

# 2012 Joint Conference

## *Satellites in the Service of Humanity*

September 24-27, 2012 - The Westin Ottawa - Ottawa, Canada

### Venue

The 2012 Joint Conference will take place at the **Westin Ottawa Hotel, 11 Colonel By Drive, Ottawa, ON, Canada.**

The Westin Ottawa is an hotel conveniently located in downtown Ottawa. Nearby places of interest include the adjoining [Rideau Centre Shopping Mall](#), [Byward Market](#), [National Arts Centre](#) and [Rideau Canal](#) (very popular for jogging). Other points of interest are [Parliament Hill](#), [National Gallery](#), National War Memorial and Confederation Park.

Please visit the hotel web site [www.westin.com/ottawa](http://www.westin.com/ottawa) for information on the hotel facilities and amenities. For reservations at the special conference rates, please use the special event [web site](#)

### About Ottawa

Nestled on the banks of the majestic Ottawa, Rideau and Gatineau Rivers, Ottawa is one of the most beautiful G8 capitals in the world. A thriving international technology and business centre and world-class tourism and convention destination, Ottawa is also rich in culture and heritage with its many national institutions, parklands, waterways and historic architecture. It is home to a large number of foreign embassies and is a recognized centre for both academics and professional training with four universities in the region. The city offers an open and welcoming environment to cultures from around the world, providing service in English, French, and a host of other languages. The city's residents enjoy an enviable quality of life that is recognized around the world. **To learn more about Ottawa, visit <http://www.ottawatourism.ca>**  
**Photo gallery at: <http://www.ottawatourism.ca/en/photo-gallery>**

### Transportation/Parking facilities

#### Airport

The preferred airport for The Westin Ottawa is the Ottawa Macdonald-Cartier International Airport (YOW) - 11.5 km / 7.2 mi.

- *Transportation from/to Airport:*

- *Public Transit ( [OC Transpo](#) )*

Information: 613-741-4390

Cash Fares (exact change only, \$3.25)

Bus Route 97 departs from Post 14 outside the level 1 Arrivals area and stops at the Westin Ottawa Hotel.

Bus tickets are available at the Ground Transportation Desk located on level 1 at the centre door of the Arrivals area.

- *Taxi Service (always available in the arrival area)*

Dispatch: 613-523-1234

Fare: \$29 average to downtown

Accessible vehicles are available upon request.

- *Limousine Service (on demand)*

Airport service: 613-523-1560

Toll-free number: 1-888-901-6222

#### Parking

Guests of the hotel can valet park their cars in a paying garage (daily charge 36.16 US\$). In addition, the hotel provides handicapped parking.

## **Area Information**

Within a 5 minute walk:

- Rideau Canal
- Rideau Centre Shopping Mall
- National War Memorial
- National Arts Centre
- Byward Market
- Confederation Park
- Major's Hill Park
- Bytown Museum

- Within a 15 minute walk:

- Parliament Hill
- National Gallery of Canada
- University of Ottawa
- Supreme Court of Canada
- Royal Canadian Mint

Within a 30 minute walk:

- Canadian Museum of Civilization
- Museum of Nature
- Strathcona Park
- Canadian War Museum

Also of interest:

- Gatineau Park
- Casino Lac Leamy
- Science and Technology Museum
- Museum of Agriculture
- Canada Space and Aviation Museum
- Rideau Hall

## **Useful Links**

Ottawa Airport [www.ottawa-airport.ca](http://www.ottawa-airport.ca)

The City of Ottawa [ottawa.com/main\\_e.shtml](http://ottawa.com/main_e.shtml)

National Capital Region [www.canadascapital.gc.ca](http://www.canadascapital.gc.ca)