

# **The 32nd Population Census Conference**

## **“New Data Sources and Technologies for the Next Round Censuses”**

Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, August 20-22, 2024

Hosted by the Association of National Census and Statistics Directors of America and the Pacific (ANCSDAAP)  
in cooperation with the National Statistics Office of Mongolia (NSO Mongolia)

### **<Information for Conference Participation>**

We look forward to your attendance at the 32nd Population Census Conference, which will be held August 20-22, 2024 (Tuesday–Thursday) in **Novotel Ulaanbaatar hotel** (Новотел Улаанбаатар зочид буудал), Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia.

Participation in the conference is by invitation only. In most cases, invitations are sent to census/statistics offices and relevant organizations, who then inform ANCSDAAP who will represent their office.

Participants are advised to read all of the items in this document carefully in order to facilitate the arrangements for your participation in the conference.

## **1. Conference-related Information**

### **◆ Introduction**

The conference is organized by ANCSDAAP in collaboration with the National Statistics Office of Mongolia. The theme of the conference is “New Data Sources and Technologies for the Next Round Censuses”. Although this is the general theme, there will be room for papers and presentations on other census-related topics of interest that do not fit directly into the general theme. The conference is expected to foster communication and collaboration regarding new technologies for census and statistical information on the world’s populations and their characteristics.

### **◆ Advance Registration**

To facilitate arrangements for the conference, participants are requested to register in advance by visiting the ANCSDAAP website (<http://ancsdaap.org/>) **no later than June 14, 2024.**

### **◆ Papers and Presentations**

Census and statistics offices and other invited agencies may send more than one participant to the conference. Due to limited space on the conference agenda, however, there can be only one presentation per census/statistics office or other agency. The host country, Mongolia, is an exception and will make more than one presentation.

#### *(Presentation title submission)*

To set the conference agenda, participants are requested to inform the secretariat of ANCSDAAP and the Conference Coordinators of the title of their presentation via the Online Conference Registration Form, which will be described shortly. It is advised to send the abstract of the paper (1-2 pages) to the secretariat no later than June 14, 2024 so that the conference agenda can be drawn up.

*(Full Paper/Presentation submission)*

Presenters may use PowerPoint or Adobe Acrobat full screen for their presentations. Papers in MS Word and/or presentations in PowerPoint or Adobe Acrobat should be sent by e-mail to the Secretariat of ANCSDAAP ([secretariat@ancsdaap.org](mailto:secretariat@ancsdaap.org)) no later than August 2, 2024.

◆ **Contact Information**

For information regarding the conference agenda, participants may contact the Secretariat of ANCSDAAP:

**\*Secretariat of ANCSDAAP**

E-mail: [secretariat@ancsdaap.org](mailto:secretariat@ancsdaap.org), [popstat2019@gmail.com](mailto:popstat2019@gmail.com)

Phone: (82 70) 4466 8030, (82 70) 4466 9088

For information on local logistical arrangements in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, and/or if you are in need of a conference invitation letter to fulfill Mongolian visa requirements, please contact Ms. B.Tsevelmaa and Ms. B.Enkhjin, the conference coordinators at NSO Mongolia:

**\*Conference Coordinators at NSO Mongolia**

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◆ **Venue and Opening Session**

The 32<sup>nd</sup> Population Census Conference will be held at Novotel Ulaanbaatar Hotel, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia:



**Novotel Ulaanbaatar Hotel**

Baga toiruu 6<sup>th</sup> khoroo, Sukhbaatar District

Sukhbaatar, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

Phone: (976) 7010 1188

Email: [hb1d8-sl@accor.com](mailto:hb1d8-sl@accor.com)

Website: [all.accor.com/hotel/B1D8/index.en.shtml](http://all.accor.com/hotel/B1D8/index.en.shtml)

Click the link to see [MAP](#)

After arriving at the conference venue, participants are asked to visit the registration counter, which will be located on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the venue between 08:30 and 9:00 AM on August 20, 2024 to pick up their conference materials and name badge.

The opening session will be convened at **9:00 AM on Tuesday, August 20, 2024**. All conference sessions will be held in the Novotel Ulaanbaatar.

◆ **Official Language of the Event**

The working language of the conference will be English and all documentation will be in English. No translation/interpretation services will be provided.

