



**28<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific  
Scout Conference**  
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## Message from The General Association of the Scouts of China (Taiwan)

Hello, Brothers and Sisters in Scouting.

The Scouts of China (Taiwan) extends a sincere invitation to Scout leaders and experts from the Asia-Pacific Region to join the 28<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Scout Conference, which will be held in the Republic of China (Taiwan) in October 2025.

In recent years, the Scouts of China (Taiwan) has continued to promote and enhance youth activities and actively participate in various international events to advance Scouting education and expand its social influence. We also look forward to the Asia-Pacific Scout Conference, which will provide a diverse and extensive platform for Scout leaders from different NSOs to engage in discussions and decision-making.

Scouts of China (Taiwan) are READY!

We hope you will accept this warm invitation to join us from 12 - 17 October 2025 at the Kaohsiung Exhibition Center in Kaohsiung for the Asia-Pacific Scout Conference, embarking on a new chapter of the Scout movement.



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## Message from Chairman, Regional Scout Committee, Asia-Pacific Region

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Scouting,

Warm greetings from the Asia-Pacific Region!

As we prepare for the 28<sup>th</sup> Asia Pacific Conference in October, the organising team is dedicated to providing you with relevant updates to help you make the most of your event experience. We will be launching an official website, social media pages, and regular bulletins to guide participants throughout the event. These resources, along with our digital channels, will offer key information on the conference program, accommodation options, and important documents to ensure you can navigate the event with ease. We trust that these materials will help you prepare allowing you to engage in meaningful discussions and collaborate effectively.



Let me also extend my heartfelt congratulations to the Asia Pacific Support Centre Organizing Committee and the General Association of Scouts of China for their outstanding leadership in organising this key regional event. Their dedication and hard work have been crucial in ensuring the success of the Conference.

I'm sure everyone agrees that the upcoming Conference is another important milestone for all of us, presenting a valuable opportunity to shape the future of Scouting across the Region. Your participation will reflect your strong commitment to advancing the growth and impact of our Movement. With that in mind, I look forward to seeing you in Kaohsiung, Taiwan. Let us remain united in our vision, working together to inspire positive change and continue the mission of Scouting.

Yours in Scouting,

**Dale B. Corvera**

Chairman, Regional Scout Committee



## Discovering Taiwan

There are many reasons to visit Taiwan, the heart of Asia. Known as Formosa, the beautiful island, Taiwan has amazing scenery from mountains to the ocean, and it is incredibly green. Wherever you are, there is always a lush tropical forest around the corner. The landscape changes dramatically across the island. Central Taiwan is dominated by impressive summits, while the southern tip of Taiwan—Kenting—is famous for its sandy beaches.

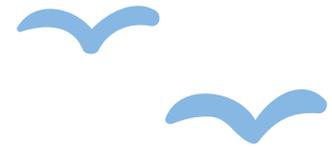
Come to Taiwan and enjoy the festivals, too. Taiwan's calendar is packed with fascinating celebrations and holidays, such as the Taiwan Lantern Festival in February, the Matsu Pilgrimage in March, the Dragon Boat Festival in June, the International Balloon Fiesta in Taitung during summertime, and last but not least, Chinese New Year, the most important time when families reunite to celebrate an upcoming new year of joy.

Taiwan also has a diverse culture with 16 officially recognised aboriginal tribes. They lived on this magnificent island long before the Europeans and Han settlers arrived from China. A great place to learn about the various aboriginal tribes is the Sun Moon Lake area, located in Central Taiwan.



Don't forget to enjoy Taiwanese food. You will love this combination—Taiwanese food is incredibly tasty and affordable! There are numerous night markets across the island. Each one is different, which makes it exciting. In Taipei, the Shilin Night Market is the largest. Be sure to taste the following Taiwan dishes, such as Mango Shaved Ice, Stinky Tofu, Beef Noodles, and many more.





## Kaohsiung

Kaohsiung, where the Conference will be held, is located by the southern bay of Taiwan and neighbours Tainan and Pingtung. It is Taiwan's second-largest city and is only 1.5 hours from Taipei by High-Speed Rail. Kaohsiung has the most beautiful harbour view and is full of surprises with its city charm and ecological culture. Kaohsiung has an abundance of natural and cultural resources, farms, forests, mountains, and hot springs, which are suitable for multi-day trips to experience the warmth of southern Taiwan!

