEF | | Convention hall 7 (2F) |
| | | GCLME | | Convention hall 8 (2F) |
| Friday 20 Oct. | 10: 00–13: 00 | Ministerial/High-level segment 1. Plenary | | Convention hall 1 (2F) |
| | 15: 00–17: 00 | 2. Plenary | | Convention hall 1 (2F) |

The final agenda will be based on the meeting announcement

## Tuesday, 17 October 2006 Partnerships

10:30–18:00 Parallel Sessions

* the numbers in the table refer to the 19 partnership workshops set out in the list below.

| time | Hall 6&7 | time | Hall 11 | time | Hall 8 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 10:30–13:00 | 1* | 10:30–11:40 | 4 | 10:30–11:40 | 8 |
| 15:00–16:20 | 2 | 11:45–13:00 | 5 | 11:45–13:00 | 9 |
| 16:40–18:00 | 3 | 15:00–16:20 | 6 | 15:00–16:30 | 10 |
| | | 16:40–18:00 | 7 | 16:30–18:00 | 11 |

| time | Hall 10 | time | Hall 4 |
|---|---|---|---|
| 10:30–11:40 | 12 | 10:30–11:40 | 16 |
| 11:45–13:00 | 13 | 11:45–13:00 | 17 |
| 15:00–16:20 | 14 | 15:00–16:20 | 18 |
| 16:40–18:00 | 15 | 16:40–18:00 | 19 |

## The list of partnership workshops:

1 Strategic Partnerships for International Waters in the Global Environmental Facility (GEF):Mainstreaming GPA in Transboundary Basins and Large Marine Ecosystems (LMEs)

2 UNEP/GEF Strategic Partnership for the Mediterranean Large Marine Ecosystem: Implementation of agreed actions for the protection of the environmental resources of the Mediterranean Sea and its coastal areas.

3 Local Government Implementation of GPA: Partnerships in Integrated management of Coastal and Marine Areas

4 Increasing Public Awareness of the Global Oceans Agenda, Implementation of the Ocean Awareness and Stewardship Activities and Promotion of the Citizenship of the Ocean

5 The Oceans Library

6 Moving Towards a Successful Implementation of Sustainable Sanitation Services

7 Oceans Training: Synergies in Capacity-Building through Multi-Partner Collaboration

8 National Implementation of the LBA Protocols in Partnership with the Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans

9 Advancing JPOI Targets on Ecosystem Management and in Integrated Coastal and Ocean Management Through the GPA: Global reporting and case studies

10 Marine Litter-a Global Challenge

11 Establishing a London Convention/GPA/Regional Seas Partnership

12 Planning Instruments for Sustainable Tourism in Small Island Developing States (SIDS)

13 Information Portal on Waste Management for SIDS

14 White Water to Blue Water-a model for partnership building in the wider Caribbean and beyond

15 Cooperative environmental governance: Pacific SIDS partnerships on wastewater and recycling initiatives

16 Seeking solutions to integrating stakeholders to achieve sustainable freshwater and coastal management at the local and national level in the wider Caribbean.

17 The Challenge of Linking Freshwater and Coastal Management

18 China-Africa, China-Arabic Partnership for Environmental Cooperation

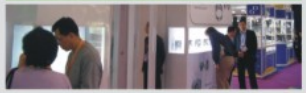
19 Demonstration of an integrated freshwater to oceans management approach for the Xiamen-Zhangzhou-Long Hai region of Fujian Province

## Other related activities

1. Exhibition
Time：16th － 20th，October
Site ：BICC 2F

2. Reception hosted by State Environmental Protection Adminstration of China
Time：18:30–20:30 16th，October
Site ：the lawn of BICC

3. Reception hosted by UNEP
Time：18:30–20:30 18th，October
Site ： Lobby of BICC (1F and 2F)





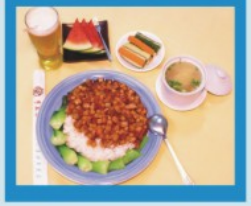
## Restaunrants surrounding BICC

| | Restaurant | Famous | Business time | Tel No. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Subway | Fast food | 8:00-21:00 | 84989797 |
| 2 | Domino’ pizza | Fast food | 10:00-22:30 | 84975068 |
| 3 | Le jazz | Fast food | 11:00-22:30 | 64912641 |
| 4 | Mcdonalds | Fast food | 24 hour | 64911209 |
| 5 | Pizzahut | Fast food | 10:30-22:30 | 64955657 |
| 6 | Shangdao Coffee | Fast food | 24 hour | 64994842 |

