

TRAVEL GUIDE



OVERVIEW



Ethiopia, officially the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, is a captivating country nestled in the Horn of Africa, boasts a rich tapestry of history, diverse cultures, and breathtaking landscapes.

Addis Ababa (meaning 'New flower' in Amharic) is the capital of Ethiopia and a Hub of Africa as it is a seat for the African Union Commission (AUC), more than 20 UN agencies including the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA), the Pan-African chamber of commerce and industries and other many international and regional organizations; hence making Addis one of the top diplomatic cities in the world.

VISA REQUIREMENT

1. Click to the website
<https://www.evisa.gov.et/information/conferenceVisa>
2. Read general requirements
3. Go to Business Visa and select Workshop/Conference Visa - CV
4. Read the requirements for the workshop /conference visa
5. We will provide you invitation letter as per your request on abigyabefikadu@sseethio.org, hanan@sseethio.org

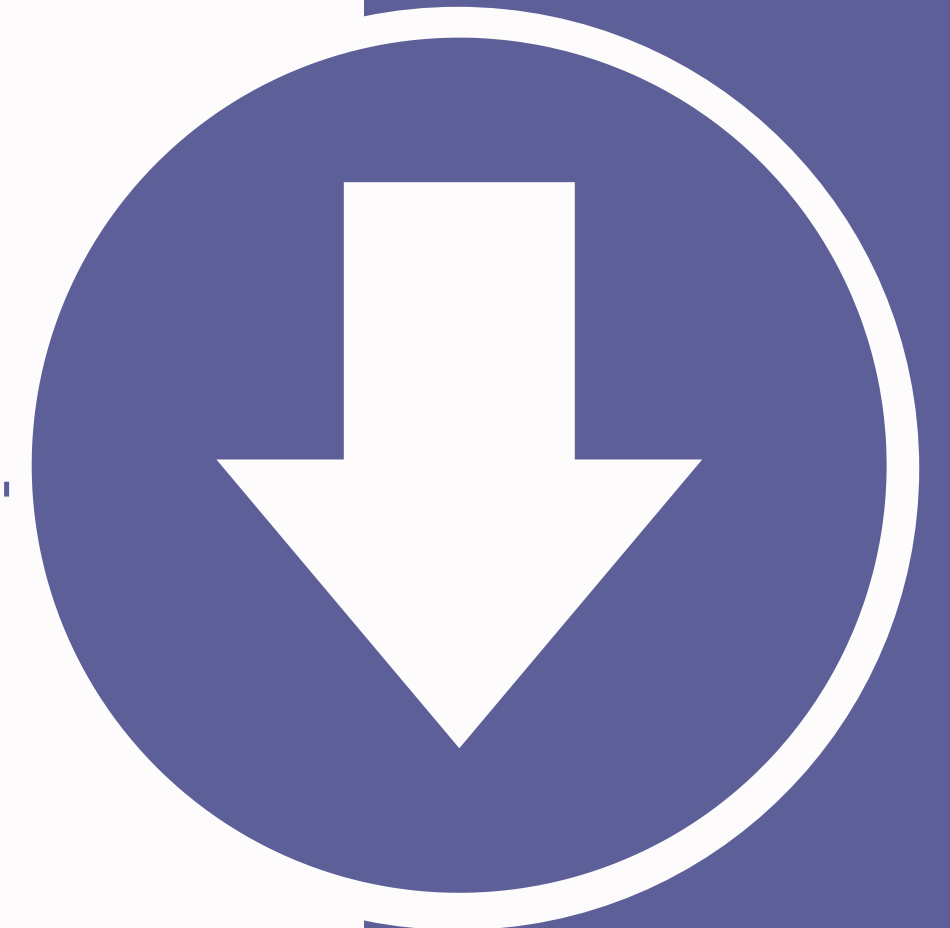
Note:

- Under normal circumstances, the processing time for Workshop/Conference Visa - CV is 3 days. So, travelers should submit their application at least 3 days before their estimated date of arrival
- The Validity of the Visa starts counting from the date intended to enter Ethiopia.
- For single entry 30-days conference visa, the application fee is 52 USD.
- Conference Visa cannot be extended.



