

Tenth International Conference on Climate
Change: Impacts & Responses
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University of California at Berkeley
Berkeley, USA

Delegate Pack





Climate Change: Impacts & Responses

Dear Delegate,

Thank you for participating in the Tenth International Conference on Climate Change: Impacts & Responses. We are pleased you will be joining us in Berkeley at University of California at Berkeley.

In preparation for the conference, we have put together some information that we hope will prove useful to you as you begin to prepare for the conference and your arrival in Berkeley. This packet is a starting point for your preparations. We realize you may have some additional questions after reviewing the material here. For any questions that remain please contact the conference secretariat at support@on-climate.com.

We hope your planning goes well, and we look forward to seeing you in Berkeley!

Best wishes,

Patricija Kirvaitis

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VENUE INFORMATION

Venue Address

Clark Kerr Conference Center
University of California at Berkeley
2601 Warring Street
Berkeley, California, 94720
USA

Getting to Venue

Clark Kerr Conference Center, UC Berkeley

The Clark Kerr Conference Center is located south east of the University of California, Berkeley's main campus. The center is conveniently located across the San Francisco Bay from the San Francisco International Airport and within walking distance to both restaurants, museums, and shopping. The Clark Kerr Conference Center is also just a four blocks from the Conference hotel, the Graduate Berkeley, (about 10-15 min walk).

Registration Desk Location

The registration desk will be open during the entire duration of the conference, and will be located in front of the Krutch Theatre.

Plenary and Parallel Session Location and Hours

The conference registration desk, morning sessions, including plenary speakers, garden sessions, and lunches will take place in the Clark Kerr Conference Center.

Session Types

- **Garden Conversation:** Garden Conversations are informal, unstructured sessions that allow delegates a chance to meet plenary speakers and talk with them at length about the issues arising from their presentation. When the venue and weather allow, we try to arrange for a

circle of chairs to be placed outdoors.

- **Talking Circles:** Held on the first day of the conference, Talking Circles offer an early opportunity to meet other delegates with similar interests and concerns. Delegates self-select into groups based on broad thematic areas and then engage in extended discussion about the issues and concerns they feel are of utmost importance to that segment of the community. Questions like “Who are we?”, “What is our common ground?”, “What are the current challenges facing society in this area?”, “What challenges do we face in constructing knowledge and effecting meaningful change in this area?” may guide the conversation. When possible, a second Talking Circle is held on the final day of the conference, for the original group to reconvene and discuss changes in their perspectives and understandings as a result of the conference experience. Reports from the Talking Circles provide a framework for the delegates’ final discussions during the Closing Session.
- **Themed Presentation:** If you have a Paper Presentation in a Themed Session, you have been scheduled into a seventy five or one hundred-minute session with three or four other presenters. In these themed sessions, papers are grouped by similar topics or by different perspectives on a particular issue. This format allows for greater participation and enhanced discussion. In themed sessions, each presenter speaks for twenty minutes. A group discussion of all presented papers follows in the time remaining. To allow adequate time for group discussion, please limit prepared remarks to twenty minutes.
- **Workshop:** Workshop Sessions involve extensive interaction between presenters and participants around an idea or hands-on experience of a practice. These sessions may also take the form of a crafted panel, staged conversation, dialogue, or debate – all involving substantial interaction with the audience.
- **Focused Discussion:** In a Focused Discussion session each presenter is assigned to a specific circle where attendees will have the opportunity to have an in-depth discussion with presenters. On entering the room, you will see tables with 6-8 chairs in each grouping. Each session presentation will be identified with a number in the center of each circle of chairs. Please refer to the program to reference your presentation number. Focused Discussions offer unique opportunities for learning and professional exchange, are excellent venues for giving and receiving targeted feedback, promote engaging in-depth discussions, and facilitate meeting colleagues with similar interests.

- **Virtual Lightning Talk:** Virtual Lightning talks are 5-minute videos presented on our Research Network YouTube channel. Virtual talks are presented as a group, at designated times throughout the conference, and are typically displayed at stations near the conference registration desk. We highly encourage virtual presenters to include contact details (e.g. email address) at the beginning and end of the presentation, or to use a QR code to direct people to more detailed information.
- **Virtual Poster:** Virtual Posters are submitted as PDF's and are presented as a part of the in-person poster session or during a parallel session. Virtual Posters are presented as a group and are generally presented as a looped presentation. Audio components to your presentation are not supported in the virtual poster sessions. Additionally, we highly encourage virtual presenters to include contact details (e.g. email address) on their Virtual Posters, or to use a QR code to direct people to more detailed information.