Restaurant in the hotels

Crowne Plaza Park View Wuzhou Beijing
1 Brazilian Churrascos Restaurant (1F)
11:30–14:30 and 17:30–22:00
2 Yue Fengge Chinese Restaurant (1F)
11:30–14:30 and 17:30–22:00
3 Caf é Asia (1F)
24 hours

Beijing Continental Grand Hotel
Heavenly Sky Chinese Restaurant (1F)
11:30–14:30 and 17:30–21:00



## Logestic Services

(especially for representation)

1. Interpreting Facility

(1) There will be interpretation of 6 official languages of the UN in the convention Hall No.1 during the General GPA.

(2)The earphones will be placed on the seats. Please put the earphones back on the seats before leaving the Convention Halls.

(3)Interpretation receiving channels:1–Chinese; 2–English; 3–French; 4–Spanish; 5–Arabic; 6–Russian

2. Document Distribution Areas

From October 16 to 20, documents and materials of GPA Council are placed on the first floor in BICC.

3. Press Center

There is a press room in the Hall No.14 in BICC providing services for the media.

4. Medical Service

There is a First aid Centre on the second of BICC, which provides simply medical service. The doctors working at the First aid Centre are all well experienced and bilingual (English). Please bring your ID and registration card with you when you need medical service.you will be sent to the china-japan friendship hospital for the emergency treatment at your own expenses.

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5. Travel Agency: the first floor in BICC

business hour:9:00-18:00

services: booking, and confirming the air ticket, travel arrangements

6. place of prayer

The Chinese Secretariat will arrange one room No.3007 on the third floor in BICC for prayer.

7. Net café: the third floor in BICC

(free charge)

business hour: 9:00-19:00

## Other Services

(hotel facilities, charge for the service)

1.Coffee shop(2F), second floor in BICC

business hour:9:00-21:00

services:Fast food and coffee

2. Business center(1F), first floor in BICC

business hour:8:00-17:00

services:

(1) Photographing and developing

(2) Phone call; selling IC/IP for international calls

(3) Copy

3. Bank(B1): china merchant bank on the first base floor

business hour:9:00-18:00

services: exchange of foreign currency, credit card, exchange of traveler' s check, and ATM.

services: booking, and confirming the air ticket, travel arrangements

4. Shop(2F): second floor in BICC

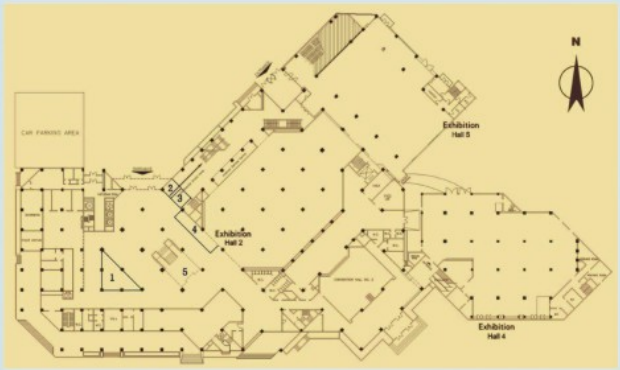
business hour: 9:00-17:00

service: selling various souvenirs

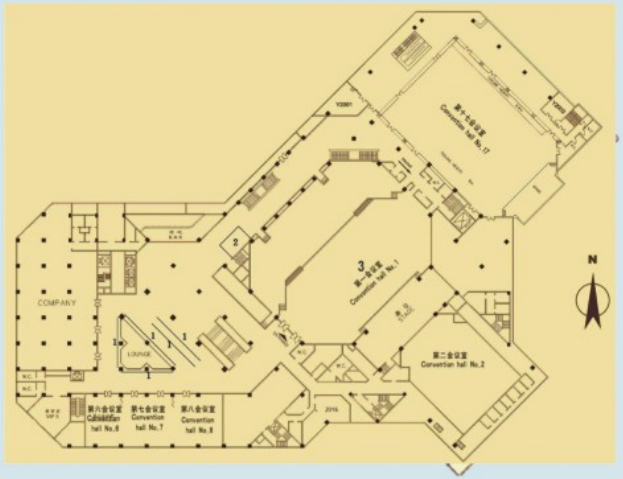
# Plan of BICC

## Floor 1

1.Registration
2.Travel Agency
3.GPA Finance Office
4.Meeting Documents
5.Business Center





