

33rd Annual Convention and Technical Symposium International Loran Association

**Takanawa Prince Hotel Sakura Tower, Tokyo, Japan
October 25-27 2004**



The International Loran Association is planning the largest dedicated Loran conference of the year. The conference agenda provides a business and technical program that integrates all aspects of the expanding Loran industry. Join us in Tokyo, Japan and get the latest information on this growing and dynamic field.

About the Symposium

In order to augment or back-up GPS, the performance, integrity and operations of existing LORAN-C systems are being enhanced in several areas of the world. In the United States, the long-awaited completion of the Loran Evaluation was realized with the submittal of two documents on March 31, 2004: a Technical Evaluation from the FAA and USCG, and a Benefit Analysis for Volpe National Transportation Center. The Department of Transportation plans to make their decision public this summer. In Europe, there are significant movements within the context of the European Radionavigation Plan and individual national initiatives to expand Loran service and to find a successor to NELS. In Asia, several countries are considering expansion of service and capabilities, and keeping a watchful eye on technical developments worldwide. ILA 33 in Tokyo will bring key players from these programs together in what is expected to be one of the most vibrant Loran conferences ever.

The 33rd Annual ILA convention will include sessions on all aspects of LORAN-C with an emphasis on topics relating to eLoran. Papers are invited and are especially welcome on system and governmental policy, operational doctrine, applications, and new receiver and transmitter technology.

Location, Location, Location

The convention will be held at the beautiful Takanawa Prince Hotel Sakura Tower which opened in October 1998. This luxurious hotel offers a wide range of excellent services and facilities within an all-season resort ambience. In the spring, pink cherry blossoms can be seen from every guest room. In the fall, the colorful autumn leaves shower the walkways. In the winter, the snow-mantled archways, trees and garden steps provide an air of complete tranquility.

Offering exceptional levels of comfort in a formal Japanese garden setting, the Sakura Tower is specifically designed for the International guest.

