

2025 Smart City Summit & Expo Media Delegation VIP Package

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I. What is SCSE Media VIP Package

- A. To encourage attendance of international journalists at the Smart City Summit and Expo (SCSE), the Organizer offers a Media VIP Package (referred to as the "Package") to subsidize travel costs and provide logistic support for eligible overseas guests (referred to as "Guests") during SCSE.
- B. The Package is available on a limited basis. Registration deadline is **January 24**th, **2025**. New applicants after this date may be waitlisted with no guaranteed eligibility.
- C. The Package includes incentives and obligations. Guests must fulfill participation in specific activities as requested by the Organizer to qualify for the full package. (Refer to Section V for details on obligations.)
- D. SCSE and this Package are organized by Taipei Computer Association, who reserves the right to modify the content without prior notification or providing any reasons.

II. Who can apply

- A. The package is exclusively available for media delegations consisting of foreign press journalists or reporters with substantial experience in smart city content creation for television, newspapers, magazines, or online media.
- B. Each delegation is limited to a single media company, with a maximum of 1 person per company.

Notices:

- 1. Eligibility is non-transferable and cannot be exchanged for cash.
- 2. The package is exclusively for overseas guests. Guests with residence in Taiwan are not eligible to apply.
- 3. The Media VIP package is applicable only to individuals who register as part of the Media Delegation. Guests registering under the GOV Delegation, BIZ Delegation, Exhibitors, or any other category are not entitled to the benefits, VIP invitations, or agenda included in this package.

III. What's in the Media VIP package

The Guest is entitled to event support provided if they fulfill the obligations requested by the Organizer (as detailed in V. What are the obligations).

A. Invitation to Highlighted Programs during event days: Opening Ceremony, City Leaders Summit, Expo Tours, Exclusive Joint Interviews, Professional Forums, Real-site Demo Tours, Cultural Tour, etc.

	АМ	PM
Mar. 18	Opening Ceremony SCSE Joint Interviews	City Leader Summit
Mar. 19	Professional Forums Net Zero Expo Tour	5G + Al Expo Tour Professional Forums
Mar. 20	Professional Forums Real-site Demo Tour Matchmaking	Professional Forums Real-site Demo Tour Matchmaking
Mar. 21	Cultural Tour	Cultural Tour

Notices:

- 1. Mandatory activities are marked in red.
- 2. TCA reserves the right to revise the program without notice in advance.
- **B.** Travel reimbursement for the Media Delegation: available exclusively for the Media Delegation, with each delegation limited to designating only 1 person.
 - a. The delegation will be eligible for travel reimbursement for 1 round-trip flight ticket to and from Taipei.
 - b. The reimbursement will be provided on an accountable basis and is limited to Economy class with a price cap. The maximum ticket price varies depending on the leader's region:
 - (1) Southeast Asia/East Asia: USD500

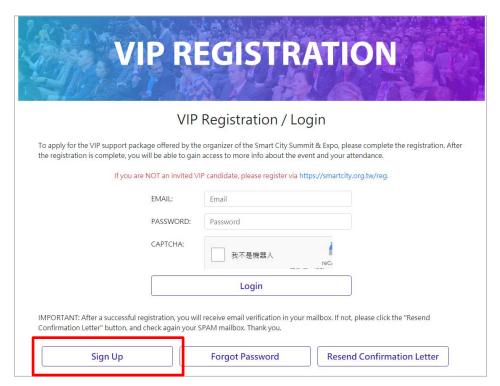
- (2) Central and South America: USD2,000
- (3) Other regions: USD1,500
- c. The Organizer will only reimburse the part of the itinerary to and from Taipei. If the flight transfer exceeds 24 hours, it will be considered as two separate flights and will NOT be eligible for reimbursement.
- C. 4-day subsidized accommodation for all delegates: exclusively offered in hotels designated by the Organizer and available only for specific dates.
 - a. The maximum subsidy for accommodation per person is NTD3,000 (approximately USD100) per night per room, with a total amount not exceeding NTD12,000. This subsidy is exclusively provided for the specified dates of March 17th to 22st, 2025.
 - b. Guests are required to make their own hotel reservations by January 24th, 2025. Failure to complete the reservation by the specified date may result in the ineligibility for the accommodation subsidy. The Organizer will NOT be responsible for making, changing, or cancelling hotel reservations for the Guests.
 - c. Guests are required to adhere to the hotel's cancellation policies and are responsible for any associated costs in the event of a violation.
- **D. Venue transportation:** shuttle buses or other necessary transportation will be provided to facilitate travel between designated hotels and the venue for SCSE-related activities.
- **E. NOT INCLUDING:** Apart from the items specified above, the Guest will be responsible for the following costs, including but not limited to:
 - a. Accommodation costs incurred from reservations made outside the designated hotels or not within the specified dates provided in the Package.
 - b. Any additional costs incurred at the hotel, including room upgrades, additional services (such as extra beds or meals), early check-in/late check-out fees, and cancellation fees.
 - c. Meals.
 - d. Airport pick-up, drop-off, and personal transportation expenses.
 - e. Other personal costs (shopping, laundry, minibar, entertainment, etc.).

IV. How to apply

All guests in the Media Delegation who wish to apply for the Package must complete the registration by **January 24**th, **2025**.

