

All travellers to Australia, other than Australian and New Zealand citizens, **must** hold a valid visa or electronic travel authority (ETA). It is your responsibility to ensure documentation is correct and completed before you commence your journey. Delegates **must register for the event before lodging their visa/ETA application**. Following your registration, you will receive an acknowledgement letter. This is all you require from the event manager in order to make your visa/ETA application. We recommend you apply for your visa at least six to eight weeks before your intended date of travel to Australia (or two weeks if you are from an [ETA](#) or [eVisitor](#) eligible country) as visa processing times may vary. If attending the conference is your primary purpose of visiting Australia, you are usually considered a **business visitor**.

How to apply:

1. Before lodging an application you should determine which visa you should apply for:
  - [ETA](#)
  - [eVisitor](#)
  - [Visitor subclass 600 Business stream](#)

Or use The Australian Department of Immigration 'Find a Visa' tool, by [clicking here](#).

2. Determine whether you are [eligible to apply online](#) for an eVisitor visa or ETA.
3. If you are not eligible to apply online, you may lodge a paper-based visa application.

In order to obtain assistance on this process, and find the Australian visa office nearest to your current country of residence please [click here](#).

If you are unsure and you need more information, please contact your nearest [Australian Embassy/Consulate](#) or view the Australian Department of Immigration website [www.homeaffairs.gov.au](http://www.homeaffairs.gov.au).

## Invitation letter

It is our policy not to provide invitation letters, as they are not required for visa applications. The Australian Department of Home Affairs has advised that in relation to conferences or other events:

- Registration does not guarantee a visa grant to an applicant.

- Where the Event Organiser has provided the Australian authorities with participant lists (which they will), it will not be necessary to request a “letter of invitation” from such individuals.
- Visa applicants should read information on visitor visa processing and requirements on the website: [www.homeaffairs.gov.au](http://www.homeaffairs.gov.au).