Visa Requirements for International Delegates Traveling to the United States

Please read the information below to understand if you need to apply for a visa to attend the Plenary 2 event. The Plenary 2 organisers can provide a visa invitation letter if expressly required. Please send an email with all the details that you need included in the letter and include Vista Invitation Letter in the subject of your email to plenary@lists.rd-alliance.org

Visa Waiver Program (VWP) – You must be a citizen or national of VWP-participant country. The following 37 countries are Visa Waiver Program participants:

Andorra
Australia
Austria
Belgium
Brunei
Czech Republic
Denmark
Estonia
Finland
France
Germany
Greece
Hungary
Iceland
Ireland
Italy
Japan
Latvia
Liechtenstein
Lithuania
Luxembourg
Malta
Monaco
New Zealand
Norway
Portugal
San Marino
Singapore
Slovakia
Slovenia
South Korea
Spain
Sweden
Switzerland
Taiwan (see note below)
the Netherlands
United Kingdom
With respect to all references to “country” or “countries” on this page, it should be noted that the Taiwan Relations Act of 1979, Pub. L. No. 96-8, Section 4(b)(1), provides that “whenever the laws of the United States refer or relate to foreign countries, nations, states, governments, or similar entities, such terms shall include and such laws shall apply with respect to Taiwan.” 22 U.S.C. § 3303(b)(1). Accordingly, all references to “country” or “countries” in the Visa Waiver Program authorizing legislation, Section 217 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. 1187, are read to include Taiwan. This is consistent with the United States’ one-China policy, under which the United States has maintained unofficial relations with Taiwan since 1979.

Additionally, citizens of Canada and Bermuda traveling for visitor visa purposes don’t need a visa, with some exceptions.

For countries that do NOT participate in the Visa Waiver Program, the Visa application process can differ based on U.S. relations with a particular country. The following website provides a link to all U.S. Embassies and Consulates throughout the world:

http://www.usembassy.gov

Each embassy will have a “Visa” link with instructions/requirements for obtaining a Visa for travel to the United States.