◆ **Registration Fee**

Each participant must pay a registration fee of **USD 130**. We request that the registration fee be paid in advance by credit card on the ANCSDAAP website. If you are not able to pay by PayPal or with your credit card, please contact the secretariat of ANCSDAAP to make other arrangements for advance payment (e.g., wire transfer or international money order).

Payment at the conference venue at the time of the conference is discouraged. The registration fee will be **USD 150** if payment is made at the conference venue. Such payments must be in cash in the exact amount in US dollars. It will be administratively unfeasible to accept any other currency.

◆ **Allowances**

Three lunches and two dinners will be provided by the host organization and the welcoming dinner on the first day of the event will be provided by ANCSDAAP. However, as indicated in the invitation letter, **each participant should cover their own travel expenses incurred for attending the conference.**

## 2. Travel and Accommodation Arrangements

### ◆ **Visa Requirements**

Participants should check with the Mongolian embassy or consulate in their country regarding visa requirements. If necessary, please obtain the appropriate entry visas in advance. To apply for the appropriate entry visa to Mongolia, participants are required to contact the respective Mongolian diplomatic missions or consulates for accurate information regarding visa application procedures and required documents (<https://en.consul.mn/news/c/28>).

The holders of United Nations Laissez-Passer (UNLP) and officials from UN Specialized Agencies travelling to Mongolia for the purposes of business and residency are exempted from visa requirements (up to 30 days).

**All participants from overseas who need to obtain Mongolian entry visas are advised to send the request and a copy of your passport to Cooperation and Methodology Division of the National Statistics Office of Mongolia at [international@nso.mn](mailto:international@nso.mn) to help facilitate the timely processing of your visa permission letter.**

Participants who need to stop over in other countries should also obtain the appropriate transit visas (<https://immigration.gov.mn/en/k6-visa-permit/>). Please obtain visas well in advance of the conference. If you have questions regarding entry to Mongolia, please contact ([international@nso.mn](mailto:international@nso.mn)).

**Please find the information on Mongolian entry visas for your reference from the following link (<https://en.consul.mn/visa>, <https://immigration.gov.mn/en/vizijn-zvshrl/>)**

**\*ON ARRIVAL VISA:** Apply for a visa on arrival at Chinggis Khaan International Airport, following these requirements:

- The applicant must possess a passport with validity of at least six months and must be in possession of a valid return ticket with a date of departure within 15 days of the date of entry.
- The applicant must fill out an application form (<https://en.consul.mn/visa/c/82> -Temporary visitor for up to 90 days), supply one recent passport-sized (3.5\*4.5cm) photograph and the fee.
- **The on-arrival visa** fee must be paid in cash and it may be waived depending on the countries applicants come from.

**\*\*Important notice: To avoid longer processing times, travelers are advised to complete the application form prior to their arrival in Mongolia. Visa fee shall be paid on arrival.**

◆ **Transportation and Hotel Arrangements**

Conference participants should make their own arrangements for travel to and from Ulaanbaatar. Participants are expected to arrive on Monday, August 19, 2024 and depart on Friday, August 23, 2024.

**(1) Airport transfers:**

NSO Mongolia will arrange car/group transport (bus) from Chinggis Khaan International Airport (IATA: ULN) to the meeting venue. All participants are advised to send a copy of their **e-ticket** to the Cooperation and Methodology Division of the National Statistics Office of Mongolia at [enkhjin@nso.mn](mailto:enkhjin@nso.mn); [tsevelmaa\\_ba@nso.mn](mailto:tsevelmaa_ba@nso.mn) to arrange the pick-up service at Chinggis Khaan International Airport.

**(2) Public Transportation Access:**

Most attractions in the city are located close to Peace Avenue, which is the city’s main horizontal avenue. Taking a bus from one end to another will take you close to most of these sites. Buses are regular and have a fixed charge of MNT 500 per ride. You will need a Bus Card, which you can purchase near the bus stops from stores and kiosks with the sign “U money”. The **UB Smart Bus** app is available on both the Android and iOS platforms.

For taxis, carry small amounts of Mongolian money (MNT 500, MNT 1000, MNT 1500, MNT 5000, MNT 10000 etc.) and show them exactly what you are willing to pay before you get in. **Please note that you should never hail a cab on the street**, and as few taxi drivers speak English, it’s best to have the name and destination written in Mongolian to the driver. If you want to get a with one of the budget-friendly drivers, a recent tech startup called UBCab is used by local drivers to find customers. They offer support in English, and their app is available on both the Android and iOS platforms.

