

VISA INFORMATION FOR INTERNATIONAL BDW 08 GUESTS

Below are some guidelines for VISA applications for all international guests. Please note that a successful VISA application can take up to 6 weeks to be processed and granted. To avoid disappointment please apply *at least 6-8 weeks* prior to your intended departure date.

If under unfortunate circumstances you are unable to attend *BDW: 2008* please contact YDPSA as soon as possible and withdraw your application from the Embassy.

★ COUNTRIES ELIGIBLE FOR AN ETA (ELECTRONIC TRAVEL AUTHORITY) VISA APPLICATION

If you hold a passport from the following countries, you are eligible to apply for an **ETA (Electronic Travel Authority) VISA:**

Andorra	Iceland	Portugal
Austria	Ireland	San Marino
Belgium	Italy	Singapore
Brunei	Japan	South Korea
Canada	Liechtenstein	Spain
Denmark	Luxembourg	Sweden
Finland	Malaysia	Switzerland
France	Malta	Taiwan *
Germany	Monaco	UK **
Greece	Netherlands	USA
Hong Kong (SAR)	Norway	Vatican City

* Taiwan passport holders can be processed for an ETA only if resident in and applying in Taiwan.

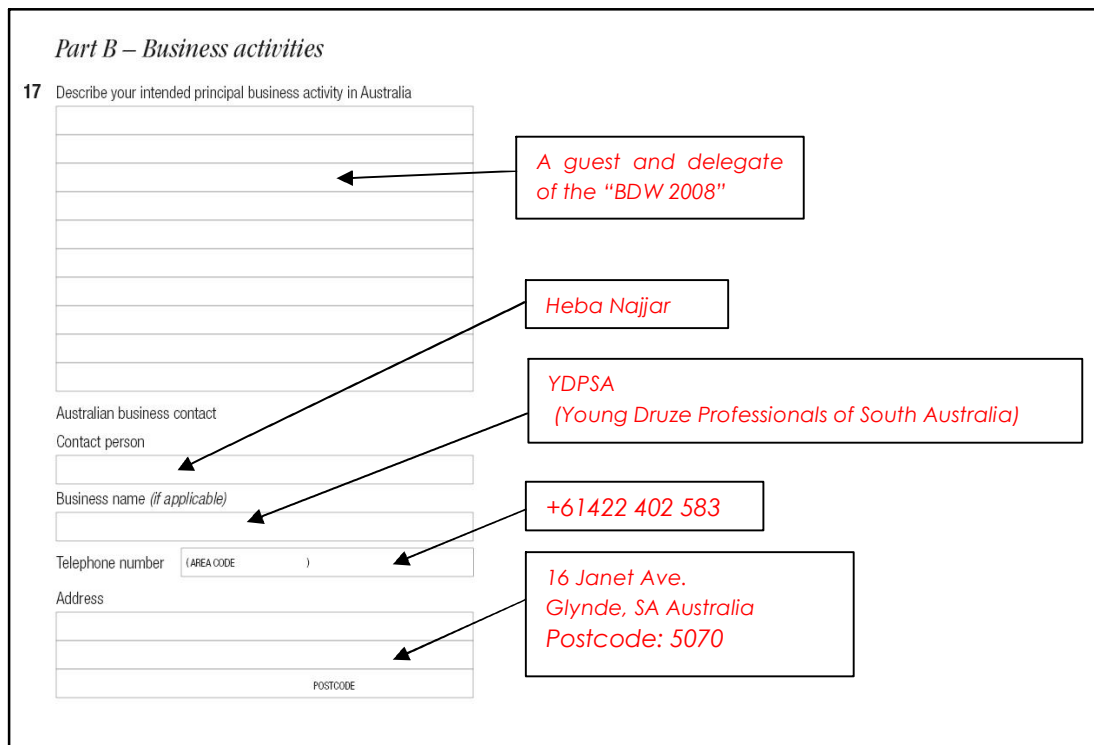
** UK (British National Overseas) passport holders can apply for an ETA only if resident in and applying in Hong Kong (SAR).

★ HOW TO APPLY FOR AN ETA:

- APPLY ONLINE: ETA is available on the internet at www.eta.immi.gov.au
(In most cases online visa processing takes 20 minutes with an internet service charge of AUD\$20.00)
- APPLY IN-PERSON: It is also possible to apply through participating airlines & travel agents overseas (a service charge may apply).
- BENEFITS: When applying with a ETA no stamp or label in the passport is required. No need to go to an Australian overseas VISA office.

★ **IF YOU ARE NOT A CITIZEN FROM ANY OF THE COUNTRIES ABOVE:**

- If you *do not* hold a passport for any of the above countries, then you will be required to apply for a **Subclass 456-Business (Short Stay) Visa**.
- A fee of approx AUD\$75.00 will be required to process your application.
- Please complete the attached application document **Form 456**
 - Note: Please provide the following information for *Part B* of the application, as indicated below, for consistent applications.



Part B – Business activities

17 Describe your intended principal business activity in Australia

A guest and delegate of the "BDW 2008"

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★ **CONTACT YDPSA ONCE YOUR VISA APPLICATION HAS BEEN SUBMITTED:**

On completion of either the **ETA** or **Form 456 VISA** please email the YDPSA (sa@druze.org.au) *immediately*, with the information below, to complete the application process and ensure the best outcome for your VISA approval:

- 1) First name & last name (as it appears in passport)
- 2) Date of Birth
- 3) Current Country of Residence
- 4) Country of passport
- 5) Passport Number
- 6) Passport expiry date

For more information contact YDPSA, your nearest Australian Embassy or visit <http://www.immi.gov.au/skilled/business/456/index.htm>