Touring Kaohsiung by LRT and MRT is highly recommended for first-time visitors as the route links historical buildings and popular attractions of various regions of Kaohsiung. Experience a different way of travelling in Kaohsiung by taking the LRT to the pier and then a boat ride for the romantic riverside view, or enjoy the magnificent view of the cruise entering the harbor.

Find out more on the official website of the 28<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Scout Conference about Kaohsiung.

<https://28apsc.scout.org.tw>



Kaohsiung, a sunlit harbor city, boasts a blend of historical culture and modern charm. Its scenic coastlines, bustling commercial districts, and abundant tourism resources offer endless surprises that captivate visitors.



## Square and Population

The Republic of China (Taiwan) is between Japan and the Philippines in the West Pacific. Its jurisdiction extends to the archipelagoes of Penghu, Kinmen, and Matsu, as well as numerous other islets. Taiwan and its outlying islands' total area is around 36,197 square kilometers. At about the size of the Netherlands but with a population of 23 million, Taiwan is more populous than three-quarters of the world's nations. Taiwan has more than its share of natural splendour. Mountain ranges with many peaks reaching over 3,000 metres—including East Asia's highest, Jade Mountain (Yushan)—and forested foothills occupy more than half of its area.

## Language

Mandarin (Chinese) is the primary and official language of Taiwan. Holo (Taiwanese) and Hakka are the major dialects. The aboriginal tribes also speak several Austronesian languages. The Taiwanese government emphasises English education nowadays, and Taiwanese people often start learning English as early as preschool and continue to learn it in university. Most people, especially in big cities like Taipei, Taichung, and Kaohsiung, can speak English fluently and express themselves very well.

## Climate

Taiwan has a beautiful, warm climate all year round. The annual average temperature is a comfortable 22°C, with the lowest temperatures ranging from 12 to 17°C (54-63°F). Winter in Taiwan is from December to February. The weather varies in different parts of Taiwan. In the south, it is mostly sunny and warm, with a temperature of about 25°C (77°F), while in the north, there are several days of rain, and it is colder, with a temperature of 10°C (50°F). Prepare a coat and an umbrella. Wearing layers is a good idea.

## Currency

The New Taiwan Dollar (code: TWD; symbol: NT\$, also abbreviated as NT) is the official currency used in Taiwan.

Banknotes: NT\$100, NT\$200, NT\$500, NT\$1000, NT\$2000.

Coins: NT\$1, NT\$5, NT\$10, NT\$50.

Credit cards are widely accepted throughout the country. It is highly recommended to exchange your money at the airport if you do not have a credit card.





## Electricity

Taiwan uses an electric current of 110 volts at 60 cycles.

Many buildings also have 220-volt sockets.

Visitors with appliances of different voltages are urged to bring adapters with them.



plug type A



plug type B

## Religion

Religious freedom is constitutionally guaranteed in Taiwan, and the country is home to a diverse range of religions—26 are officially recognised, but people are free to follow other religions as they wish. Government statistics show that Buddhism is the most popular religion, practiced by around 35.1% of Taiwanese, followed closely by Taoism (33.0%). Christianity and Yiguandao are the third and fourth most popular religions, followed by 3.9% and 3.5%, respectively. Approximately 18.7% of Taiwanese are non-religious.





## Scouting in Taiwan, ROC

The Scout Movement of ROC was founded in 1912 in China following the birth of the Republic. The General Association was formally established in Nanking in 1934 and became a member of the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM) in 1937.

Scouting resumed its activities after WWII, and the General Association moved to Taiwan to continue its service. We have hosted many world and regional events, such as the World Scout Moot in 2004 and the APR Scout Jamboree in 1999 and 2011. Many national-level key leaders have been elected and served in various regional positions, such as APR Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

After a six-year hiatus, the 12<sup>th</sup> National Scout Jamboree made its long-awaited return in Tainan from 10-16 July 2024. Last held in 2018, the event had been put on hold due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The 2024 Jamboree was especially meaningful as it coincided with the Tainan 400 celebrations. The Jamboree brought together over 8,000 Scouts from 18 countries and all across Taiwan at Zoumalai Farm in Tainan, fostering friendship, adventure, and cultural exchange.



There are five Scout sections in our youth program for the educational development of young people from 6 to 26. The latest annual registered membership, as of January 2025, is about 50,356.