**(3) Conference Hotel Lodging:**

A special rate has been established for the 32nd Population Census Conference participants at the hotels in the following table (rates as of December 2023):

The following hotels, located relatively close to Meeting Venue, have been designated as recommended hotels for which the room rates indicated in the table below are inclusive of service charges and value added tax, but breakfast is not included. **Please contact the NSO Mongolia in order to book with the following prices at least 20 working days before the conference** with the participant’s full name, date, time of check-in and check-out, flight numbers, and contact details.

No	Accommodation Options	Walking distance to venue	Room type	Daily room rates (breakfast is <u>not</u> included)	
				Single/Double For 1 person	Double/Twin for 2 persons
1	<b>Novotel Hotel Ulaanbaatar</b> <b>(Новотел Улаанбаатар зочид буудал)</b> Address: Baga toiruu, 6th khoroo, Sukhbaatar District, 976 Ulaanbaatar ☎ +976 70101188 E-mail: hb1d8-re@accor.com Contact person: Ms.G.Delgermurun Sales Manager (Tel. +976 70101188)	<b><u>Venue</u></b>	Deluxe	USD 112.5	USD 143

No	Accommodation Options	Walking distance to venue	Room type	Daily room rates (breakfast is <u>not</u> included)	
				Single/Double For 1 person	Double/Twin for 2 persons
2	<b>Blue Sky Hotel &amp; Tower</b> <b>(Блю Скай Зочид буудал)</b> Peace Avenue 17, Sukhbaatar district, 1 <sup>st</sup> khoroo, Ulaanbaatar 14240 ☎ +976 70100505 E-mail: info@hotelbluesky.mn Website: <a href="http://www.hotelbluesky.mn">http://www.hotelbluesky.mn</a> Contact person: Ms. Uyangaa	15-20 min (1.3 km)	Deluxe	Non refundable USD 120  Free cancellation USD 155	Non refundable USD 145  Free cancellation USD 165
3	<b>Shangrila Hotel Ulaanbaatar</b> <b>(Шангрила Улаанбаатар зочид буудал)</b> 19 Olympic Street, Sukhbaatar district 1, Ulaanbaatar 14241 ☎ +976 77029999 E-mail: reservations.slub@shangri-la.com Website: <a href="https://www.shangri-la.com/ulaanbaatar/shangrila/">https://www.shangri-la.com/ulaanbaatar/shangrila/</a> Contact person: contact directly using the email address listed above	20-26 min (1.9 km)	Deluxe	USD 326	USD 361
4	<b>Ulaanbaatar Hotel</b> <b>(Улаанбаатар зочид буудал)</b> B.Altangerel's street-7, Ulaanbaatar ☎ +976 11320620, 70116688 E-mail: reservations@ubhotel.mn Website: <a href="http://www.ubhotel.mn">http://www.ubhotel.mn</a> Contact person: Ms. Ts. Batchimeg (Tel. +976 99136176)	21 min (1.5 km)	Standard	USD 72	USD 95
5	<b>Best Western Premier Tuushin Hotel</b> <b>(Туушин зочид буудал)</b> Prime Minister Amar Str 15, Ulaanbaatar ☎ +976 70009915 E-mail: sm@bestwesternmongolia.mn Website: <a href="http://bestwesternmongolia.mn">http://bestwesternmongolia.mn</a> Contact person: Mr. MUNKHBAT Enkhbat (Tel. +976 95096012)	16 min (1.1 km)	Deluxe	USD 125 +11% tax	USD 140 +11% tax
6	<b>Khuvsgul Lake Hotel</b> <b>(Хөвсгөл нуур зочид буудал)</b> Baga Toirog, Ulaanbaatar, Ulaanbaatar ☎ +976 76078888 E-mail: reservation@huvsgullakehotel.mn Website: <a href="http://www.khuvsgullakehotel.mn/">http://www.khuvsgullakehotel.mn/</a> Contact person: Mr. Ankhbayar (Tel. +976 99021654)	20 min (1.4 km)	Standard	USD 87	USD 105
7	<b>Springs Hotel</b> Sukhbaatar district, Olympic street – 2A, Ulaanbaatar ☎ +976 70119191 Website: <a href="https://springs-hotel-ulaanbaatar-mongolia">https://springs-hotel-ulaanbaatar-mongolia</a> Contact person: Ms. Enkhtuul Lkhagvajav (Tel. +976 320738, 99985887)	23 min (1.6 km)	Standard	USD 85	USD 102
8	<b>Hotel Nine (Зочид буудал 9)</b> Prime Minister A.Amar Street, Ulaanbaatar ☎ +976 11330330 E-mail: reservation@hotelnine.mn Website: <a href="http://hotelnine.mn/">http://hotelnine.mn/</a> Contact person: Ms. Battuya	10-15 min (1.3 km)	Standard	USD 60	USD 80