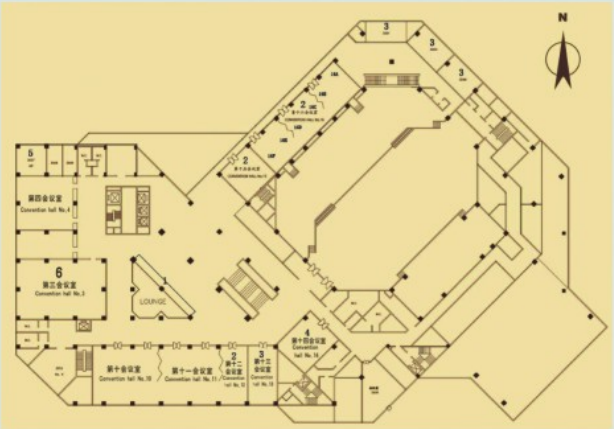




## Floor 2

1.Exhibition Area
2.First aid Centre
3.Convention Hall No.1

## Floor 3

1.Net Cafe
2.GPA Office
3.SEPA Office
4.Press Center
5.place of Prayer
6.Press Conference






## About Beijing

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## Welcome to Beijing

Situated in the East Asia, the People' s Republic of China has a land area about 9.6 million square kilometers and a population of approximately 1.3 billion. Representing one of the earliest civilizations in the world, china is an united multi-ethnic nation of 56 ethnic groups. As early as the 21st B.C, china founded its first dynasty xia. After 4000 years of passing through the slave society, feudal society and semi-colonial and semi-feudal society, the Chinese people of different ethnic groups founded the People' s Republic of China under the leadership of the communist party headed by Mao Zedong in 1949. On October 1st, 1949,the People' s Republic of China claimed its independence.

Beijing is endowed with rare cultural heritage by its long history. The Great Wall, one of the world wonders and the only piece of man-made architecture that can be seen from the space, meanders through mountains and valleys for hundreds of kilometers in the region of Beijing. The poetic and picturesque Summer Palace is a classic work of the imperial garden. The Forbidden City is the most splendid architectural complex of imperial palaces in the world. The Temple of Heaven is the place of worship for emperors of Ming and Qing dynasties as well as a masterpiece of ancient Chinese architectural art. The above four have all been listed the World Cultural Heritage by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). The Hutongs and the dwelling compounds (quadrangles or siheyuan) are of the most Beijing flavored. They have witnessed the ups and downs of the city in the past centuries and are a symbol of the life of Beijing people.

changes have been taking place day by day in being as china' s deepening

reform and opening-up to the outside world .as a popular saying going around here, Beijing is growing taller with more massive buildings springing up, greener with trees and grass covered all over the city, and younger with people leading a richer and more colorful life in Beijing. it has full confidence to advance at a greater pace in the 21st century. This is Beijing, old as well as young, full of charm. it is our sincere hope that you will make best use of your time here to see around believe that you will harvest a lot.

### Administration

Beijing is one of the municipalities under direct administration of the central government (the other three are Tianjin, Shanghai and Chongqing). Under its administration are 16 districts and 2 county. The present Mayor of Beijing is Mr. wang Qishan.

### Transportation in Beijing

1. Subway

Line 1 ： is from Pingguoyuan to Sihui East.

Line 2 ： is a loop line,goes around the central area of Beijing. Fuxingmen and Jianguomen are the two interchange stations. You don't have to go out of the station and buy the ticket again if you want to change the lines here. There is bilingual service notifying the stations of the

subway.

Line 13：is from Dongzhimen to Xizhimen.

Batong Line：is from Sihui to Tuqiao.

Opens:5:00am - 11:00pm.

2. Public transportation

The net work of public transportation covers the whole city.