Equipment

Data projectors will be provided in all session rooms. Please bring your personal computer if you have prepared a presentation. If you are a Mac user, please be sure to bring the correct Mac VGA adapter. Also please note that the University does not provide overhead projectors for transparencies in their class rooms.

Program

The schedule of sessions can be found at: <http://on-climate.com/2018-conference/program>. Please be sure to check this link often leading up to the conference date as our time is actively scheduling this conference and presentation may be shifted around during the final scheduling process. In addition to this, you will receive a program booklet at the conference containing the final schedule for the plenary and parallel sessions.

Internet Access

Wireless Internet access is available to conference delegates throughout the conference venue, details of this will be provided at the conference desk upon check in.

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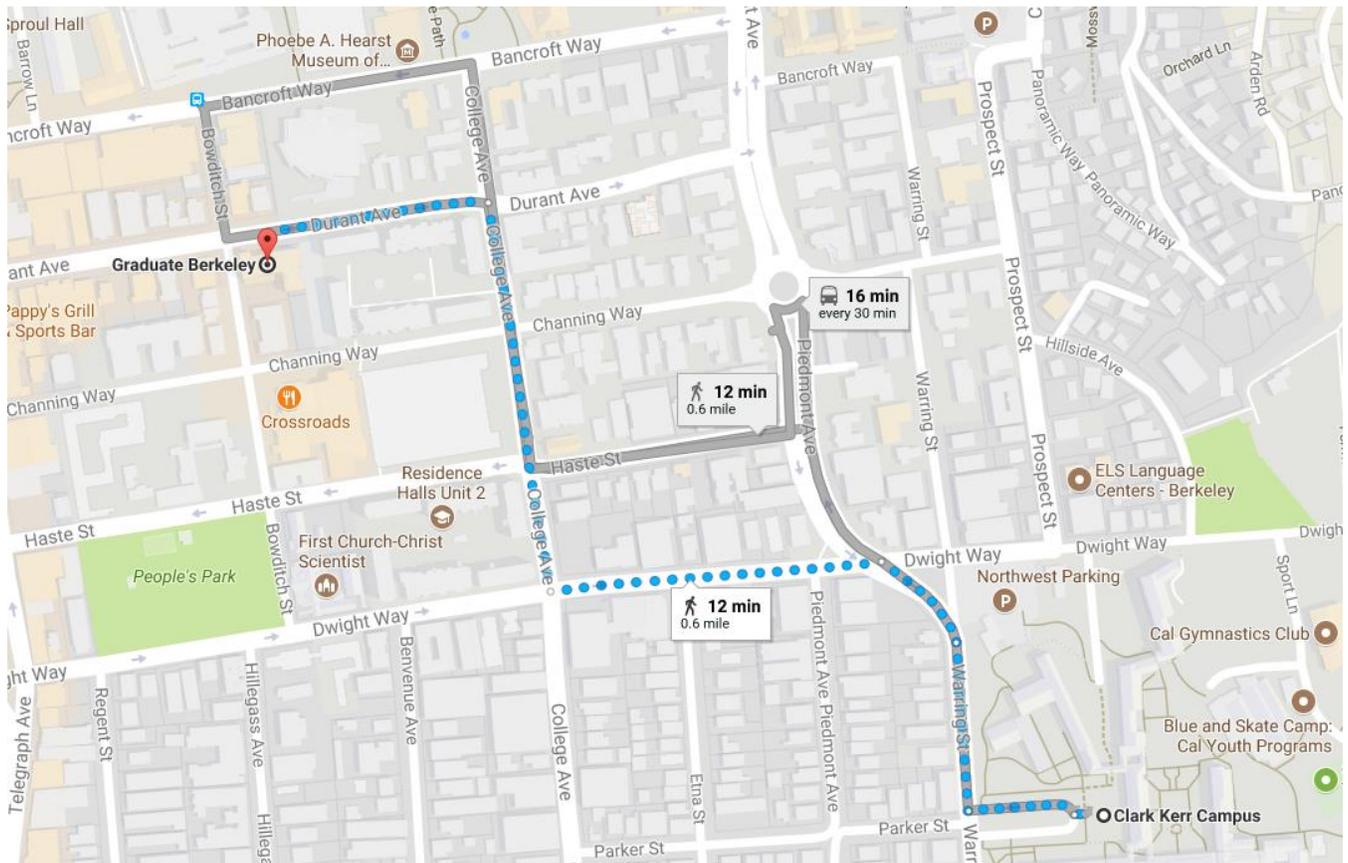
Arrival in Berkeley