There are also many training opportunities for adult leaders within Taiwan. The National Training Center conducts Wood Badge training courses for leaders and training courses for adult trainers, such as CALT and CLT.

Our Scout Association puts great effort into developing our Rover section. Each year, the National Rover Conference (NRC) is organised by the Rover Scouts themselves to discuss various issues.



## All you have to know about the APR Scout Conference

Conference Theme: 

Asia-Pacific is a vast region in terms of organisation and geography, with members of diverse cultural backgrounds and language. However, we share the same value in Scouting, trying to establish a better world for the next generation. Just as Scouting embraces difference among its members, when a unified goal runs through the heart of all actions and decisions: creating a better world. Thus, Scouting: Integrated Versatility is chosen as the main conference theme. It is to remind us to cherish our diversity and yet unite for our common goal.

### Registration Fee

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| 28 <sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Scout Conference 12-17 October 2025 |        |
| a. Chief Delegate/Delegates                                       | USD400 |
| b. Observers  | USD400 |
| c. Other Committee Members  | USD400 |
| d. Accompanying Persons   | USD350 |
| e. Youth Participants(Under 26 years old before 12 October 2025)  | USD250 |
| f. Guests (3 days package)  | USD300 |

The registration fee will cover inland transportation, conference kit, all meals during the official period of the conference, conference souvenirs, and educational tours.

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| 11 <sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Scout Youth Forum 6-9 October 2025             |        |
| a. Youth Forum   | USD250 |
| b. Special Rates for those attending two events:<br>Conference & Youth Forum | USD430 |

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| Asia-Pacific Course for Leader Trainers 3-9 October 2025                                    |        |
| a. Participants   | USD350 |
| b. Special Rates for those attending two events:<br>Conference & Course for Leader Trainers | USD700 |



## Registration Process Guideline

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Details about conference registration can be accessed on the official website of the 28th Asia-Pacific Scout Conference: <https://28apsc.scout.org.tw/>

#### Important Registration Dates

- Registration Start Date: 15 March, 2025
- Registration Deadline: 20 June, 2025
- Online Payment Completion Deadline: 15 July, 2025
- Cancellation Deadline: 31 August, 2025

#### Registration Procedure

##### Preparing the Delegation List

Each National Scout Organization (NSO) shall designate an authorised representative to compile the list of delegation members and observers. An Excel template will be provided for this purpose.

##### Endorse and submit by NSO

Once the Name List has been completed, a designated representative from each NSO must submit to the Google Form and upload the completed file. The authorised representative (typically the International Commissioner of the respective NSO) will then proceed with the endorsement online.

Only committee members, subcommittee members, and conference staff can register without the NSO endorsements.

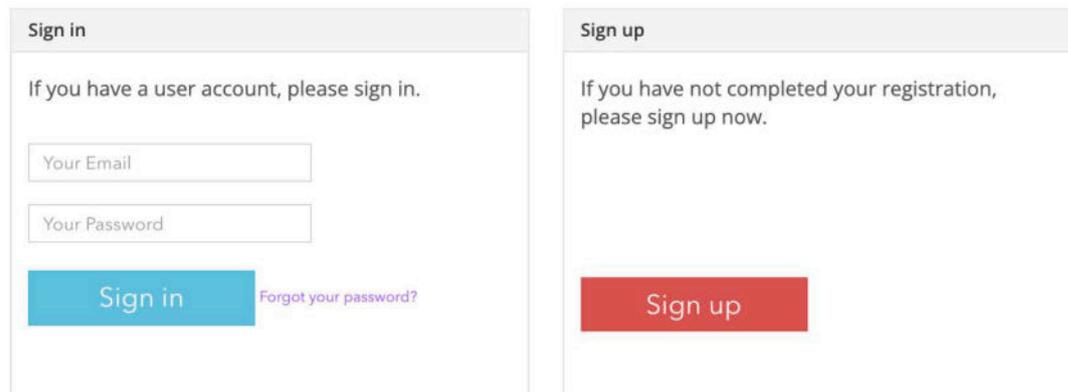
##### Registration Individually

The online registration link will only be sent to the name list endorsed by your NSO. All delegation members and observers must complete the registration form and submit the registration fee through online payment.

