# 5 Accommodation and Services

#### **Convention Facilities**

Among the convention facilities located in Fukuoka City are 17 conference rooms which seat 500 or more people. Four of these have a capacity of 1 000 or more. There are four major exhibition halls, of which the largest is the Fukuoka Kokusai Center, capable of holding 10 000 guests and located 15 minutes from the airport.

For more specific information regarding such facilities, consult the *Convention Facilities Guide* published by:

The Fukuoka Convention Bureau 2-9-28 Hakataeki-mae Hakata-ku Fukuoka 812.

### **Meeting and Exhibition Areas**

Name	Purpose	Floor Space	Seating
Fukuoka			
Kokusai Center	Multi	5 052 m <sup>2</sup>	10 000
Hakata Star Lane			
Hall	Exhibition	2 557 m <sup>2</sup>	3 500
Fukuoka Fashion			
Building	Exhibition	$2\ 133\ m^2$	1 200
Fukuoka Sun			
Palace	Conference		2 322
Fukuoka Civic			
Hall	Conference	· <del>-</del> ·	1 780
Mielparque			
Fukuoka	Conference	<del>-</del> "	1 260
Denki Hall			
Conference	Conference	_	1 144

#### **Hotels**

Accommodation is available at the above facilities. Other city hotels include:

Name	Address and Telephone
Hotel New Otani Hakata	1-1-2 Watanabe-Dori Chuo-ku, Fukuoka 810 Tel: (092) 714-1111
Hotel Nikko Fukuoka	2-18 Hakataeki-mae Hakata-ku, Fukuoka 812 Tel: (092) 482-1111

Nishitetsu Grand Hotel	2-6-60 Daimyo, Chuo-ku Fukuoka 810 Tel: (092) 771-7171
Solaria Nishitetsu Hotel	2-2-43 Tenjin, Chuo-ku Fukuoka 810 Tel: (092) 761-1155
Hotel Station Plaza	2-1-1 Hakataeki-mae Hakata-ku, Fukuoka 812 Tel: (092) 431-1211
Central Hotel Fukuoka	4-1-2 Watanabe-dori Chuo-ku, Fukuoka 810 Tel: (092) 712-1212

Fukuoka has 68 hotels, many offering facilities at consistently less than the cost in Tokyo, Osaka, Kyoto or Nagoya.

## Interpretation Services

Outside Tokyo's metropolitan area, English and French are not widely understood. It is in the visitor's best interests to be able to communicate effectively, even though host companies may provide in-house interpretation. Good interpretation skills will avoid time-consuming misunderstandings.

Sometimes, a professional interpreter with experience in business communication can also give an objective assessment of discussions, especially when what was not said is just as important as what was.

The following companies provide interpreting services:

Name	Registered Interpreters	Telephone
Fukuoka Interpreter	S	
Association	. 85	(092) 531-1864
Fukuoka Foreign		
Relations	15	(092) 713-6114
Intercomm	10	(092) 722-2880
Man Power	10	(092) 741-9531

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