WORLD CLIMBING ASIA

WORLD CLIMBING ASIA SERIES GUNSAN 2026

BOULDER / SPEED

SOUTH KOREA

31 OCTOBER – 1 NOVEMBER

ORGANISED BY

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1. Organisation

1.1. World Climbing Officials

Delegates		
Event Delegate	Christophe Billon (FRA)	christophe.billon@worldclimbing.com

Judging Team		
Jury President	Ying (Jamie) CHENG (CHN)	
Judge	Jihyeon JEONG (KOR)	
Judge	Masataka SUGIYAMA (JPN)	

Routesetting Teams		
Head Routesetter	Zida MA (CHN)	
Routesetter	Hanting DU (CHN)	
Routesetter	Kazuya TOKUNAGA (JPN)	

1.2. Local Organiser Committee

Event		
Event Director	Dongyoul LEE	kockaf@kaf.or.kr +82-2-414-2750

Administration and logistics		
Operations Coordinator	Hyunsuk CHA	kockaf@kaf.or.kr +82-2-414-2750
Operations Coordinator	Jaehyun LEE	kockaf@kaf.or.kr +82-2-414-2750

Media & Communications		
Media Coordinator	Hyeyoung YOON	kockaf@kaf.or.kr +82-2-414-2750

2. Programme

2.1. Provisional Programme (Local Time, UTC +9)

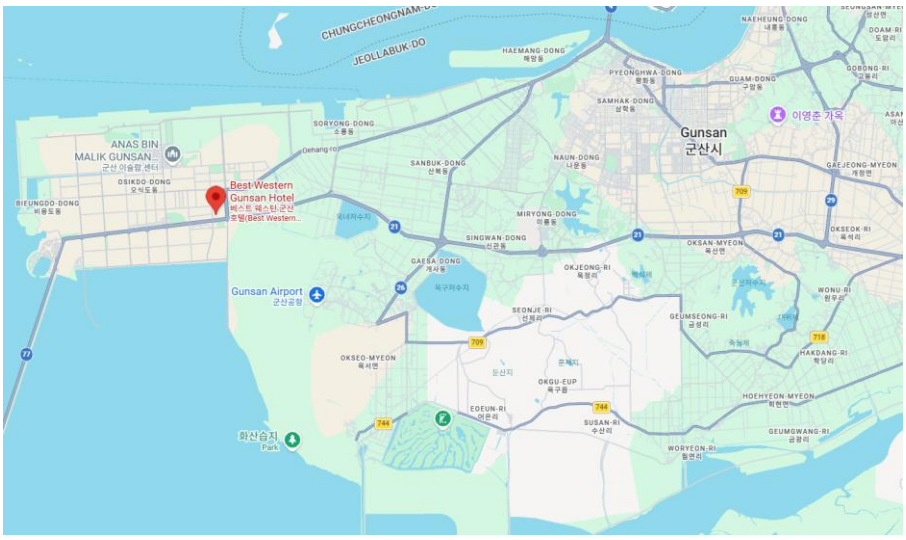
Friday, 30 October	
16:30-18:30	Confirmation of Attendance
19:00	Technical Meeting (Boulder & Speed)
Saturday, 31 October	
8:30-12:40	Boulder Qualification
14:00-15:00	Speed Practice
15:15-16:30	Speed Qualifications
17:00-18:00	Speed Finals
Sunday, 1 November	
08:00-10:40	Boulder Semifinal (To be held if more than 36 athletes per gender are registered)
13:00-15:00	Boulder Finals Women
16:00-18:00	Boulder Finals Men

Note: All National Teams competing in Boulder are expected to remain onsite through Sunday, 1 November (included) and plan their departure for Monday, 2 November.

2.2. Technical Meeting

Date and time:
Friday, 30 October 2026 at 19:00 (Boulder and Speed)

Location: BEST WESTERN Gunsan Hotel **(Rose Hall, 3rd Floor)**
435(Oshikdo-dong) Saemangeum Buk-ro, Gunsan, Jeolla Buk-do, Korea



The venue for all Technical Meetings is approximately an 15-minutes by car from the climbing venue.

IMPORTANT: Please note that a maximum of two (2) National Team Officials per Country will be allowed to access the Technical Meeting.

