Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform LCIPP Pacific Regional Gathering – Visa Application Guidelines

For the 2023 LCIPP Pacific Regional Gathering, participants travelling internationally will be required to create an ImmiAccount on the Australian Department of Home Affairs website.

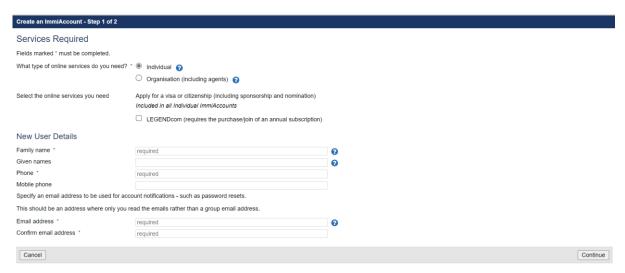
Applying for a VISA (suggest using Google Chrome web browser if possible)

1. Create an Individual ImmiAccount account

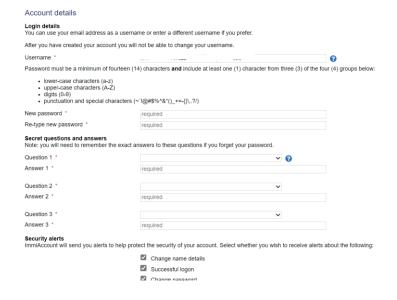
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To create an individual ImmiAccount select Create an ImmiAccount 7.

2. Fill in the required details and click continue (bottom right corner).



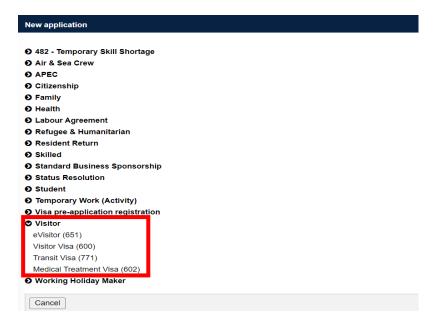
3. Create a password, set up security questions, and click submit (bottom right corner).



- 4. Once an ImmiAccount has been created, you will need to confirm your ImmiAccount address by clicking the confirmation link received in your email inbox shortly after clicking submit.
- 5. You should now be able to see the following home screen. Click on 'New application' (see red box below).



- 6. This will take you to the below page. If you are a participant, attendee or speaker that will not be working, performing or otherwise be paid to contribute at the event*, you may be eligible for the 'Visitor' visa options (see red box below). This includes representatives of NGOs, IGOs, and Governments. Specifically, you may be eligible for one of the following (click each link for more information).
 - a. Visitor (subclass 600)(Business stream) visa.
 - i. Suitable for participants from any country (including the Pacific Region).
 - ii. Participants who are acting as a representative of a foreign government may be eligible for a waiver of the visa application charges under this visa type. Supporting evidence will be required.
 - b. eVisitor (subclass 651)(Business Stream) visa.
 - i. Suitable for participants from Europe (see eligible passports).
 - ii. Note there is no associated fee with this visa.



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- 7. Fill in your personal application details.
 - a. When you reach the **Principal business activity in Australia** page in the application, please input the following information

Principal business activity in Australia

Intended business activity: Meetings

Details of Activity: Pacific Regional Gathering

Location of conference or meeting: Sheraton Grand Mirage Resort. 168-190

Port Douglas Rd, Port Douglas, QLD 4877, Australia.

Date from: 16 October 2023

Date to: 20 October 2023

Organisation: Indigenous Peoples Organisation – Australia

Country: Australia

Address: 55 Pyrmont Bridge Road

Suburb/Town: Pyrmont

State/Territory: Sydney, NSW

Postcode: 2099

Contact Person Details

Family name: Eatock

Given names: Cathryn

Position: Co-Chair, Indigenous Peoples Organisation - Australia

Contact telephone numbers

Phone: leave blank as information is not required Mobile: leave blank as information is not required

Electronic communication

Email address: admin@ipoa.org.au

b. Continue filling out your application including attachments

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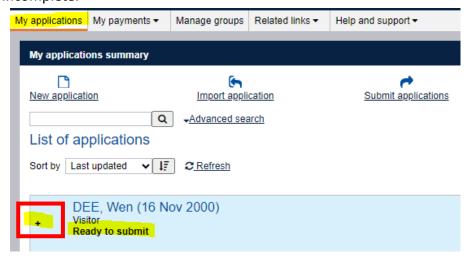
- 8. **Biometrics and biodata** if you are requested to provide biometric data for your visa application, which may involve the requirement to travel, please follow the below steps.
 - a. On the 'Attach documents' page of your visa application, the below pop-up should appear if you have not provided all requested information.

Providing supporting evidence	ce
Not all required evidence has been provided. The depart strongly recommends that all required evidence be provi- submitting to assist in processing the application.	
Explain why evidence cannot be provided at this time*	
If the applicant chooses to exit the application without su and does not return to access the application within 30 d associated attachments will be deleted.	
Cancel	Confirm
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- b. In the text box provided, we recommend participants write the following justification: 'I am attending the UNFCCC Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Pacific Regional Gathering. I have been advised by the event organisers to request my biometric information requirements are waived due to the short time until the event is hosted and complications in arranging additional travel prior to the Gathering.'
- c. Please include written justification for other documents and information you may not have been able to provide.
- d. If you complete the above, you should not need to provide biometric data, or undertake any additional travel.

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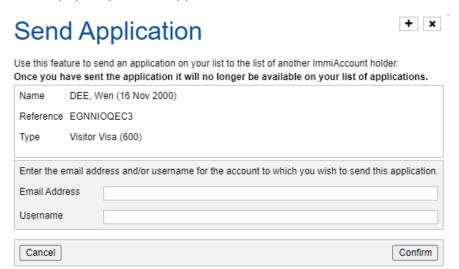
9. Once the application for a 'Visitor (subclass 600)(Business stream) visa' has been completed up to the 'submit now' button, return to the 'My applications' tab. This tab will list your application – the status of your application needs to be Ready to submit or incomplete.



- a. Click the + sign on the left side of the relevant application. This will expand the available options.
- b. Select the 'send' option (highlighted below), which will open the send application screen.



c. Input unfcccinclusion@dcceew.gov.au into the email address and click on the 'confirm' button. This will send your application to the Australian Government to pay for your visa application fee.



- d. Once the Australian Government has paid for your visa application fee, the application will be returned to you.
- e. Submit form for processing.

Technical support

If you are still unable to send the application to the unfcccinclusion@dcceew.gov.au account for payment, please lodge a lmmiAccount Technical Support Form (homeaffairs.gov.au) to escalate the issue. Please also email unfcccinclusion@dcceew.gov.au about the issue so we can ask for the case to be prioritised.

Alternative means of payment

If you have difficulty with the above payment steps, another option is to use BPAY from the payment screen. This will require the applicant to progress the application to payment section and select BPAY. The system will then generate an invoice which can be sent to unfcccinclusion@dcceew.gov.au for payment. The payment must be received within 3 days otherwise the application will not be accepted and a new application will be required.

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