1. Once we receive the NSO list, you will receive a registration link to your personal email address.
2. Upon clicking the link for the first time, please select "Sign Up" to start the registration.



## 28<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Scout Conference Online Registration



The screenshot shows two side-by-side registration boxes. The left box is titled 'Sign in' and contains the text 'If you have a user account, please sign in.' Below this are two input fields: 'Your Email' and 'Your Password'. At the bottom of the box is a blue 'Sign in' button and a purple link for 'Forgot your password?'. The right box is titled 'Sign up' and contains the text 'If you have not completed your registration, please sign up now.' At the bottom of this box is a red 'Sign up' button.

3. The registration process includes filling-in details such as Country Information, Personal Information, Passport Information, VISA Information, Safe from Harm Certificate, Arrival and Departure Information, Dietary Requirements, Shirt Size, Medical Information, and Registration Fees, among others. Please ensure that all the information you provide is accurate.
4. Kindly remember your password, as you will need it for future sign-ins.
5. After submitting the form, you will receive a registration confirmation email.
6. Once your online payment is successfully completed, you will receive a payment confirmation email.
7. Prior to the event, we will verify the registration and payment status with the representatives of each NSO.

### FURTHER ASSISTANCE

If you need assistance in registering your group, please email us at [28apsc2025-reg@scout.org.tw](mailto:28apsc2025-reg@scout.org.tw)



## Programme

### AP Scout Conference

The Asia Pacific Scout Conference event is going to take place from 12-17 October 2025. Tentatively, the joint meeting of the Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Committee and Heads of Delegations is planned for the morning of 12 October 2025. The opening ceremony will be held in the afternoon of 12 October, while the closing ceremony is set for the afternoon of 17 October. Delegations are expected to arrive in Kaohsiung on 11 October and may depart on 18 October 2025.

### Programme Overview

The organising committee is still finalising the programme. We will keep you posted once programme is finalised.



## AP Scout Youth Forum

The 11<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Scout Youth Forum in conjunction with the 28<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Scout Conference (Ref.: APR-C19-2024). This significant event will be hosted by The General Association of the Scouts of China. The forum serves as a platform for young people to develop and enhance their decision-making skills at the institutional level within Scouting.



## 11<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Scout Youth Forum Taiwan, 06-09 October 2025

### Forum Venue

Chientan Youth Activity Centre, Taipei City, Taiwan.

### Forum Fee & Registration

The registration fee will be at USD 250.

This includes the forum kit and materials, inland transportation, accommodation for five nights (check-in on 5 October and check-out on 10 October), meals for five days (from dinner on 5 October to breakfast on 10 October), an educational tour, and forum documents. Participants of the Youth Forum who will also be attending the 28<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Scout Conference will need to pay an additional registration fee of USD 180, making the total participation fee for both the Forum and the Conference USD 430.

Please note that this conference fee does not cover accommodation during the conference. Additionally, participants and staff who plan to attend the 28<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Scout Conference are required to complete a separate Conference Registration Form through their respective NSO and pay the applicable conference fee.



Chientan Youth Activity Center in Taipei City

## Date and Programme

| Date          | Programme  |
|---------------|--|
| 5 October     | Arrival of participants in Taipei (TPE)  |
| 6 - 9 October | AP Youth Forum   |
| 10 October    | Forum will end around afternoon. Departure of participants or continue the APR Conference in Kaohsiung |

## Eligibility of participants

Consistent to the Guidelines for Asia-Pacific Scout Youth Forum, "participants of the AP Scout Youth Forum should represent the NSO well and therefore, participants should ideally be elected from a National Youth Forum or equivalent institutional structure like a National Rover Council. Some NSOs have young people in their National Executive Board. They, too, are ideal participants of the Youth Forum."

Each NSO shall appoint two delegates and a maximum of eight observers to the Youth Forum (total of ten participants).

Participants must be endorsed by the NSO and must be between 18 to 26 years old during the period of the forum. Other youth organizations from the host country may also be invited to join.

## Contact Information

Mr. Daniel Chun-Lin RUAN  
Director, 11<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Scout Youth Forum  
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## Course for Leader Trainers

The Asia-Pacific Region together with the General Association of the Scouts of China will host the Asia-Pacific Course for Leader Trainers (CLT) on 3 - 9 October in Taipei, Taiwan.

