

Dear IAG friends

DFDL are delighted to be able to host an IAG meeting. As you know, we have offices across ASEAN countries but, in conjunction with the Board and following some informal views from members, we decided that Bangkok would be the ideal location for IAG's first meeting of 2018, continuing the series of Asian and Pacific locations since 2013.

Thailand and its capital Bangkok are fascinating places. Unlike the rest of the region, Thailand was never colonised by European powers, so the unique Thai culture survives as a strong and independent one, with a very successful globalised commercial life alongside it. You will see some highlights during the Assembly programme, and of course some of you may want to stay on in Bangkok, or go north to the hills or to the beach.

We've chosen the Peninsula Hotel as the base for the Assembly. It has probably the best location in Bangkok, and is designed to take full advantage of that, with every room having a superb view over the river Chao Phraya, which is really the city's main artery.

We've planned a programme with most of the events along the river, and you can see the details in the attached programme. That means we're able to use the river for almost all the transport, which is ideal because until mid-evening, Bangkok traffic is unpredictable. But note 'until mid-evening', so the late night team will have the whole of Bangkok to explore!

We'll be happy to help you plan to extend your stay in Thailand, or to answer any questions about Bangkok itself.

It will be a fabulous and luxurious few days. We look forward to seeing you all in February.

Yours sincerely



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