



**Your Essential Travel Guide to Dubai for
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THE SURGERY OF OBESITY AND METABOLIC DISORDERS**

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Dear Delegates,

Dubai as a city is evolving at a remarkable pace and business tourism and leisure offerings are growing exponentially. The vibrant and dynamic city will host IFSO 2018 from 26 – 29th September and the organising committee look forward to welcome all the international delegates.

We would like to highlight, through a series of mailings, essential information about getting to Dubai and about the facilities this city offers. We will start with one of the main concerns of a traveller - **Visa's**



CITIZENS OF THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES DO NOT REQUIRE ADVANCE VISA ARRANGEMENTS TO ENTER THE UAE AND CAN OBTAIN A VISA UPON ARRIVAL FOR 90 DAYS:

France	Iceland	Italy	Norway	Holland
Germany	Sweden	Austria	Finland	Liechtenstein
Belgium	Greece	Luxembourg	Poland	Switzerland
Estonia	Portugal	Malta	Spain	Cyprus
Denmark	Croatia	Slovenia	Romania	Slovakia
Bulgaria	Czech Republic	Hungary	Lithuania	Latvia

Indian citizens in possession of a valid US visa (green card or student visa) can apply for 14-day visa on arrival at the airport.

CITIZENS OF THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES DO NOT REQUIRE ADVANCE VISA ARRANGEMENTS TO ENTER THE UAE AND CAN OBTAIN A VISA UPON ARRIVAL FOR 30 DAYS WITH A 10-DAY GRACE PERIOD:

Andorra	China	Malaysia	Singapore
Australia	Hong Kong	Monaco	South Korea
Brunei	Ireland	New Zealand	The Vatican
Canada	Japan	San Marino	United States
United Kingdom	Russia		



FOR ALL OTHER NATIONALITIES

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United Arab emirates has a very simple Visa Processing system in place. You do not need to make trips to local embassies or consulates. Visa processing happens in Dubai. MCI and it's partners will assist you in getting visas for you and your family to enter Dubai. We'll ask you to send a simple list of documents after you have registered to attend the conference. The documents that will be required are the following.

1. Visa Form - Personal Details
2. Front Page Passport Copy (Colored)
3. Passport Size Photograph with White Background

There may be slightly more documentation and /or time limits for nationals of some countries. If you'd like more information about your status, send us an email at ifso2018@mci-group.com and we'll revert back as soon as possible



"I want Dubai to be number one. Not in the region, but in the world... Number one in everything, higher education, health, housing,"

His Highness Shaikh Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice-President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai



DID YOU KNOW?

Dubai is home to more than

200
different nationalities