3. car hire

The roof of all the taxis is capped with a symbol of TAXI. The red light behind the glass window indicates that the taxi is for hiring. the windows at both sides of the back seat of the taxi are glued with a price tag for the taxi for each kilo meter.

### Food

Chinese food has been well known throughout the world besides tasting some of the Chinese food offered by the conference. You will still have the chances to buy some of it so that you can enjoy as much the food we introduce to you as possible.

In business hour of other common restaurants is usually from 10:00am to 2:00pm for lunch and 5:00pm to 9:00pm for dinner. A few restaurants offer 24-hour service. Many restaurants have well-decorated private rooms but there might be a requirement

of minimum expenditure if you choose such rooms.

Beijing has some well-known local food such as roast duck, mutton hot opt and royal delicacy. You could choose some best-known restaurants, such as Quanjude Roast Duck restaurant. Donglaishun Restaurant, pro-royal restaurant to enjoy these local foods. Located in the center of the city, these restaurants normally have many customers. Thus, it is recommended that you book in advance.

## Shopping

The works of fine arts with particular oriental characteristics such as cloisonn é jade works, enamel and silk embroidery, enjoy a long history. There are also some folk artistic works in Beijing, such as clay figurine, Beijing opera facial makeup, kite and paper-cut. If you want to buy such art works, Liulichang is the best place to go. It is a street with the Chinese cultural uniqueness located in the center of Beijing,. The best-known traditional market for art works with a history of more than five hundred years

Besides, the silk market is a place where foreigners usually buy Chinese costumes and Panjiayuan is a famous numismatics market. All the places mentioned above have been clearly indicated on the map of Beijing.

Beijing has more than 100 large and medium shopping centers. North Star Shopping Center, located near BICC, is one of them. In addition, Wangfujing, Qianmen Dazhalan and Xidan are there well-known business districts in Beijing. Wangfujing in particular, has the Oriental Plaza, with a history of 100 years, which became one of the biggest commercial complexes in Asia after the renovation.

## General Information

1. Currency

The current exchange rate is approximately 1USD=7.8CNY (China Yuan Renminbi).

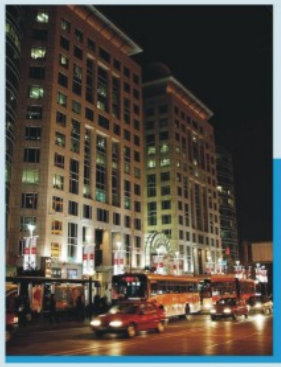


2. credit card

the foreign credit cards accepted by the branches of bank of china in Beijing and the contracted customers include visa, master, American express, JCB and Dinners Club. You can use the above credit cards to cash in the branches of bank of China with the corresponding symbols of these cards. You can also use the first four cards to cash in ATM.

3.Power

The voltage used in China is normally 220v, but the washrooms in some hotels have the power of 110v. please make sure of the voltage when you use it. The round and flat plugs can be used. A transformer or an adapter may be required for computer equipment razors, hair dryers, etc



4. Telephone Numbers:

Police: 110

Ambulance: 120

Phone numbers: 114

Fire: 119

Weather forecast: 12121

## Culture and Ecology Overview

### 1. Great Wall

The Great Wall was built on the mountains in the northwest suburb of Beijing with an elevation of over 100 meters. It has a history of over 2000 years. The Great Wall we see today is the result of renovation some 500 years ago. It has been estimated that if all the stones on the Great Wall are used to build a wall of one meter in width and five meters in height, the wall can circle around the equator for one lap. For tourist from other parts of China, there is a popular saying, which was quoted from the poems of former Chairman Mao Zedong: You are not a true man without visiting the Great Wall.

### 2. Temple of Heaven

It is situated in the southeastern part of Beijing. Built in 1420, it was a place where the emperors of the Ming and Qing dynasties worshiped heaven and prayed for good harvest. There are two parts, one inside and one outside. The main buildings are inside where you can choose to visit the Hall of Prayer for Good Harvests, the Echo Wall and the Circular Mound Altar.

The 38-meter-high Hall of Prayer for Good Harvests is the typical building of the Temple of Heaven. Its roof was built with blue glazed tiles, which symbolizes the blue sky.