2.3. Confirmation of Attendance

Location: BEST WESTERN Gunsan Hotel **(Rose Hall, 3rd Floor)**

435(Oshikdo-dong) Saemangeum Buk-ro, Gunsan, Jeolla Buk-do, Korea

Physical confirmation of registration is mandatory. The Team Manager is responsible to communicate the presence of the National Team. In case of late arrival please contact the World Climbing Event Delegate (christophe.billon@worldclimbing.com) as soon as possible.

Although the confirmation of attendance for Boulder and Speed takes place on separate days, the event accreditation for registered team members can be picked up on any day when the accreditation is available. With your accreditation badge, you have access to the spectator area of the event during the whole week. Accreditation opening hours will be published on our website.

IMPORTANT: If you pick up your accreditation for the event already before the designated registration time, your attendance is not confirmed automatically! You will still need to confirm your attendance, either in person during the above-mentioned registration time or via message to the Event Delegate.

3. Deadlines and quotas

3.1. Registration deadline

[The deadline for registration is 15 days before the first day of competition (the"Registration Date") on 16 October 2026 at 11:59 PM UTC+0.]
Online Registration System: link

Licences: Only competitors and team officials with a valid World Climbing International licence are allowed to register for the competition.

3.3. Quota

Member Federations may register eligible Team Members in the numbers and capacity following:
A) Team Officials
1) one (1) Team Manager;
2) four (4) coaches per Discipline;
3) four (4) qualified medical

B) Competitors
1) Member Federation: Up to 8 Competitors per gender category/discipline
2) Host Federation: Up to 12 Competitors per gender category/discipline