Conference Hotel Address

Graduate Berkeley
2600 Durant Avenue
Berkeley, California 94704
USA

Directions from Conference Hotel to Clark Kerr Conference Center

The Graduate Berkeley is just a .6-mile walk from the conference venue and should take no more than 15-20 minutes. Please see the below map or [click here](#) for the interactive Google map.



Arriving by Air

The two major airports for the Berkeley area are San Francisco International Airport and Oakland International Airport, just 25 miles and 15 miles, respectively, from the Graduate Berkeley, on the other side of the San Francisco Bay.

San Francisco International Airport (SFO)

San Francisco International Airport is about 25 miles from the conference hotel. For more information about the airport and services such as; airline information, rental car companies, and maps of the airport, please visit:

<http://www.flysfo.com/>

Oakland International Airport (OAK)

Another option for those travelling to Berkeley by air is the Oakland International Airport, about 15 miles from the Graduate Berkeley,

More information about the airport and services, such as airline information, rental car companies, and maps of the airport, can be found:

<http://www.oaklandairport.com/>

Directions from San Francisco International Airport to Conference Hotel

To arrive at the Hotel Durant, we recommend all delegates use one of the following modes of transportation:

- BART Rapid Rail - The local subway system runs from SFO to downtown Berkeley. Prices vary by day and time but exact fares can be found [here](#) and should exceed no more than US\$10. The SFO BART station is located on the Departures/Ticketing Level of the International Terminal (Boarding Area G side). BART is easily accessed from any terminal by riding SFO's AirTrain to the Garage G/BART Station stop. There is no charge to board AirTrain.
- Shuttle Transportation – The San Francisco area has various shuttle transportation companies available that can provide service via scheduled direct rides or shared rides to a

destination. These companies should be contacted prior to arrival to confirm pricing, and information can be found [here](#).

- Taxis - Taxis can be found in all terminals near Arrivals/Baggage Claim and are available 24 hours a day. Please note that fares for taxis from the SFO airport can range from \$75-\$90 depending on traffic.
- Rental Cars - Airport rental car information can be found [here](#). There are a variety of options in SFO. Driving directions can be found [here](#). For more information about transportation upon arrival please contact your hotel.

ACTIVITIES AND EXTRAS

Conference Closing Reception

Common Ground Research Networks and the Climate Change Conference will be hosting a closing reception at the conference venue, the University of California at Berkeley, just after the last session of the last day. All delegates are welcome to attend and enjoy complimentary light refreshments. This is an excellent opportunity to connect with and get to know your fellow international delegates.

Date: Saturday, 21 April

Time: Directly following the last session of the day

Price: This is a complimentary event

Conference Dinner – Revival Bar + Kitchen

Revival Bar + Kitchen serves a menu designed to satisfy, replenish, and inspire. The cuisine holds up against the competitive Berkeley standard and is a great place to get locally sourced seasonal plates, set in a cozy atmosphere.

Delegates are welcome to choose a beef, fish, or vegetarian option.

Date: Friday, 20 April

Time: 19:00 (7:00 PM)

Price: US\$60.00

GENERAL TRAVEL TIPS

- ***Get to know the city you are going to visit before you leave home.*** Many resources are available on the Internet nowadays to help navigate the different sights and cultures abroad, and help you to more easily find your way around. Remember, the conference organizers are visitors to this beautiful city too, and although we do our best to assist our conference delegates, we may not be best qualified to offer directional or tourism information. For this, we encourage delegates to engage the many and helpful resources of a hotel's concierge desk or reference trusted travel sites and guidebooks such as www.Frommers.com, www.Fodors.com or www.TripAdvisor.com.
- ***Know where you're going and how to get there.*** Differences in languages can sometimes make getting around a foreign city more challenging even for the savvy traveler. It's helpful to have the addresses for both your hotel and the conference venue handy. Showing a taxi driver or ticket operator a written address is a helpful way to get you to your destination within the city when you arrive. If during your trip you will be on a schedule and need to get to places by a certain time (ie. conference check-in, presentation times, tours, dinner reservations, etc...), it's recommended that you explore and "test drive" the route you'll be taking ahead of time so that you're aware of the time it will take to get there. Taking this step also helps you know exactly where you'll be heading without the worry of getting lost. Maps, along with utilization of your hotel's concierge desk, and a little research of the local transportation systems ahead of time will also make your trip more enjoyable and run more smoothly.
- ***Familiarize yourself with the transportation options available in your destination city. Knowing the best way to get around any city is key.*** For instance, in many larger cities, public transportation is the preferred and often times the most economical and quickest means of transportation. These robust public transportation systems means there are often metros, subways, busses, trollies and trains available to get you from one point to another seamlessly throughout a city, many times more economically and quicker than taxi or car hires.
- ***Use only certified and registered public transportation when abroad.*** If using taxis, avoid using taxis that are unmarked and have no identifying company emblems. It's always a good