## Course Venue

The course venue is the Yangmingshan Teachers Training Centre, Taipei City. The venue provides modest accommodation with twin bed sharing rooms. It takes about 40 minutes from downtown Taipei to the area.

## Course Fee

The course fee is USD350 per participant. This includes inland transportation, accommodation for seven (7) nights (check-in on 2 October, and check out on 9 October), food from dinner of 2 October 2025 to lunch of 9 October 2025, course kit and materials, educational tour, and souvenirs.

A special rate of USD700.00 is offered to CLT Participants who are also attending the 28<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Scout Conference.



**Asia-Pacific**  
**Course for Leader Trainers**  
**Taiwan, 03-09 October 2025**



Yangmingshan Teachers Training Centre in Taipei City

## Date and Programme

| Date          | Programme  |
|---------------|--|
| 2 October     | Arrival of participants in Taipei (TPE)  |
| 3 - 9 October | APR CLT  |
| 9 October     | Course will end around noon. Departure of participants or continue the APR Conference in Kaohsiung |

## Eligibility of participants

Each NSO sending participants to the CLT is requested to nominate a maximum of three (3) individuals. Priority will be given to adults who have actively served as Assistant Leader Trainers for at least three years.

Nominees must have fulfilled the requirements of their respective NSO Training Scheme/ System.

For the eligibility of participants, please refer to the Circular No.APR-C24-2024 dated on 7 October 2024.

## Registration

For registration, please note it is done by your National Scout Organization with endorsement letter from your National Training Commissioner. Please send the Reply Slip not later than 30 June 2025.

Please arrange your arrival and departure from Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport (TPE). In case you plan to attend the Conference after the CLT, please book your departure flight to Kaohsiung for easy transportation.

## Contact Information

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The General Association of the Scouts of China  
2025aprclt@scout.org.tw

## Chief Scout Executives Meet (CSE Meet)

The Chief Scout Executives Meet (CSE Meet) will be held in conjunction with the 28th Asia-Pacific Scout Conference, hosted by the General Association of Scouts of China (Taiwan). This gathering aims to bring together top professionals from National Scout Organizations (NSOs) across the region.

### CSE Meet Venue

Howard Plaza Hotel Kaohsiung, Taiwan

### Date and Time

Date: 10 October 2025

Time: 09:00 AM - 5:30 PM (followed by dinner)

### Programme

This meeting serves as a platform to:

- Foster fellowship and collaboration among Chief Scout Executives
- Discuss shared challenges and opportunities in Scouting leadership
- Develop recommendations to strengthen regional cooperation
- Exchange professional and technical expertise
- Gain insights from expert speakers on emerging trends impacting Scouting

### Eligibility of participants

All top professionals (Secretary General, Directors, National Secretary, or equivalent) from NSOs are strongly encouraged to attend.



## Accompanying Person Programme

### Day 1: 13 October (Monday) Cultural Tour

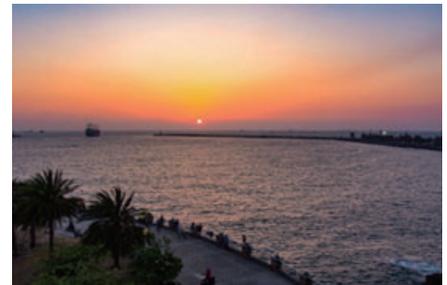
Arrange to experience the cultural style of southern Taiwan, visit Dagangshan Chaofeng Temple to overlook the plain scenery, explore Qishan Old Street, Meinong Hakka Culture and Sandimen Aboriginal Cultural Park and E-Da world, let all participants enjoy Taiwan's diverse culture and humanistic characteristics for a whole day.



Qishan Old Street preserving its cultural characteristics through historic architecture, lively street scenes, and enduring local traditions.

### Day 2: 15 October (Wednesday) Ocean Scenic Tour

Arrange to visit the most famous Dapeng Bay National Scenic Area in southern Taiwan to appreciate the natural and unique lagoon landscape and ecological environment, experiand take a cruise in the bay to enjoy the lagoon scenery. Today we will visit the Hongmaogang Cultural Park and go to Dream Mall to enjoy shopping in the evening.



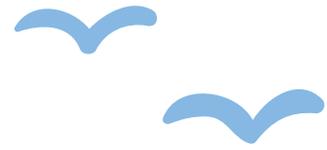
Sizihwan Bay is endowed with beautiful sunsets.