(Note 1) The rates provided in the table are as of December 2023 and subject to change without notice. Final room rates for August 2024 will be updated in the early-2024, and will be notified to all participants by email and posting on ANCSDAAP website later. August is pick season of Ulaanbaatar, therefore it would be suitable to book as earlier as possible, and please confirm the room rate and/or any inquiries regarding the conference hotel reservation with NSO Mongolia at [international@nso.mn](mailto:international@nso.mn).

(Note 2) Rooms are available to participants on a first-come, first-served basis. Any cancellations, postponements, or other changes should be announced to the NSO Mongolia at least 48 hours in advance. Rooms not occupied in accordance with the latest advice will be held for 24 hours at the participant's expense and then released.

### 3. Local Information

#### ◆ Mongolia

A landlocked country in Central Asia with 1.56 million square kilometer area and the most sparsely populated sovereign country in the world with almost 3.3 million people. Mongolia has very little arable land, much of the area is covered by grassy steppe, with mountains to the north and west and the Gobi Desert to the south.

#### ◆ Ulaanbaatar

Ulaanbaatar, the capital and largest city, is home to about 45% of the population of Mongolia and located in the northern part of the country, high above sea level, Ulaanbaatar is the coldest capital city in the world. The cultural and business center of Mongolia, and a hub connecting the Trans-Siberian Railway with the Chinese rail system, Ulaanbaatar has become a thriving urban center in one of the most remote locations in the world.

For more information on tourist in Mongolia, please click [here](#).

#### ◆ Bring Own Electronic Device and Internet Services

You can view the presentation materials using you own electronic device such as mobile phone, tablet PC, etc. through the online website at the conference venue. Free Wi-Fi will be provided in the conference venue. Complimentary Wi-Fi will also be provided in all guest and conference meeting rooms.

#### ◆ Local Time & Useful Numbers

(1) Current local time in Ulaanbaatar, Time Zone Asia/Ulaanbaatar (UTC+8).

(2) Useful numbers



Ambulance: 103

Police: 102

Fire service: 101

**Please note that you should never hail a cab on the street!**

Instead, call the following number to order one:

1950 call center: +976-19001950

◆ Traveler's Insurance

Each participant is encouraged to buy international traveler's insurance covering the entire duration of their stay in Ulaanbaatar. The host and secretariat will not be responsible for personal accidents or damage to the private property of participants. It is highly advisable for participants to make their own arrangements with respect to personal insurance in advance of attending the conference.

◆ Weather and Dress Code

The weather in Ulaanbaatar is usually warm and mostly raining in the autumn. The average temperature in Ulaanbaatar in August is mild at 22.3 °C (72.1 °F). Afternoons can be warm with average high temperatures reaching 21.6 °C (70.9 °F). Overnight temperatures are generally a little cool with an average low of 8.3 °C (46.9 °F).

The dress code for the conference will be business casual or national attire.

◆ Voltage

The electric power in Mongolia is 220V running at 50Hz plug types used are either type C or type E. See the link for the detailed information: <https://www.iec.ch/world-plugs>

*(Home / Where we make a difference / Fundamentals / World plugs)*

◆ Local Currency and Exchange Rates

Participants are advised to exchange home-country currency to the Mongolian Tugrik (MNT) either within their own country or at the money exchange facilities at an international airport.

You must declare to customs when carrying cash in a value equivalent to MNT 15 million or more its equivalent into or out of the Mongolia of foreign currency to a Customs Official. Failure to make such a declaration or making any false declaration to a Customs Official is a criminal offence.

Currency exchange facilities are available at hotels and all over Ulaanbaatar. Bank opens from 09:00 to 18:00 hours, with no lunch break, from Monday to Friday.

**Please note that you should not exchange money on the street!**