4. Sport Information

4.1. Venue information

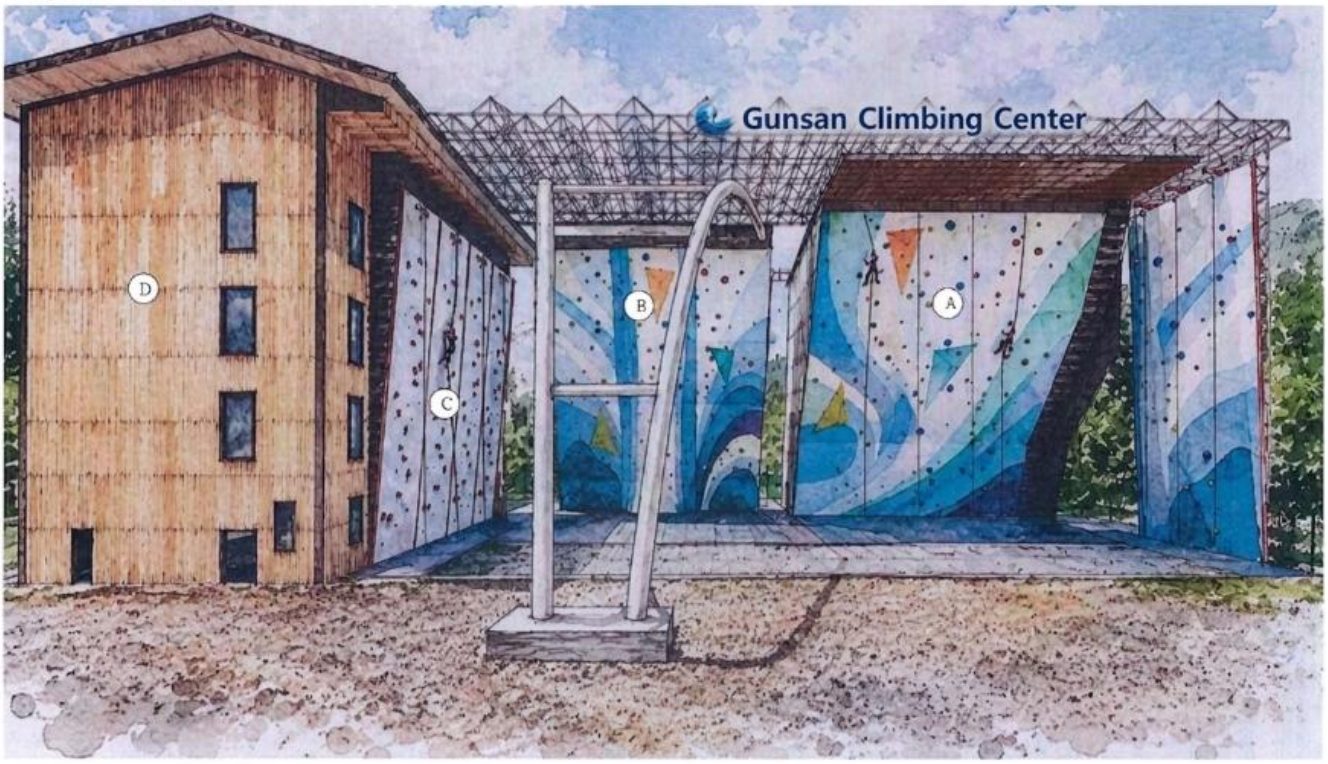
Venue information

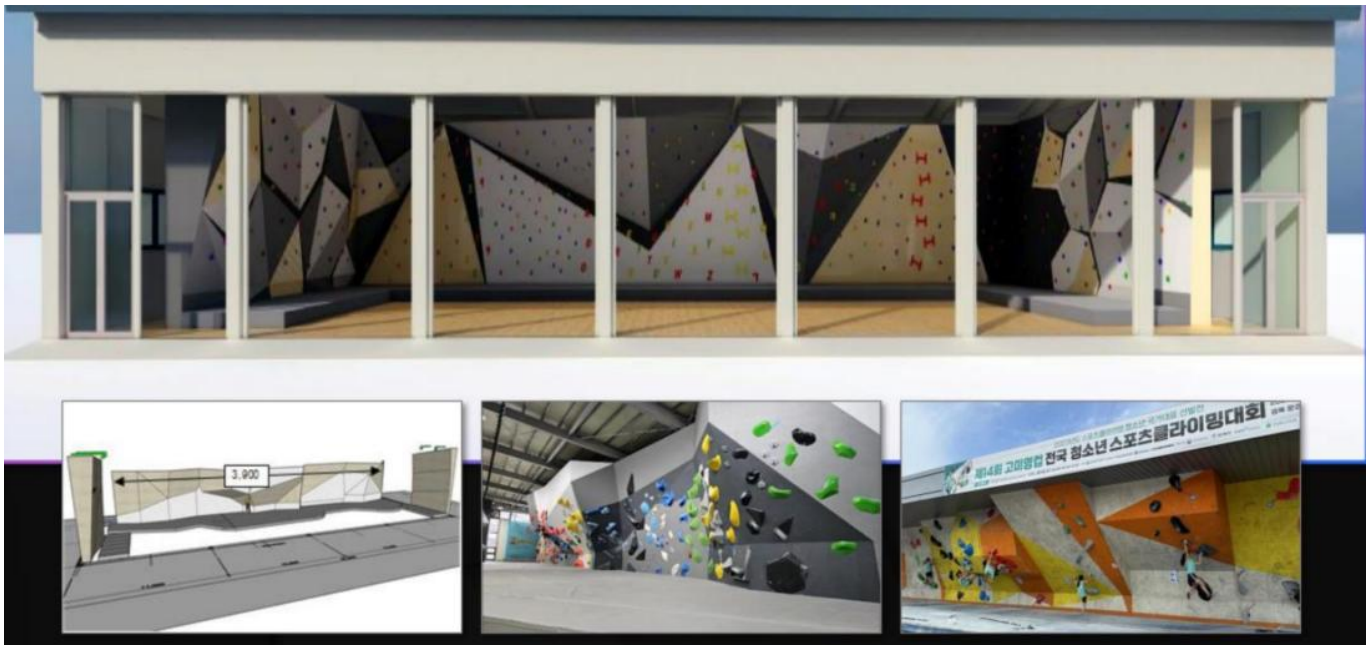
Location
Gunsan Climbing Center
46, Solkkoji 1-gil, Gunsan-si, Jeonbuk-do

