Codex Committee on Food Additives

Fiftieth Session
Xiamen, China
26 – 30 March, 2018

<u>Information for Participants</u>

1. VENUE

Wanda Realm Xiamen North Bay (厦门北海湾惠龙万达嘉华酒店)

Address: No.210 Jiyuan Road, Jimei District, Xiamen, Fujian Province 361021, P.R. China(福建省厦门市集美 区集源路 210 号)

Tel: +86 (0) 592 612 3333



Annex 1 is a location map of Wanda Realm Xiamen North Bay

2. **REGISTRATION**

The participants of the meeting should provide the relevant information through the online registration system (http://www.codexalimentarius.org/login). The login and password for the online registration have been provided to all Codex Contact Point and Contact Point of Observers Organizations. If the login and password have not been received, please contact: codex@fao.org.

The participants will have to complete the mandatory second part of the registration procedure at the registration desk. The registration desk will be located outside the meeting venue. Participants will be expected to finish this procedure on *Friday 23 March and Saturday 24 March from 08:00 to 16:00 and from 08:00 on Monday 26 March 2018*.

Only conference room documents will be available on spot. Participants should bring their own documentation to the meeting, and the documentation is available in English, French and Spanish on: http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/en/.

3. SCHEDULE OF SESSION

The 50th session of CCFA will be held during 26-30 March, 2018. And the physical working group on the General Standard on Food Additives will be held on Friday, 23 March, and on Saturday, 24 March from 9:00 to 18:00. In order to facilitate the effective participation of all delegates, first-time delegates workshop will be held at Bay Executive Lounge (2nd floor) at Wanda Realm Xiamen North Bay at 18:00 on Sunday, 25 March, 2018.

4. **ACCOMMODATION**

Participants are responsible for making their own hotel accommodation arrangements. The secretariat has made arrangements with hotels with special prices for Codex delegates. When delegates make their reservations by fax or email, they should quote "CCFA 2018" to obtain the special price. The reduced rates will expire on 28 February, 2018.

For more information, please see **Annex 2 and 3**.

5. LUNCH AND DINNER ARRANGEMENTS

Participants are responsible for making their own arrangements for all meals except for the official reception dinner on 26 March 2018, which will be held in Wanda Realm Xiamen North Bay.

Various dining facilities are available inside Wanda Realm Xiamen North Bay, including Café Realm (1st floor), Lobby lounge (1st floor) and Min House Chinese Restaurant (1st floor). In addition, many different restaurants are available around the hotel.

6. GETTING TO THE MEETING VENUE

Xiamen Gaoqi International Airport locates northeast of Xiamen island, and the distance between the airport to Wanda Realm Xiamen North Bay is about 10 kilometers. The average riding is about 15 minutes by taxi. Taxis in China are required by law to operate with meter that provides a receipt. The average price from the airport to the hotel is about 35RMB one way.

7. VISA REQUIREMENTS

Delegates should check with their local Chinese Embassy or Consulate as to

whether they need a visa to enter China. For those delegates that require a visa, visa application forms are available from the following website: http://english.gov.cn.

The delegates from the countries that haven't established diplomatic relationship with China, could acquire the visa from the adjacent country which has established diplomatic relationship with China.

If assistance is needed to facilitate the issuance of a visa, a personal invitation can be provided to support visa applications. For details, please send an email to ccfa@cfsa.net.cn before 28 February, 2018.

8. CURRENCY

The local currency is Chinese Yuan (CNY¥). Currency can be exchanged at the airport, in hotel and in banks. Major credit cards are accepted at hotels and most of shopping centers.

9. WEATHER

The weather in March in Xiamen is typically sunny and cool with light winds. Average temperatures range from 10°C~16°C. Delegates are advised to dress accordingly.

10.LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

Xiamen, also known as "Amoy" and "Egret Island", is one of the five special economic zones in China, administrating 6 districts: Siming, Huli, Jimei, Haicang, Tong'an and Xiang'an. The city is located in the southeast of Fujian Province along the southeastern coast of China and at the mouth of the Jiulong River. Inland, it borders on the Zhangzhou and Quanzhou Plains. It has a land area of over 1,565.09 km² and a sea area of over 300 km². The majority of residents are of the Han nationality but over 20 ethnic minority groups can also be found in the city, including Hui, Man, Zhuang, She, Miao and Gaoshan. There is a multitude of returned overseas Chinese, Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan compatriots and their relatives in Xiamen due to the city's unique environment and historic background. South Fujian Dialect is the language which is predominantly spoken in Xiamen.

Gulangyu



Gulangyu Island is located at the southwest corner of Xiamen, fronting the Xiamen Island across 500-meter-wide Egret River.