STEPS FOR VISA

1. Click the link <https://www.evisa.gov.et/>
2. On the webpage, locate and click on the "Apply Now" button.
3. From the available visa categories, select the "Workshop/Conference Visa" option.
4. Choose "Single Entry" as the visa validity and set it to "30 days".
5. Enter the reference code "SU961459623298".
6. Read and mark the agreement checkbox, then click on the "Next" button.
7. Fill out the arrival information form and click on the "Next" button.
8. Fill out the personal information form and click on the "Next" button.
9. Fill out the passport information form and click on the "Next" button.
10. Review all the information you have entered. If any edits are needed, click on the "Previous" button to go back and make changes. If everything is correct, click on the "Next" button.
11. Prepare the necessary attachments (Copy of Passport, passport size Photo, and Invitation Letter) for upload, ensuring they meet the following restrictions:
 - The size of each image/document should be less than 2MB.
 - Photo and Passport Copy should be in JPEG, JPG, or PNG format only.
 - Allowed file type extensions are JPEG, JPG, PNG, and PDF formats.
 - The image/document should be clear and readable.
 - Images/documents with blurred or unclean backgrounds are not acceptable.
12. Click on the "Submit" button to complete your visa application.
13. To check your visa status, go back to the home page and locate the "Check Status" option.
14. Click on "Check Status".
15. Enter your passport number and reference number in the provided fields.
16. Click on the "Submit" button to check your visa status.



ACCOMMODATION

- Available hotels are listed on the surgical society of Ethiopia website <https://sseethio.org/hotel-rates/>
- You can also directly book on Ethiopian Skylight Hotel website with special discount for 23rd COSECOSA Scientific Conference and 27th Annual general meeting. Scan the QR code.



Scan Here

- Your hotel will provide transportation service from airport to your hotel
- SIM card will be provided at your hotel on arrival

TRANSPORTATION



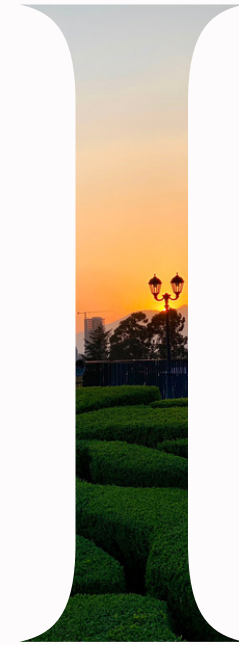
With a variety of options available, getting around Addis has never been easier. Meter taxis like **Ride** and **Feres** are readily available, ensuring fair pricing and convenient travel.

You can get their mobile application from the App Store or Play Store.





DISCOVER



Addis Ababa, the vibrant capital of Ethiopia, offers stunning parks, cultural restaurants, and architectural wonders like Trinity Church. Don't miss the National Museum with Lucy and Ardi, the oldest fossils on Earth. And for top-notch experience make sure to visit the luxurious Sheraton Addis Hotel, ranked among the top 100 luxury collection hotels.

WEATHER

The average temperature in Addis Ababa in December for a typical day ranges from a high of 74 °F (23°C) to a low of 44°F (6°C).





TIME ZONE

The time zone in Ethiopia is East Africa Time (EAT) (UTC+03:00).