The Echo Wall is a round wall along which a mere whisper can be heard clearly at the other hand. This phenomenon is an application of the acoustics theory. In front of the steps leading down from the hall is the Triple-Sound Stones. If you stand on the first stone and clap your hands, the sound will be echoed once. On the second stone, the sound will be heard twice. So what about on the third stone? You can find out at the place.

The Circular Mound Altar is a three-terraced stone plot in the open air. The number of the stones used in the paved slabs on its surface, steps and the balustrades are all multiples of 9. There was a legend in China saying that the Heaven had nine floors and the ninth floor was the place where the Heavenly Emperor lived. If you are interested in it, you may count by yourself.

## 3. Palace Museum

Known as the Forbidden City, it was the imperial palace located at the central part of Beijing. The construction of this palace started in 1407 and it took 14 years to complete. Rectangular in shape, it covers an area of 720,000 square meters. It is said in a folk legend that there were 9999.5 rooms in the palace, only a half room fewer than those owned by the Heavenly Emperor. The Forbidden City is the largest and the best-preserved complex extant in the world today and was listed one of the World Heritages by the UNESCO.

Hall of Supreme Harmony ó palace for the emperor to hold ceremonies which marked great occasions, it is the biggest wood structure palace in China. In the middle is the throne a symbol of imperial power.

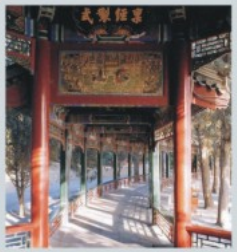
Palace of Heavenly Purity and Earthly Tranquility ó palaces where the Emperor and the Empress lived.

Treasure Halls ó place for treasures

Imperial Garden ó 1.2 square kilometers, more than 20 buildings of different styles and various trees and plants.

## 4. Tian i anmen

The gallant Tian i anmen is located in the center of Beijing. It stands in front of the Palace Museum, and faces the magnificent Tian i anmen Square. In the center of the square stands the Monument of the Heroes Mausoleum. Tian i anmen Square is the largest square in the world. Tian i anmen Square was built in Yongle 15th year of Ming dynasty (A.D 1417). It was originally named Chengtianmen, and was renamed Tian i anmen when it was built in Shunzhi 8th year of Qing dynasty. Tian i anmen was the frontispiece of the imperial city. On October 1, 1949, on the Tower Gate of Tian i anmen. Chairman Mao Zedong solemnly declared the independence of the People' s Republic of China.



## 5. Summer Palace

It used to be the resort and garden of the emperor. It is located in the northwestern suburb of Beijing, 10 miles away from the city proper. It was destroyed by the foreign invaders in 1860 and was rebuilt in 1888. Covering an area of 290 hectares, it has a large number of buildings. It would take you more than three days to visit them all, so it is recommended that you choose spots selectively.

The Tower of Buddha Incensec ó the highest building located at the core of the Summer Palace. 41 meters high, it has countless Buddha figurines on the surface of the building. If you climb to top of the Tower of Buddha Incense, you can get a whole picture of the Summer Palace.

Long Corridor 6278 meters long with 273 sections. It has been recorded in the Guinnesss World Records as the world' s longest corridor. Every horizontal pillar has color paintings, expressing artistically the classic stories and poems popular in China. You can test your knowledge of the Chinese culture by choosing one of the paintings as a topic.

Are Bridge ó 150 meters with seventeen arcs?

Marble Boat ó made of stones with a foreign style of superstructure. West Dam ó built modeling Su Dam of the West Lake in HangZhou.

## 6. Fragrant Hills

The Fragrant Hills Park, about 20 Kilometers northwest of Beijing, is one of the most favorite resorts in the city's outskirts. As the most beautiful sight in autumn Beijing, the park has won its fame all over the world with its maple leaves.

The park has a long history of over 800 years. In 1186, in the Jin Dynasty, the Fragrant Hills Temple was built, and later during the Yuan and Ming dynasties several constructions were added to it. During the reign of Qianlong in the Qing period, it was extended to a larger royal garden and given the beautiful name "Garden of Tranquility and Pleasure". In the 10th year of the Qianlong Era of the Qing Dynasty, Jingyi Garden was set up here which consists of 28 scenic sports and was known as the famous "three hills and five parks" in the suburbs of the city. After nearly half a century's construction, the park has been successfully restored its elegance and beauty. It is now worldwide noted as one of the 10 best parks in Beijing.



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