

To BoD

AAPPS-DPP2027-2028 LOC proposal

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1. LOC proposals

We called for LOC proposal on Feb. 12 and received 4 proposals. They presented their proposals on March 22 and 23. We also discussed among us on 31 March.

- 1) Hilton Garden Inn, Lucknow, India proposed by Punit Kumar
- 2) IIT-Hyderabad, India proposed by Bhuvanesh Ramakrishna
- 3) Empress convention center, Chiang Mai, Thailand proposed by T. Onjun
- 4) Wanda hotels, Harbin, China proposed by XG Wang

	Lucknow	IIT-Hyderabad	Chiang Mai	Harbin
Proposed week	2027.Nov.14-19	2027/28. Nov22-26	2027/28.11	2027/28.09(3 <sup>rd</sup> wk)
Venue charge	27,000 USD	10,000USD	18,000USDx1.07	83,000USD
Conference Kit	2,700USD	tbd	tbd	tbd
2 teas, Lunch	40,000USD	12,000USD	45,000USDx1.07	Lunch not provided
Local transport, etc,	3,000USD	0USD	0USD	0USD
Main hall	650	400seats	550 seats	600 seats
Parallel rooms	???	10 rooms	11 rooms	12 rooms
Poster		tbd	tbd	>200 boards
VISA	CN,PK	CN,PK	Easy	US
Access	Ok	Good	Good	Good

All four proposals are in good shape while some information needs to be clarified.

**Case for India:** We must reduce registration fee to 100-150USD (or less) to have number of Indian participants. VISA for Chinese and Pakistan people are said to be ok but are difficult in reality. Therefore, we have to choose possible cheapest solution for the Indian venue assuming not many Chinese and Pakistan participants.

**Case for China:** There is some concern on US participants to join DPP conference these days. Also not many may not join from India. Harbin venue is expensive but will be ok assuming LOC is powerful enough to bring >500 Chinese participants.

**APPC conference series:** AAPPS is holding APPC every 3 years. APPC16 (APPC2025) will be in Hainan island. Next will be 2028. DPP usually send ~100 participants. Therefore, we have 2 conferences in 2028.

2. Selection of venues for 2027 and 2028

We deeply understand to have DPP conference in India and China in the near future while expected participants are pretty different. Considering this, we propose China(Harbin) and India(IITH) in 2027 and Thailand(Chiang Mai) in 2028. We also have APPC in 2028.

DPP2027-1 : Harbin, China, September 19-24

DPP2027-2 : IIT-H, India, November 21-26

DPP2028 : Chianmai, Thailand, November (details to be negotiated).