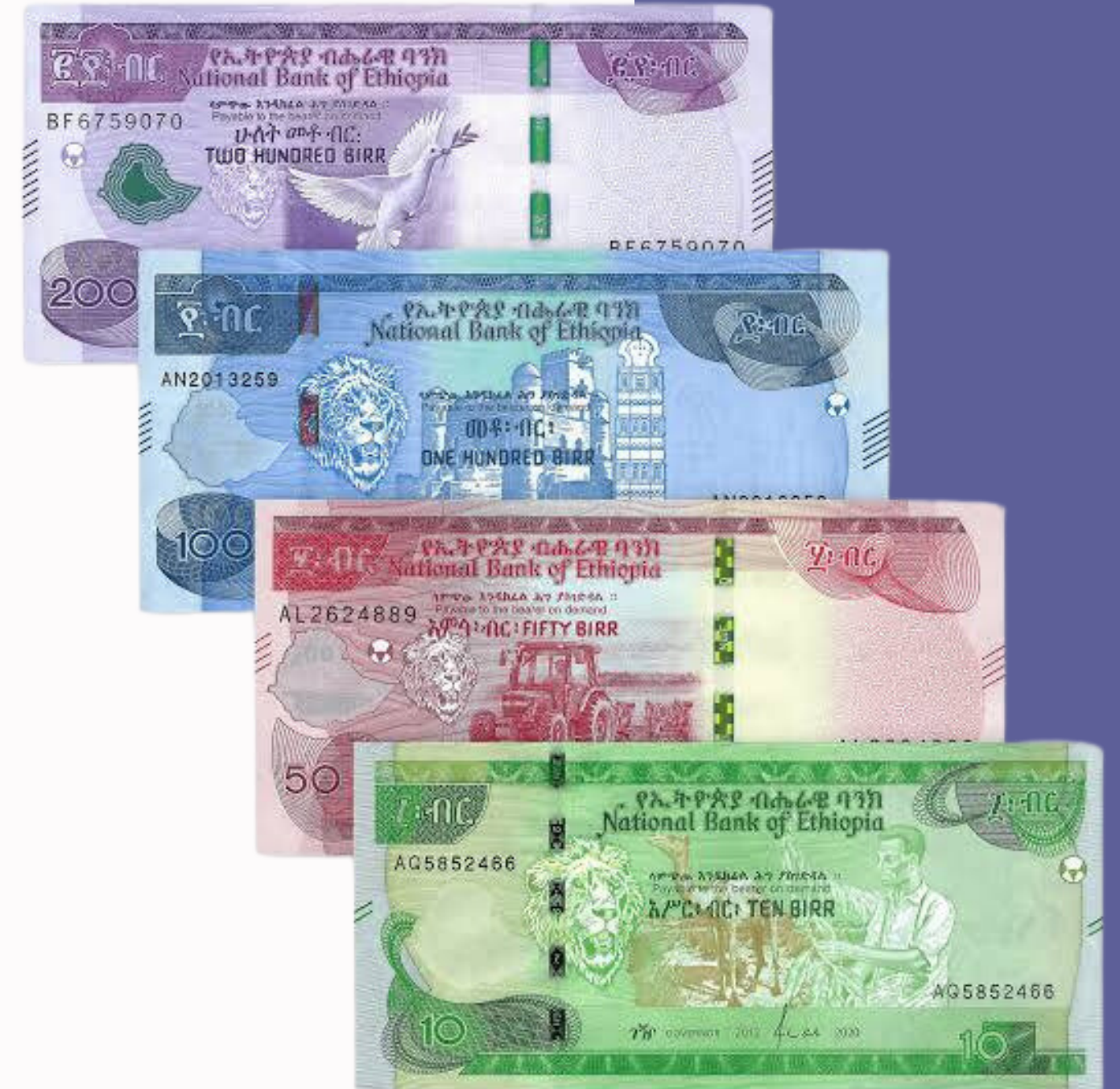
CURRENCY

The official currency of Ethiopia is Birr

Exchange Currency as of Sep 11, 2023;

- 1 USD ~ 55.32 ETB
- 1 EURO ~ 59.36 ETB

NB: Currency exchange is available on arrival at the airport or at any of Ethiopia's banks.



VACCINATION & HEALTH TIPS



Required Vaccination

Yellow fever – Please bring the yellow card with you.

Health Tips:

- Practice good hygiene
- Drink only bottled water
- Do not eat uncooked food
- If you are taking any prescribed medications, make sure you bring enough

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