The 12th symposium of the ICTMD Study Group on Music and Minorities with a joint day with the ICTMD Study Group on Indigenous Music and Dance Hosted by the Department of Fine Arts, University of Kelaniya 04-09 December 2023

Travel

Several major airline companies fly to Bandaranaike International Airport.

In the arrival space at the airport, many companies offer their transportation services. We suggest Uber or Pick Me as the most convenient and inexpensive way to reach Colombo from the Airport.

Please use the following links to download the Uber and Pick Me apps from your mobile device:

Apple App store	Google Play store
Download Uber App	Download Uber App
Download Pickme App	Download PickMe App

Organization

The symposium starts on 04 December 2023 in the afternoon with registration and an opening ceremony at the University of Kelaniya. Please note that the University of Kelaniya and the symposium venue are far from each other, therefore, an organized bus transfer will be provided that day from the symposium hotel to the University.

Accommodation:

Please book a hotel close to the symposium venue, Sri Lanka Tourism Promotion Bureau – SLTPB, located at 80, Galle Road (and <u>NOT</u> near the University of Kelaniya). Our recommendation is **Hotel Wonder** (the new name is **Hotel Morven**), 213 Galle Rd, Colombo 03, which is a 10-minute walking distance from the symposium venue. The participants received instructions on how to book the rooms. **Please make sure to confirm your accommodation with the hotel by the end of September 2023.**

Some other options:

Comfort@15-Colombo Luxury Hotel (comfortat15.lk)

Hotels in Colombo | Renuka City Hotel, Sri Lanka | Palmyrah Restaurant (renukahotel.com)

Colombo Hotels | Cinnamon Grand Colombo Official Site (cinnamonhotels.com)

Please note that hotel prices in Sri Lanka differ considerably depending on the time of the year and December is considered a high season. It is recommended to arrange your accommodation as early as possible.

Visa:

Please make sure to check whether you need a visa to enter Sri Lanka. Some useful information can be found here:

https://www.immigration.gov.lk/pages e.php?id=14

https://www.eta.gov.lk/slvisa/visainfo/center.jsp?locale=en US

Food

Lunches and refreshments during the conference days will be provided by the Sri Lanka Tourism Promotion Bureau & Sri Lanka Convention Bureau.

Online Participation & Live Streaming

There will be a limited number of **earlier confirmed cases** of online presentations. A Zoom link will be provided to them right before the symposium.

LAC will do its best to enable live streaming.