idea to call and order a taxi from a central dispatch office to ensure safe, professional service and pricing. If you need to hail a taxi on the street, be sure to look for a familiar taxi emblem from one of the major taxi companies in town and negotiate the fare before getting into the taxi to ensure a fair and agreed upon price.

- ***Make hotel reservations before you arrive at your destination***. To ensure the availability of accommodations, make sure to confirm a reservation at the conference hotel or hotel of your choosing before leaving home. Often times, and also depending on the time of year and what events are going on in your destination city, hotels fill up well ahead of the conference date, and accommodations can be very difficult to secure upon arrival. Reserving accommodations well ahead of your arrival (2-4 months prior to trip is recommended) can avoid much stress and often times can result in more economical rates versus last-minute accommodations.
- ***Exchange money before you leave home***. Whether you plan on exchanging the majority of your currency when you arrive at your destination or anticipate paying mostly with credit cards, it's always a good idea to exchange a small amount of money before you leave home to have on-hand in case you can't find an exchange desk/shop right away upon arrival. Be sure to carry at least enough for transportation to your hotel and a meal or two. When exchanging money abroad, be aware of service charges noted in small print and shop around for the best exchange rates.
- ***Be aware of the currency differences and familiarize yourself with the currency for the country you will be traveling to***. Having a working knowledge of the various denominations ahead of time will help you avoid common tourist pitfalls such as short-changing and over-charging.
- ***Place a travel advisory on your credit and debit card accounts***. Because of all the security measures banks and credit card companies have in place today, many companies will freeze a credit or debit card account if they see unfamiliar or foreign charges come through. To avoid this inconvenience, call your bank or credit card company before you leave home and ask to place a "travel advisory" on the card(s). Provide your institution with the dates of travel and countries you will be visiting to avoid having your card service interrupted while abroad.

- ***Travel with a back-up credit card or travelers cheques for emergencies.*** When traveling abroad, it's always smart to have more than one form of payment available in case your main form of payment is accidentally lost or not immediately available to you.
- ***Bring country/region appropriate power adapters and voltage converters for personal electronic devices and appliances.*** Standard electrical outlets and voltage amounts vary from country to country. Prior to leaving home, confirm the correct adapter type and voltage for the region and country you'll be visiting so that you'll be able to easily connect and use laptops, e-readers, cell phone chargers, electric shavers and hair dryers during your trip. Foreign adapters and converters can be purchased at most electronic stores and airport newsstands. Note that more powerful appliances, such as hair dryers, also require voltage converters to function properly overseas. Be sure to research and confirm what each of your devices will need in order to function safely and properly.
- ***Consider purchasing travel insurance.*** The savvy traveler is always prepared for the unforeseen and occasional emergency situation. Travel insurance is a smart way to make sure you're covered in case a medical emergency arises. Contact your insurance provider to see if they have travel policies that cover you overseas. Some credit card companies also offer travel insurance that cover travelers in case they experience medical or dental emergencies while abroad.
- ***Bring any personal items and medications you will need during your time abroad.*** Although pharmacies and grocery stores are easily found in many major cities, be sure to bring personal items and necessary medications with you especially if you require a specific brand or prescription that can't easily be found or filled abroad.
- ***Familiarize yourself with your cell phone carrier's roaming and international rates/charges prior to leaving home.*** Often times, using personal cell phones abroad can be very costly depending on your carrier's roaming and international rates. Some companies have temporary international plans that can be purchased during your time abroad. Contact your cell phone carrier prior to your trip to inquire about the options available to you