

VISA INFORMATION

The 14th annual Shiparrested.com meeting will take place in St. Petersburg, Russia. In order to enter Russia, many of you will need a visa.

In this memo you will find basic information on the visa process.

Visa-free entry

Citizens of 38 countries and territories can enter Russia visa-free (note that maximum duration of stay varies anywhere between 14 and 90 days, depending on the country): Azerbaijan, Argentina, Armenia, Belarus, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Fiji, Guatemala, Honduras, Hong Kong, Israel, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Macau, FYR Macedonia*, Mauritius, Moldova, Mongolia, Montenegro, Nauru, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Seychelles, Serbia**, Tajikistan, Thailand, Uzbekistan, Ukraine, Uruguay, Vanuatu, Venezuela.

* original invitation required

** biometric passport required

Documents for Russian Visa

The following documents will always be required from all applicants, wherever they come from:

- Your *invitation*, which, depending on your country, will be required either as an original document that our hosts will send to you, or as a print-out of an electronic document.
- Your passport and its copy, valid for at least 6 months after the end of your visit to Russia;
- One, sometimes 2, identical color photos, size 3,5 x 4,5 cm;
- A completed visa application (you may find the electronic form at <https://visa.kdmid.ru/>, which you will then need to print out and sign);
- Insurance and its copy for every day of your stay

Invitation

Everyone who needs a visa to enter Russia will require an invitation issued by a person or **by tour operator from Russia**, who is registered with the Russian migration department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs. Invitation could be a tourist or Business (up to 90 days in a 180 period). For a short stay tourist invitation is more than enough, it is the easiest way to get a Russian visa. But do not forget that you will travel as a tourist.

Lex Navicus Concordia will assist all who attend the conference with an invitation.

To issue the invitation, we will need the following documents and information:

- A copy or photo of your passport;
- Information about your place of stay: your hotel (if it's already booked), dates of stay.

In addition, Russian migration authority treats a number of countries as «high migration risk» countries. If you are a citizen of one of these countries, *you will also need to provide:*

- hotel room booking and payment confirmation;
- tickets to and out of Russia.

The list of migration risk countries is unofficial and subject to constant change, which is why if you are unsure, you should check this with us. Generally, this list includes African, Asian, and some Central and South American countries.

Once everything is submitted, production of the invitation will take anywhere *between 1 or 3 days*, depending on your country of origin and a time difference.

As soon as you get your invitation make sure that your insurance covers Russian Federation. After that you can proceed to fill Visa application form.

Visa application

If you need a Russian visa to enter the country, you need to submit an application to the Russian consulate in your country. Russia requires different sets of documents from the citizens of different countries, which means that you need to check this with the Russian consulate in your country.

After that you should fill out the form at the <https://visa.kdmid.ru/>, print it, paste the photo, and sign up for the dates of visiting Consulate or visa center.

After providing all the necessary documents within 10 days your application will be considered and you will have a Russian visa.

*If you're not sure that you can fill the form correctly or if in need of an active insurance, you can obtain this additional service from our hosts at Lex Navicus Concordia (find contact info below and fill out the [form in link](#)).

Contact



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Our hosts at Lex Navicus Concordia will be happy to answer any general queries about the visa process and/or the conference.

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