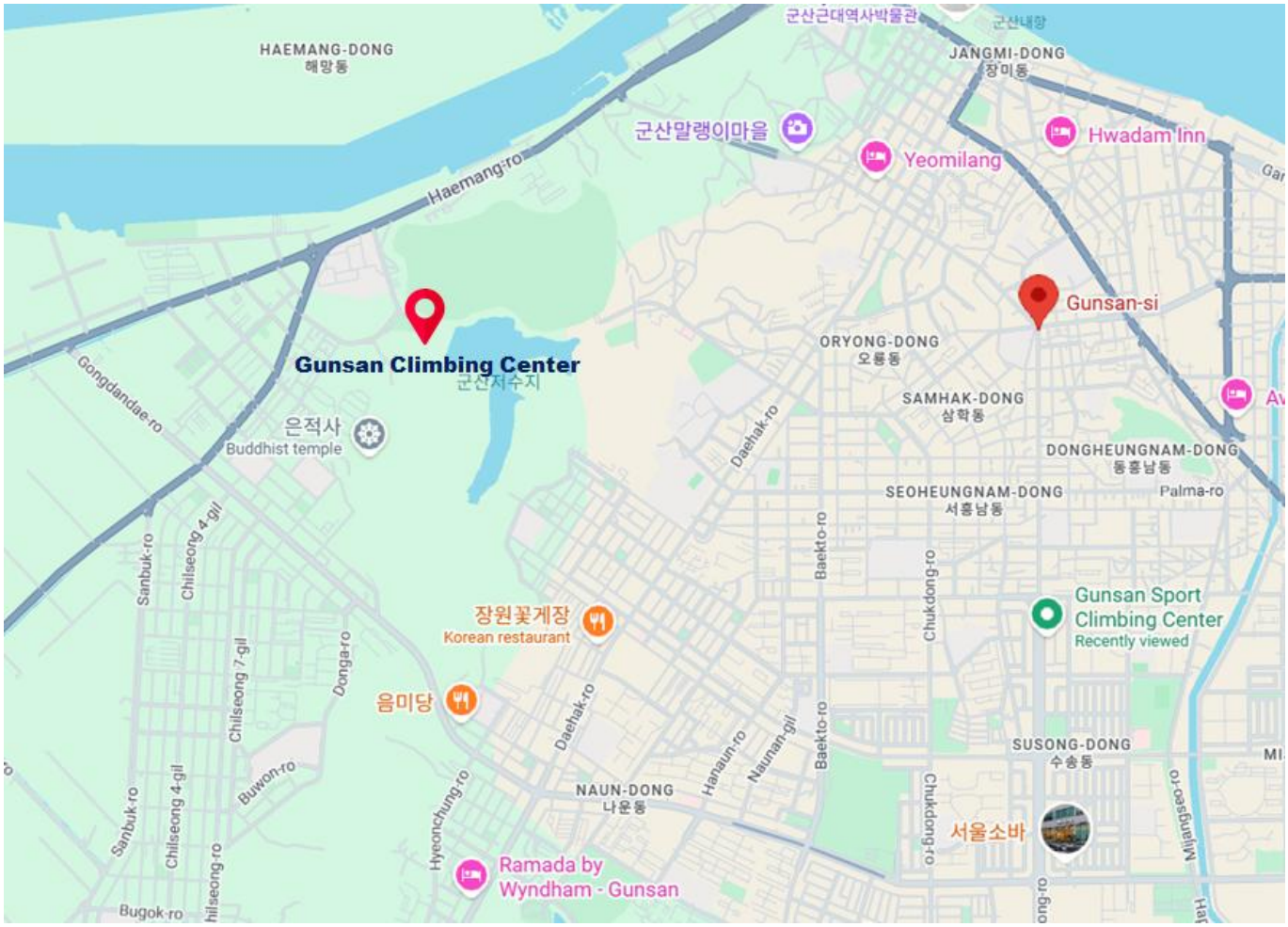
Pictures / description

◉ New Construction: Outdoor Lead Wall

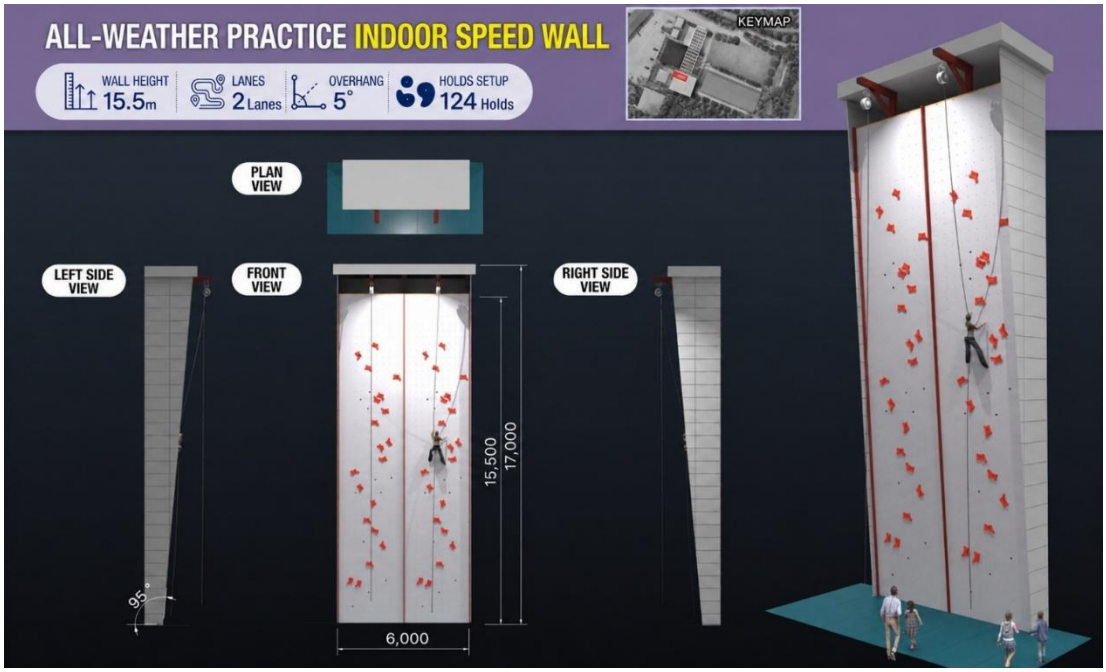
Ⓐ New Lead Wall
Ⓑ Existing Lead Wall
Ⓒ New Speed Wall
Ⓓ Indoor Lead, Speed







4.2. Warm-up zone



Expansion of the Boulder warm-up wall is planned, with dimensions of L 31 m × H 4.5 m.

4.1. Training Possibilities

Location
Gunsan Climbing Center
46, Solkkoji 1-gil, Gunsan-si, Jeonbuk-do

5. Event Regulations

5.1. GENERAL

World Climbing Asia Series Gunsan shall include categories:

1. for the disciplines of Boulder and Speed
2. for both Male and Female competitors; and
3. for the following age groups;

Only competitors who are or will be at least 17 years of age in the year of the competition shall be eligible to compete.

5.2. FORMAT

AC Boulder	Quota	Corresponding Format
Qualification	-	WC Boulder Qualification
Semi-final	24	WC Boulder Semi-final
Final	8	WC Boulder Final

If less than 36 competitors are registered after the registration deadline in the Boulder discipline, this category shall be organised with only two (2) rounds, a Qualification and Final. The fixed quota for the final round shall remain unchanged.

AC Speed	Quota	Corresponding Format
Qualification	-	WC Speed Qualification
Final	16/8/4	WC Speed Final

5.3. FEES

Registration fees shall be paid upon Confirmation of Attendance by **Cash**:

Team Official Registration Fee	USD 20 per competitor per discipline
Competitor Registration Fee	USD 30 per competitor per discipline

An appeal fee may only be charged if an appeal is unsuccessful. Appeals Fees will be invoiced by the WORLD CLIMBING directly to the Member Federation and shall be paid to the WORLD CLIMBING before the date specified on the invoice:

Appeal Fee	USD 100

6. Logistics

6.1. Visa and Travels

If you need invitations for visa, please contact **Jaehyun LEE, kockaf@kaf.or.kr** no later than 1 month prior to the competition. We need all the information shown in the following table from all team members to send you an invitation letter. Please send the information all together in one table and also add passport copies.

Name (First/Last)	Date of birth	Nationality	Passport Number	Expiration date	Position

6.2. Accommodation

To proceed with a reservation, please send an inquiry email directly to the designated hotel representative listed below, explicitly mentioning that you are a participant of the event. Web-based bookings via hotel websites are not eligible for this discount.

6.2.1. Suggested hotels:

Please access the following link to check the list of available hotels.

