All international delegates are responsible for arranging their own travel documentation. Most visitors to Australia will require a valid visa to enter the country.

How to Apply

Applying for your Australian visa is straightforward and can be done through **official Australian Government channels**.

Visit the Department of Home Affairs website: immi.homeaffairs.gov.au

Popular visa options for conference delegates include:

eVisitor (subclass 651)
Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) (subclass 601)
Visitor visa (subclass 600)

Request a letter of invitation for your visa application – see section below.

Use the online system **ImmiAccount** to submit your application and upload supporting documents.

Tips for a Smooth Application

Apply early: Allow plenty of time. We recommend international delegates apply **at least 6– 8 weeks before travel**.
Prepare documents:
Ensure your passport is valid for at least six months beyond your travel date.
We recommend your registration details for the Congress (first name, surname and email address) exactly match those that you will enter on your visa application.
Include supporting information:
You may need a copy of your HAPS Regional Meeting registration confirmation, accommodation details, and financial details.
To receive a Letter of Invitation to the HAPS Regional Meeting, you can request a letter of invitation by emailing info@hapsconnect.org
Check eligibility:
Requirements vary by nationality.
Confirm visa types and processing times on the official website.
Monitor your application:
Use your ImmiAccount to track progress and provide additional documents if requested.

Letters of Invitation for Visa Applications

When assessing whether you meet the criteria for the grant of a visa, the Department of Home Affairs may take into account whether you are registered or were invited to attend the event. Confirmation of registration, or a copy of your letter of invitation, should accompany visa applications. For online subclass 400 and subclass 600 applications, information about documents that need to be attached will be provided as part of the application process.

There are two ways to receive your letter of invitation:

Complete your online registration for the Congress (and your letter will be issued automatically as part of the registration confirmation process).
Request a letter of invitation here.

Things to Consider before Lodging an application

Entering and Leaving Australia

Travellers should familiarise themselves with Australia's border and entry requirements. For further information, see 'Entering and leaving Australia'.

Biometrics

Visa applicants outside of Australia will need to provide biometrics when they apply for a visa that is part of the Australian biometrics program, or where they are from a country, or located in a country at time of application that is part of the Australian biometrics program. For information regarding Australia's biometric program including visas and countries that are part of the program, please see 'Biometrics'.