Visa requirements

Citizens of almost all African countries require a visa to enter the United Kingdom. Currently, only individuals with passports issued by Botswana, Mauritius, Namibia, and Seychelles are exempt from this requirement.

Visas are not needed for travel to the United Kingdom by citizens of almost all European countries, Canada, Australia, Japan, and the United States, among other countries.

If you do need a visa please make sure to apply for one early to allow enough time to acquire it ahead of the conference. The following websites provide guidance from the University of Oxford and the British Home Office on the documents that must be submitted when submitting a Visitor visa application:

http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/personnel/permits/acvisitors/

https://www.gov.uk/standard-visitor-visa/documents-you-must-provide


Letters of invitation

The Organizing Committee is able to provide a letter of invitation for those requiring visas to visit the United Kingdom that can be presented with your visa application when you make this and that can be brought with you for presentation on arrival in Britain.

Potential problems

If you experience any difficulty with making your application you are welcome to contact the Organizing Committee, which will liaise with the University’s Staff Immigration Team to offer you further advice.

Healthcare costs

You should make sure that you have adequate insurance for the duration of your visit since non-European Union/European Economic Area/Swiss nationals are currently liable to pay the full cost of any medical treatment obtained while in the United Kingdom.