Ramada Gunsan
https://www.ramadagunsan.com
Manager. Narar PARK
Email: rsv@ramadagunsan.com

Best Western
https://www.gunsanhotel.co.kr
Manager: Pu Ruem KIM
Email: prkim@ohmckorea.com

AVON Hotel Gunsan
https://www.avonhotel.co.kr
Manager: Henry PARK
Email: hspark@avonhotel.co.kr

6.3. Transport

Free shuttle:
A dedicated shuttle service from Incheon / Gimpo International Airport to Gunsan will be provided for participating teams. Upon arrival in Gunsan, all athletes and team members will be dropped off directly at their respective official accommodations.

Free shuttle:

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Time	Airport -> Gunsan (Oct 26)	Airport -> Gunsan (Oct 27)	Airport -> Gunsan (Oct 28)	Airport -> Gunsan (Oct 29)	Gunsan -> Airport (Oct 30)	Gunsan -> Airport (Oct 31)	Gunsan -> Airport (Nov 01)	Gunsan -> Airport (Nov 02)
09:00						3 (Hotel -> Incheon) 3 (Hotel -> Gimpo -> Incheon)		3(Hotel -> Gimpo -> Incheon)
12:00	1 (Incheon T1)	1 (Incheon T1)	1 (Incheon T1)	1 (Incheon T1)				
12:30	1 (Incheon T2)	1 (Incheon T2)	1 (Incheon T2)	1 (Incheon T2)				
16:00	2 (Incheon T1, Gimpo 1)	2 (Incheon T1, Gimpo 1)		2 (Incheon T1, Gimpo 1)				
16:30	1 (Incheon T2)	1 (Incheon T2)		1 (Incheon T2)				
18:00			1 (Incheon T1)					
18:30			1 (Incheon T2)					
19:00			1 (Gimpo)	1 (Gimpo)				
20:00	2 (Incheon T1, Gimpo 1)	2 (Incheon T1, Gimpo 1)		1 (Incheon T1)			1 bus(Venue ->Gimpo ->Incheon)	
20:30	1 (Incheon T2)	1 (Incheon T2)		1 (Incheon T2)				
21:00					2 (Venue -> Incheon Airport)			

Airport Shuttle – Hotel Drop-off

At the airport, one of the staffs will be standing with banners and pickets.
Seat reservations are not available for the shuttles, and boarding will be on a first-come, first-served basis. If a shuttle is full, passengers will need to take the next scheduled vehicle.
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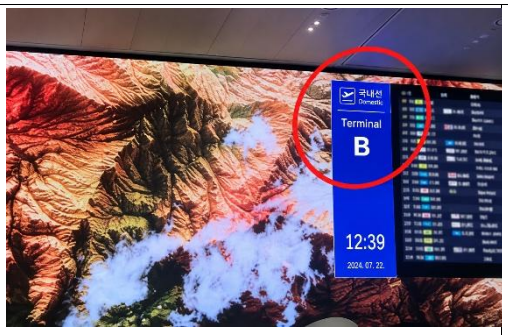
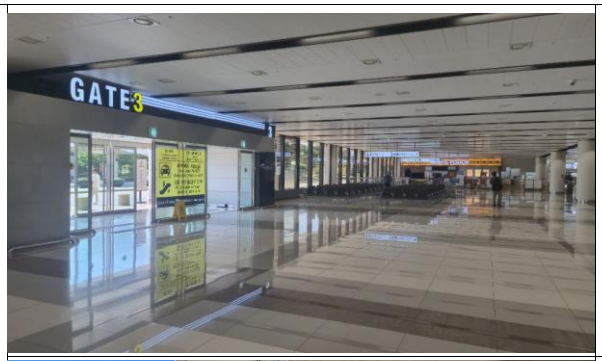
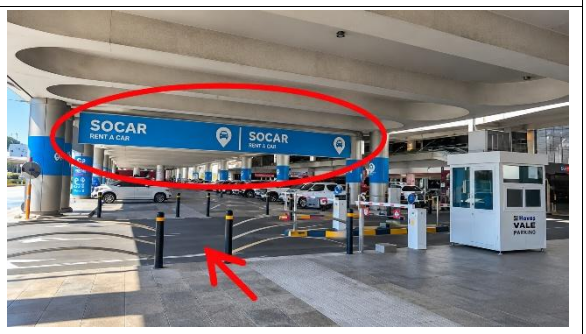
Incheon Terminal 1

