# Venue & Location

2024

# Hong Kong: Satellite Event of the FO Conference

Hong Kong is home to MGI's αLab, a laboratory that integrates AI Research & Development (R & D), application transformation R & D, and an incubation platform, efficiently empowering the development of the life sciences industry.

MGI αLab Location: Units 708-709, 7/F, Building 6W, Hong Kong Science Park, Pak Shek Kok, New Territories, HK.



#### Hong Kong International (HKG) Airport

Location: Chek Lap Kok, 30km northwest of HK Island

A helpful passenger guide can be found here.

## **Recommended Hotels in Hong Kong**

Below is a list of our hand-picked selection of hotels in Hong Kong, which are known for location, excellent facilities and transport links which will make travel as easy as possible.

• Option 1: Hyatt Regency Hong Kong Sha Tin

Address: 18 Chak Cheung Street, New Territories, Sha Tin (Near underground station, 10 minutes to HKSTP by taxi)

#### **Booking Link**

• Option 2: Courtyard Hong Kong Sha Tin

Address: On Ping Street, Shatin New Territories, Hong Kong, China (Near underground station, 15 minutes to HKSTP by taxi)

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### Transport from HKG International Airport to Hotels

Option 1: 40 minutes by taxi

**Option 2:** Take the Airport Express to Tsing Yi Station, transfer to the Tung Chung Line to Nam Cheong Station, then transfer to the Tuen Ma Line to Hung Hom Station, and finally transfer to the East Rail Line to University Station. The hotel is a 5-minute walk from there.

#### From hotels to conference venue

Hyatt Regency Hong Kong Sha Tin: 10 minutes to HKSTP by taxi

Courtyard Hong Kong Sha Tin: 15 minutes to HKSTP by taxi

## Payment Methods in Hong Kong

**1. Cash:** Hong Kong Dollars (HKD) are used as the official currency in Hong Kong. You can exchange currency at the airport, banks, exchange shops or some hotels and shopping malls. Cash can be used in most shops, restaurants and markets.

**2. Credit cards:** Major international credit cards such as Visa, MasterCard, American Express are accepted at most shops, restaurants and hotels. When using a credit card, make sure your card is available internationally and be aware of possible transaction fees.

**3. Mobile payment:** Mobile payment methods such as Apple Pay are widely accepted in Hong Kong. make sure your mobile payment app is connected to a valid bank account or credit card.

# Getting around Hong Kong

**1. Taxi:** Taxis in Hong Kong come in three colours: red (city limits), green (New Territories limits) and blue (Lantau Island limits).

**2. Taxi apps:** Commonly used taxi apps include Uber and Hong Kong's local GoGoVan. Taxi apps support a variety of payment methods, including credit cards and mobile payments.

**3.** Public transport: The MTR (Mass Transit Railway) is the easiest form of transport and covers major districts and attractions in Hong Kong. It can be paid for with an Octopus Card. Buy an Octopus Card from the Customer Service Centre in almost any MTR station or the Airport. You can also get them at Central Ferry Piers 5 and 6. They require a \$50 deposit.





## Shenzhen: A Hub of Innovation and Culture

Shenzhen (SZ), known as China's Silicon Valley, offers a unique blend of cutting-edge technology and rich cultural heritage. It is a testament to rapid growth and houses the global headquarters of MGI. Founded in 2016, MGI is an independent, privately held company that produces life science tools, including sequencers, medical imaging systems, and laboratory automation platforms. Our products are widely used in precision medicine, precision agriculture, precision healthcare, and other relevant applications.

MGI Global Headquarters Location: No. 9, Yunhua Road, Yantian District, Shenzhen, China



## Payment methods in Shenzhen

**1. Card payments:** International credit and debit cards (e.g. Visa, MasterCard, American Express) are accepted in several large shops, restaurants and hotels.

**2. RMB Cash payments:** Cash can be withdrawn at airports, banks or ATMs using an international bank card.

**3. Mobile payment:** WeChat Pay and Alipay are the most common mobile payment methods in Shenzhen, and it is possible to use these mobile payment apps by tying an international credit card to them.

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## **Recommended Hotels in Shenzhen**

- **Option 1:** Scan the QR code for an exclusive hotel offer with Kingkey Palace Hotel.
- Option 2: Vienna Hotel Address: No.4026 Banxuegang Road, Bantian, 89390666, Shenzhen (Shenzhen Yantian Ganghong Anwei Subway Station Branch). Approximately 3km from the conference venue

#### **Booking Link**

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Option 3: Hampton by Hilton Shenzhen
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Address: 100 Yanmei Road, Yantian District, approximately 3km from the conference venue

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### Transportation

From Shenzhen Bao'an International Airport to Kingkey Palace Hotel is approximately 60 minutes by taxi

From Hotels to Conference Venue: Approximately 5 minutes by taxi to MGI HQ

Shenzhen Bao'an (SZX) International Airport Location: Bao'an District, Shenzhen, Guangdong

A helpful passenger guide can be found here.

# **Getting around Shenzhen**

**1. Metro:** Shenzhen's extensive metro network is one of the main ways to get around. Metro lines are clear, with both signs and ticket machines in both Chinese and English. Travellers can use single tickets or buy a Shenzhen Tong Card to travel on the metro.

2. Taxi: Taxis are available everywhere in Shenzhen and can be paid for with cash.

**3.** Buses: Shenzhen has a well-developed bus system that covers most of the city and suburbs and takes both cash and Shenzhen Tong Card payments. There are stop announcements in English on the bus.

**4. Taxi apps:** DiDi is the most used taxi app service in Shenzhen, which can be hailed through the mobile phone app and supports a variety of payment methods.

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**6. Airport Express:** Shenzhen Bao'an International Airport offers a special Airport Express that connects the airport to major parts of the city and can be purchased with cash.