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2024-03 Tokyo meeting information

The 2024 winter/spring meeting of the WG21 C++ standards committee is being hosted by <u>Woven by Toyota</u> on **March 18-23, 2024**, online via Zoom and in person at the Woven by Toyota office, <u>3-2-1 Nihonbashimuromachi, Chuo City, Tokyo 103-0022</u>.

We will also be hosting a 2-day C++ conference Monday–Tuesday on the week after the meeting, **March 25–26, 2024**, and are inviting you to attend and consider giving a talk. The conference website is <u>cppto.jp</u>.



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Participation

In-person

For in-person participation, please register with ISO. The organizers need your name to be able to provide badges to attendants, and plan for adequate snacks and drinks.

Virtual

Zoom participation information and updates will be provided before the meeting via the <u>"meeting" email list</u> and on the <u>Tokyo 2024 meeting wiki</u>. Please also register your virtual attendance with ISO. <u>Participation information is available from the ISO C++ website</u>.

Travel, transportation, and accommodations

There are two large international airports in the Tokyo area: Narita and Haneda. Both will get you to Tokyo comfortably. <u>Read more about Narita and Haneda</u>.

Tokyo has amazing public transit. Do not get a car (especially if you drink; the law is zero-tolerance, just one glass is unacceptable). The Woven by Toyota office is on the Ginza line, station G12 Mitsukoshimae. There are many other subway stations within walking distance.

If you want to travel in Japan before or after your trip, we recommend taking the <u>Shinkansen</u> train (unless you want to fly to another island). If you want to travel in Tokyo, we recommend using public transit or the amazing taxi services. You can pay for public transit using either Suica or PASMO cards, which you can install on your smartphone in advance or purchase a physical card at many stations. Within Tokyo, these cards can be used interchangeably; however, the Suica card, which is offered by Japan Rail East, can be used on the light rail trains that provide access to the suburbs. <u>Read more about Suica / PASMO from Japan Living Guide</u>. <u>Read more about transportation in Japan</u>.

The office is in a downtown Tokyo (Tokyo has many "towns") and <u>there are many hotels</u> <u>around Nihonbashi</u>, with a wide variety of styles and prices. Some are across the street, some are a few subway stations away. There is no negotiated "room block" with any hotels.



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We recommend you avoid "brand name" hotels and try a local Japanese hotel; they are less expensive and quite nice. You might even consider getting a hotel that has an <u>onsen</u>.

Meals and refreshments

We will be offering snacks and drinks during morning and afternoon breaks, but do not plan to offer breakfast, lunch, nor dinner. The office is surrounded by <u>many restaurants in</u> <u>Nihonbashi</u>.

Attractions

The dates we selected are likely to be near or during * cherry blossom season *. This is a beautiful time of the year in Japan, with many activities. The weather is nice, though there is sometimes rain.

<u>There are many attractions in Tokyo and Japan</u>. For example, the March Sumo Tournament will be held in Osaka, 2024 March 10–24.

Miscellaneous

We have <u>created a PDF that outlines what people think about when relocating to Japan</u>. It offers interesting information for those of you who have not been to Japan yet.

Japan uses the Yen as its currency. Many websites suggest bringing cash, but credit cards work in most of Tokyo. The organizers rarely use cash.

Japan's official language is Japanese, with 3 writing systems that are used concurrently: hiragana, katakana, kanji. That said, modern Japan has much signage in rōmaji (the Roman/Latin alphabet), which you will be able to read. Most Japanese in Tokyo service industries speak English. You will be fine.

Most visitors <u>will not need a visa for a short-term stay</u>. Please confirm requirements with your national body.