Meeting Point & Bus Boarding Area		

Incheon Terminal 2

Meeting Point & Bus Boarding Area		

Gimpo Airport

Meeting Point & Bus Boarding Area		
		

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Hotel and Venue Shuttle Schedule

Gunsan (Para & Asia)				
Internal Shuttle (Hotel -> Venue)				
Time	**Oct 29**	**Oct 30**	**Oct 31**	**Nov 01**
5:20				3
6:10	3			
6:20			3	
6:30	3			
12:10		3		
12:30		3		
13:00			3	
Internal Shuttle (Venue -> Hotel)				
13:00			3	
17:10	3			
17:20	3			
19:00			3	3
19:30		3		
19:40		3		

* Note: "3" indicates 1 shuttle assigned to each hotel.

* The schedule above is subject to change based on local conditions.

By bus:

From Incheon International Airport (ICN)

Direct buses operate from Incheon International Airport Terminal 1 and Terminal 2 to Gunsan Intercity Bus Terminal.

- Travel Time: Approximately 2 hours 40 minutes–3 hours
- Frequency: Multiple departures throughout the day
- Arrival: Gunsan Intercity Bus Terminal
- Event Venue: Approximately 15 minutes by car

From Gimpo International Airport (GMP)

There is no direct intercity bus from Gimpo Airport to Gunsan.

Passengers should first travel to Seoul Express Bus Terminal (Central City Terminal) and then take an express bus to Gunsan.

- Travel Time (Seoul → Gunsan): Approximately 3 hours
- Frequency: About every 20–30 minutes throughout the day.
- https://www.kobus.co.kr

By plane:
There are no scheduled domestic flights connecting Incheon International Airport or Gimpo International Airport directly with Gunsan Airport. Although Gunsan Airport operates domestic services, it currently serves Jeju (CJU) only.

Participants arriving by air would need to transfer via Jeju, which is not recommended for travel to Gunsan due to the longer travel time and additional flight connection.

By train:
From Incheon International Airport

1. Take the AREX (Airport Railroad Express) to Seoul Station, or an airport limousine bus to Gwangmyeong Station.
2. Take a KTX to Iksan Station.
3. Transfer to a local train (Mugunghwa/Saemaul) or local bus to Gunsan Station.

From Gimpo International Airport

1. Travel to Seoul Station.
2. Take a KTX to Iksan Station.
3. Transfer to a local train or bus to Gunsan Station.
    - Total Travel Time: Approximately 3.5–4.5 hours
    - Gunsan Station → Event Venue: Approximately 15 minutes by car.

6.4. Travel information

Participants can travel within Gunsan by city bus or taxi. Public transportation provides convenient access to the competition venue, hotels, Gunsan Station, and the Intercity Bus Terminal.

City Bus
Gunsan operates an extensive city bus network serving major areas throughout the city.

- Cash and transportation cards (T-money, etc.) are accepted.
- Route information and real-time bus arrival information are available through the major navigation applications.
- Participants are encouraged to use Naver Map or KakaoMap for English route guidance and real-time public transportation information.

Taxi
Taxis are readily available throughout Gunsan and can be hailed on the street or booked through taxi applications.
The current standard taxi fare (effective from 1 August 2023) is:

- Base fare: KRW 4,300 (first 2 km)
- Additional fare:
    - KRW 100 per 134 m, or
    - KRW 100 per 32 seconds when travelling below 15 km/h
- Late-night surcharge (00:00–04:00): 20%

6.5. Accreditations

Teams will be provided with their accreditation. Team Managers are requested to collect the badges for their entire team and distribute them accordingly.

6.6. Tickets

Entrance to all competitions (Qualification and Finals) will be free of charge. No tickets are needed.

7. Medical information

7.1. General information

Emergency local doctor during the event: The medical team will be on-site from the opening of the isolation zone until the end of the final competition. In addition to the emergency doctor, there will be a team of paramedics at the venue during the competition.

Emergency Numbers:
Fire Department: 119
Police: 112

Nearest Hospital:
Donggunsan Hospital
(54033) jeonlabugdo gunsansi jochonlo 149(jochondong 671-13)