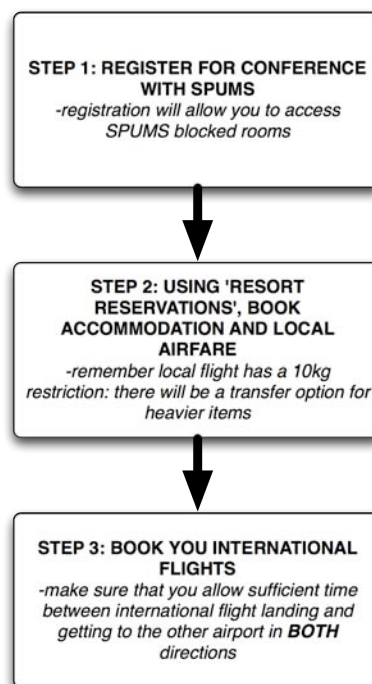


BOOKING INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE COMBINED SPUMS 39TH AND AHDMA 6TH ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING

It is important that you read this document prior to doing your booking. There are several issues that can trap people when going to Redang Island and we have ways of getting around most of them. If you wish to follow your own method of getting to Redang Island then please read the schedule of the conference to make sure that you will arrive at the appropriate time.



STEP 1: BOOK YOUR CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

The conference registration must be booked prior to being able to access the blocked rooms and flight allocations for the conference. The full conference registration includes:

- Welcome cocktail evening (alcohol and light refreshments provided)
- Welcome dinner (alcohol extra cost)
- All conference lectures.
- Gala dinner.

The Gala Dinner is themed ‘**LOUD HAWAIIAN SHIRT**’ and there will be a prize for the loudest shirt.

Accompanying persons cost includes Welcome cocktails and Dinner and Gala Dinner and space permitting they will be welcome to attend the “Great Debate”

Children accompanying registration includes the costs of the Welcoming Dinner, soft-drinks/juices and the Gala Dinner meal. Children are 12y or less. Children older than 12years will have to pay the full Adult accompanying fee (per Resort Restrictions)

DIVING:

Diving is from the resort location and we have 7 boats able to take 12 people each (84 total). The diving is paid for on a per dive basis and we will rotate the dive boats on each location so that there will be a big variety of dives during the conference. There is a \$5.00 Malaysian Ringgit conservation fee for the marine park at Redang (\$2.50 Ringgit for children).

Dive costs are:

| Number of dives | RM | Approx \$AUD (1AUD=3RM) |
|------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| One dive package | RM 102 | \$34.00 |
| Two dive package | RM 190 | \$63.00 |
| Three dive packages | RM 278 | \$92.00 |

So a 10 dive package would cost Approx \$AUD 315.00 with two dives per day

Dive price includes: Air filled tank, weight belts and weights, dive boat and crew and a professional dive guide.

Diving will be set up so that there will be 2 dives per day completing before 1300h so that people can attend the meeting and poster sessions.

STEP 2: BOOK THE ACCOMMODATION AND CONNECTING FLIGHTS TO REDANG ISLAND.

This is important to complete next as there is only one flight per day from Singapore or Kuala Lumpur to Redang Island. Each flight has 72 seats available and because of the length of the airstrip a 10kg per person luggage weight limit is enforced. Outside of this luggage is charged at RM \$15.00 per kg above the free 10kg amount.

Please note: The flights to Redang Island go from the secondary airports at Seletar Airport in Singapore and Subang Airport in Kuala Lumpur so please make sure you have enough time (at least two hours) to transfer between airports. Taxis are relatively cheap in both Singapore and Malaysia and are probably the most reliable transfer option.

We have arrange with Berjaya Resorts that there will be a luggage collection in both Singapore and Kuala Lumpur where excess baggage can be left and will be transported overland and by sea to the resort. This will be free and collection will be on the Sunday

Morning and the luggage should arrive Sunday night. Details of the collection points are pending our satisfaction with security arrangements and you will be advised when they have finalised. The excess baggage will also be transported back to the drop off location for pick up on the Friday the 28th (for pick up on the 29th). Please ensure that you only have a 10kg bag for your flight.

All transport is done under the supervision of Berjaya Resorts and as with all international travel, please ensure that you have adequate travel insurance to cover loss of items such as bags, clothing and electronics. No critical items (such as passports) should be sent via overland travel.

There is a ferry available to Redang Island via Kuala Terengganu. More details of overland trips and the ferry can be obtained from the Redang Island Web site <<http://www.redangisland.com/getting_there.htm>>.

STEP 3: BOOK YOUR INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS.

Once you have confirmed your booking and local flights then you should book your international flights. We have a deal with Jetabroad that allows a 2% discount on their already quite reasonable prices on the actual flight costs (taxes and duties are not discounted). You can book from any location and they will give you a range of options regarding flights (including by your choice of airline or airline group to either maximise or utilise frequent flyer points).

Flights should be made to either Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia) or Singapore. The KL flights land at Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA) and then you have to arrange a transfer to Subang Airport for the flight to Redang Island. We recommend that you overnight in KL and fly out the next morning as the flights are reasonable early in the morning.

Singapore flights land at Changi International Airport and the flights to Redang Island go from Seletar Airport. You will need to arrange transport to Seletar Airport and once again an overnight stay would not be unreasonable. Please note that flights from Singapore to Redang are INTERNATIONAL flights and you will need to clear customs in Singapore and again on Redang Island (which is part of Malaysia).

GENERAL TIPS:

- Taxis are relatively cheap in both Singapore and Kuala Lumpur so getting around by taxi is easy.
- If you are going to stay overnight, ask the hotel if they have airport transfers and utilise them if appropriate
- Temperature and humidity in both Singapore and Kuala Lumpur is high. Dress for humid, hot conditions. Most buildings are well air-conditioned.
- Travel and diving insurance are both **very, very** good ideas so SPUMS advises that all people coming to a SPUMS conference should have Travel and Diving Insurance