Information note for the Tateno Site Visit

A site tour to the Tateno (Aerological Observatory) will be conducted on Thursday, 8 March 2012, departing from the Hotel Villa Fontaine Otemachi 7:45 and returning to the hotel around 22:30 by the chartered bus. This tour is sponsored by JMA and includes a luncheon hosted by the director of the Tateno site. After luncheon, the bus will travel to NIES (National Institute for Environmental Studies), in the neighborhood of Tateno, to exchange information/discussion with its scientists. On the way from NIES the bus will travel past Mt. Tsukuba, Tsukuba-san shrine, plum-blossom garden, a brewery of Japanese sake and Japanese traditional style restaurant in Tsukuba city to have a dinner. The dinner will be at participants own expense. The expected cost of the dinner is ¥5,000. (http://www.sansuitei.jp/banquet01.php)

All of the participants of ICM-4 are requested to complete appendix “Attendance form” and send it to Mr. Hironobu Yokota no later than Monday, 5 March 2012. Those who do not intend to participate in the tour at all should make this known to Mr. Yokota beforehand but no later than Monday, 5 March. Those who wish to return to the hotel directly after the NIES visit (or after the Mt. Tsukuba visit) should make their intentions known to Mr. Yokota beforehand, but no later than Monday, 5 March. In the case of participants returning early to Tokyo, the travel cost (train; ¥1,280, around one hour) is to be covered personally by those participants.

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Schedule of the Site Visit

Thursday, 8 March, 2012

7:45   Departure the Hotel Villa Fontaine Otemachi
       (Bus chartered by JMA)
       (The bus equips toilet facilities)

9:30   Arrival to Tateno

9:30 - 11:45 Site visit to Tateno

11:45 - 13:15 Luncheon hosted by the director of Tateno

13:15   Move to NIES
       (Bus chartered by JMA)

13:30 - 15:00 Visit to NIES

15:00  Departure the NIES
       (Bus chartered by JMA)
       (via Tsukuba station for few passengers to get off the bus)

15:00 - 18:00 Technical tour around Mt. Tsukuba
       (Tsukuba-san shrine, park of plum-blossom, brewery of
        Japanese sake.)

18:00  Departure the Mt. Tsukuba
       (Bus chartered by JMA)
       (via Tsukuba station for few passengers to get off the bus)

19:00 - 21:00 Dinner at Japanese traditional style restaurant in Tsukuba City
              (pay out of participants' own expense; ¥5,000)

21:00  Departure Tsukuba City
       (Bus chartered by JMA)

22:30  Arrival to the Hotel Villa Fontaine Otemachi
GRUAN-ICM4 SITE VISIT
(Teteno (Tsukuba), Japan, Thursday, 8 March 2012)

ATTENDANCE FORM

Name: ____________________________________________

Attendance to the site visit (Yes/No): ______________________________

Attendance to the dinner in the site visit day at the restaurant in Tsukuba city (Yes/No): ______________________________

(If it will be necessary for you) Wish to get off the bus at (15:00/18:00): ______________________________

To be returned no later than 5 March 2012 to:

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