### Day 3: 16 October (Thursday) Asia's New Bay Area Tour

Kaohsiung City has beautiful harbour scenery, an emerging arts and cultural industry, and complete recreational facilities. To fully experience this beautiful city, we will visit the Pier-2 Art Center, Kaohsiung Parade and Music Center, and the British Consulate. We will enjoy Cijin seafood and the sunset at Xiziwan in the evening



Note: This is the tentative plan, and actual on-sit arrangements shall prevail



## Conference Venue

The conference venue is Kaohsiung Exhibition Center.

Opened in 2014, Kaohsiung Exhibition Center (KEC) is the first multifunctional waterfront venue operated by the Interplan Group.

Our objective is to be the premier event venue in Taiwan and positioned among the top in Asia, where all parties who contact us are left with a positive, lasting impression. With over 25,000 m<sup>2</sup> of indoor and outdoor exhibition space and a large variety of conference rooms accommodating between 20 to 2,000 people, with a capacity of up to 4,000 attendees at one time, KEC is the premier multi-purpose venue in Taiwan, ideal for hybrid events.

In 2021, KEC was selected as the implement venue importing “Cultural Technology: Innovative 5G Vertical Application Project” and has transformed into a 5G high-tech multifunctional venue where can deliver various innovative 5G industrial technology demonstrations, applications, and services.

By setting Venue as a Platform, Technologies as Services, and promoting relevant businesses in the exhibition center, KEC aims to become a platform featuring innovative 5G AIoT technology applications and business development opportunities.

More information is shown on the website:

<https://www.kecc.com.tw/en-us>



## Transportation

### High Speed Rail

High Speed Rail connects from Taipei in 1 hour and 30 minutes. Drive from Zuoying Station, Arrive KEC in around 30 minutes.

Terminal in Kaohsiung is Zuoying Station. A 20 minute taxi ride to KEC. Or take the Kaohsiung rapid transit (KRT) to Sanduo shopping district station (R8), which is then a 10-minute walk to KEC.

The official site: [www.thsrc.com.tw](http://www.thsrc.com.tw)

### MRT

Stop: R8 Sanduo Shopping District Station (a 10-minute walk from Exit 2.)

Kaohsiung Rapid Transit : [www.kecc.com.tw/en-us](http://www.kecc.com.tw/en-us)

More information please visit official website of the 28th Asia-Pacific Scout Conference:  
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Kaohsiung Metro provides a convenient transportation network.



Kaohsiung public buses and sightseeing buses provide a new option for traveling around Kaohsiung.

## Hotel



Name of Hotel GRAND HILAI KAOHSIUNG  
 Contact Number +886-7-216-1766  
 Website <https://www.grand-hilai.com/en/>  
 Room Rate Superior Room, Twin / 2 Single Bed(s)  
 :USD 180/night/room  
 Distance 1.9km



Name of Hotel Han-Hsien International Hotel  
 Contact Number +886-7-332-2000  
 Website <http://www.han-hsien.com.tw/hhjh/en/>  
 Room Rate Standard Single:USD232/night/room  
 Deluxe Twin:USD302/night/room  
 Distance 2.8km



Name of Hotel Howard Plaza Hotel Kaohsiung  
 Contact Number +886-7-2362323  
 Website <https://www.howard-hotels.com.tw/enUS/HotelBusiness/136>  
 Room Rate Deluxe Single:USD 92/night/room  
 Deluxe Twin:USD104/night/room  
 Distance 4.6km



Name of Hotel Fullon Hotel Kaohsiung  
 Contact Number +886-7-551-1188  
 Website <https://www.fullon-hotels.com.tw/kh/en/>  
 Room Rate Superior Twin Room:129/night/room  
 Distance 2.8km



Name of Hotel Suites Kaohsiung Chenai  
 Contact Number +886-7-521-5116  
 Website <https://www.citysuits.com.tw/en/>  
 Room Rate Standard Double Room-without  
 window:85USD/night/room  
 Distance 3.4km



Name of Hotel Kindness Hotel - Kaohsiung Guang Rong Pier  
 Contact Number +886-7-334-3377  
 Website <https://www.kindness-hotel.com.tw/hotels/kaohsiung/guang-rong-pier>  
 Room Rate Deluxe Twin:104 USD/night/room  
 Distance 1.8km



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