Over a hundred years ago preachers and merchants from western countries came and built various buildings on the island. There are now nearly one thousand well-preserved architectures with various styles. The island

raised many famous Chinese musicians and was named The Island of Music by Chinese Musicians Association in 2002. Gulangyu Island was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site on July 8th, 2017, and it is now the 52nd World Heritage Site in China.

Xiamen University

While many Chinese universities aren't particularly attractive, Xiamen University, founded in 1921 by entrepreneur and philanthropist Tan Kah Kee (Chen Jiageng), stands out. The large manicured green campus has a small lake and several ponds and is backed by rolling hills looking out to the sea. Also worth checking out on a visit to the



campus, more than 2,000 m² of student artwork is displayed at the Furong Tunnel.

Jimei School Village



Jimei School Village is a general name for all schools and cultural institutions in Jimei District. It was built by Mr.Tan Kah Kee (Chen Jiageng) in 1913. After decades of development, the village now hosts higher learning institutions as well as secondary specialized schools, middle schools,

primary schools and nursery schools and there are more than 10,000 students in it. In addition to the schools, one may find here auditoriums, swimming pools, stadiums, cinemas, hospitals and navigation clubs. They are rare through out the

country for their large scales and good facilitation. Architecures in this area maintained a unique style, "Jiageng Style", named after the founder.

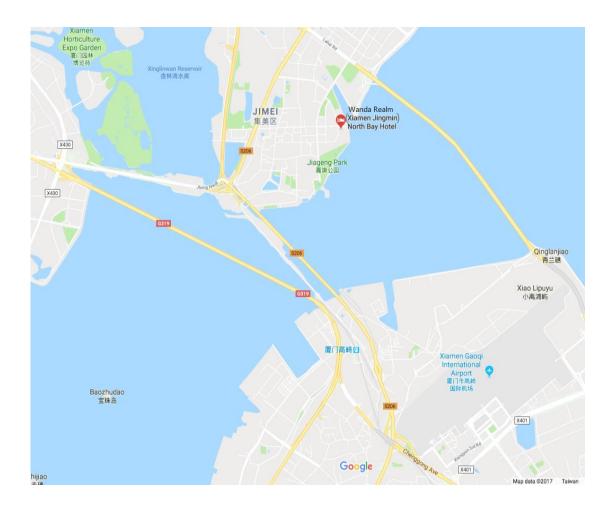
Fujian Tulou

Fujian *Tulou*, another UNESCO World Heritage Site since 2008, is a property of 46 buildings constructed between the 15th and 20th centuries in south-west of Fujian province. Set amongst rice, tea and tobacco fields, the Tulou are earthen houses. Several stories high, they are built along an inward-looking, circular or



square floor plan as housing for up to 800 people each. They were built for defence purposes around a central open courtyard with only one entrance and windows to the outside only above the first floor. They are inscribed as exceptional examples of a building tradition and function exemplifying a particular type of communal living and defensive organization, and, in terms of their harmonious relationship with their environment, an outstanding example of human settlement.

Annex 1



Annex 2

Hotel List

Hotel	Room Type	Daily Room Rates (RMB)	Notes	Access to venue
Wanda Realm Xiamen North Bay Hotel Address: No 210, Jiyuan Road, Jimei District, Xiamen Fujian Province Tel: +86 592 6123333 Fax:+86 592 6061888 E-mail: scm.xiamen@wandahotels.com	Deluxe King with Garden View Room (inclusive 1 breakfast) Grand Deluxe King with Garden View Room(inclusive 1 breakfast) Deluxe King with Bay View Room (inclusive 1 breakfast) Grand Deluxe King with Bay View Room (inclusive 1 breakfast) Deluxe King with Sea View Room (inclusive 1 breakfast) Deluxe King with Sea View Room (inclusive 1 breakfast) Deluxe Hot Spring King Room (inclusive up to 2 breakfasts) Deluxe Suite with Garden View (inclusive 2 breakfasts) Deluxe Suite, with Sea View (inclusive 2 breakfasts)	710 740 780 880 1050 1150 1600	All rates quoted above are inclusive of 15% service charges and 6% government tax per room per night. Please make the reservation by fax or email using the reservation form in Annex 3.	Main Venue
Jiali Business Hotel Address: No 210,Xunjiang Road,jimei District, Xiamen Fujian Province Tel: +86 592 6295999 E-mail: baishou121@163.com	Deluxe King Room (inclusive 2 breakfast) Grand Deluxe King Room (inclusive 2 breakfast)	238	All rates quoted above are inclusive of 15% service charges and 6% government tax per room per night.	10 minutes to main venue by walk
	Deluxe Suite (inclusive 2 breakfasts)	338		