A. VIP Registration Process

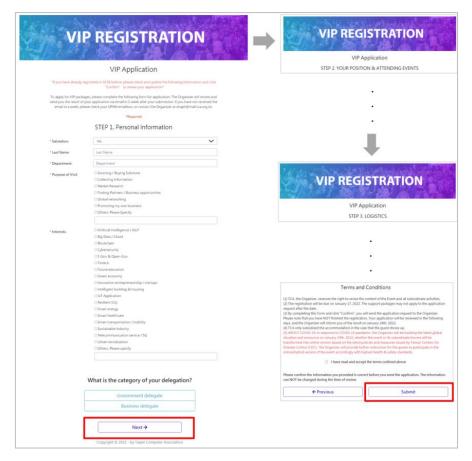
- ► STEP 1. Go to VIP Registration Page: https://smartcity.org.tw/vip/
- ▶ STEP 2. Click Sign Up to become a member of SCSE. If you are already a member, you can skip this step and go to Step 3.



After completing the sign-up process, you will receive a verification link via email. Please check your email and use the provided link to verify your account. If you don't receive the email, please check your spam folder or click 'Resend Confirmation Letter' in the member login.

➤ STEP 3. Login via https://smartcity.org.tw/vip/ again for VIP application.

Complete the application by entering the details and answering questions of your identity and participation.





Once your application is complete, the result will be sent to your email shortly. Meanwhile, you can use member login to visit 'My Application' and review or make any necessary edits to your profile.

- **B. Result Announcement:** Upon successful completion of the registration process, the Organizer will notify you of the result by January 31st, 2025.
- **C. Logistics for Visiting**: Applicants seeking subsidized accommodation must follow the instructions and make room reservations to secure their

accommodation. Failure to complete the reservation accordingly will result in the forfeiture of the accommodation support. The Organizer will maintain communication with applicants regarding their flight agenda, speech information, VIP program, and other important details leading up to the event.

V. What are the obligations

- **A. Requirements:** To receive comprehensive support from the Package, it is necessary to meet specific requirements outlined in the program.
 - All delegates in the delegation must complete their registration at the VIP Registration Page before Jan 24th, 2025.
 - b. The delegation is expected to actively engage in all designated activities organized by the Organizer. These activities include:
 - (1) Opening Ceremony
 - (2) City Leaders Summit
 - (3) SCSE Joint Interviews
 - (4) Expo Tours (Net Zero, 5G + AI)
 - c. Upon the Organizer's request, the delegation must produce and submit a minimum of 3 news articles that highlight the favorable aspects of the Smart City Summit & Expo, including but not limited to:
 - (1) Exhibition (Opening Ceremony, Exhibitor interviews, etc.)
 - (2) Professional Forums (Themes and topics, Speaker interviews, etc.) These articles will serve as verification of participation to access the complete benefits of the Package.
 - d. The delegation is additionally expected to distribute or publish the official press releases of SCSE.
- **B. Failure to meet the requirements:** If the Guest fails to meet the aforementioned requirements, they will forfeit their right to claim the support in the Package. Additionally, the Organizer reserves the right to decline offering the support in the Package, even during the event.

VI. How to get the travel reimbursement

NO reimbursements will be made before or during the time of summit. For those

applying for the travel reimbursement, please follow the steps below.

► STEP 1: Send required documents to the Organizer

- A. Within **2 months** after SCSE closes, the Guests are required to retain and provide the Organizer with all the documentation listed as follows.
 - a. Copy of flight e-tickets (full itinerary with ticket number).
 - b. Original copy of boarding passes (full itinerary).
 - c. Invoice/payment receipt, which must clearly state the following information: payer's name, total price, class, payment method, and payment status. If issued by an Airlines Company, it must be entitled to the Guest's name. If issued by a Travel Agency, it must be entitled to Taipei Computer Association.
 - d. Proof of event participation (news articles, videos, etc.)
- B. Unless the original documents are in electronic form that can be sent via email, they must be sent to the Organizer by air delivery.
- C. The Organizer will only reimburse the fare-related price (excluding insurance, internet roam, upgrade, or other services) based on the invoice provided by the Guest.
- D. The information on the above documents, including the passenger's name, class, ticket price, and destinations, must comply with the Organizer's requirements for travel reimbursement. Failure to meet these requirements will result in the full cost being borne by the Guest.
- E. Guests will forfeit their rights to claim travel reimbursement if the above documents are not received and approved by the Organizer within 2 months after SCSE closes. The Organizer reserves the right to decline requests thereafter.

▶ STEP 2: Wait for review

Upon receipt of the complete submission of the aforementioned documents, the Organizer will undertake a comprehensive review, with an expected duration of approximately 1 to 2 weeks.

► STEP 3: Send reimbursement details

A. If the aforementioned documents are complete, the Organizer will request the Guest to fill out the reimbursement form, which includes

- providing bank details.
- B. While the transfer can only be made in USD/EUR, any other currency will be automatically exchanged to USD/EUR at the rate on the Guest's boarding date. Please ensure your account can receive USD/EUR transfers. If the payment is declined, any extra charges or fees for a new transfer will be the Guest's responsibility.
- C. To reduce the risks of disputes, the Guest should provide a bank account under their own name or the name of city governments (in cases where the Guest's travel expenses are borne by city governments). If the bank account is under another agency's name, the Guest must provide the Organizer with clear authorization and an invoice issued by the agency to Taipei Computer Association.
- D. Reimbursement through wire transfer may be expected within 90 days after receiving qualified and complete documents, including the reimbursement form as mentioned above. The Organizer will notify the Guest after the transfer is completed.
- E. Unless specifically requested by the Organizer, any updated or new documents provided afterward will NOT be considered or accepted for reimbursement purposes.