

MELBOURNE

Welcomes you

Thank you for helping to promote the 2023 Melbourne Convention. This document contains basic information about the event and destination to assist with any questions you may receive.

HOC WEBSITE

The Host Organization Committee website contains additional information for prospective attendees and in time will be where touring and signature event details will be available.



To visit the site either scan the QR code to the left or visit www.rotarymelbourne2023.org

DATES

The Convention will start on Saturday 27 May and conclude on Wednesday 31 May 2023.

VENUES

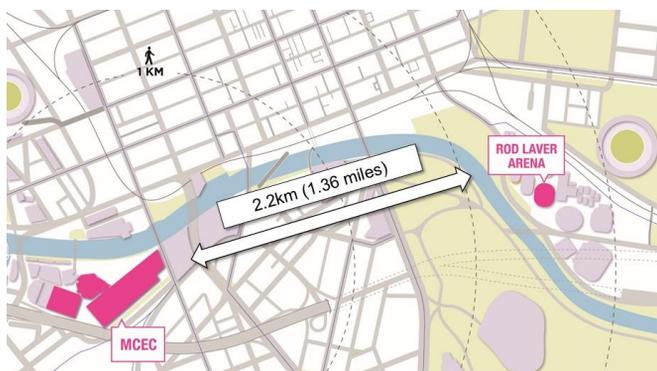
The Melbourne Convention will be held across two venues:

General Sessions

Rod Laver Arena, Melbourne Park

House of Friendship & Breakouts

Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre (MCEC)



ABOUT MELBOURNE

Melbourne is a stable, prosperous city and a gateway to the Asia-Pacific region. With its ease of navigation and temperate climate, visitors are drawn to Melbourne to explore its labyrinth of laneways and experience its innovative food and wine scene, thriving culture and year-round calendar of major events.

TRANSPORT

Attendees are encouraged to make use of Melbourne's public transport network to move between venues and navigate the city. The cost of this will be included in the registration fee. Shuttles will be provided for those who are unable to use public transport.

WEATHER

The average high temperature in May is 17°C / 62.6°F making a jacket or sweater necessary during the daytime hours. Overnight temperatures will fall to 10°C / 50°F.

VISAS

Other than New Zealand passport holders, all visitors to Australia need a valid visa. There are three types of visas available with online application processes:

- > Electronic Travel Authority ETA (subclass 601)
- > eVisitor (subclass 661)
- > Business visitor stream (subclass 600)

More information on these visas and their requirements can be found at

<https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-finder>

We currently do not know what COVID-19 restrictions will be in place for the 2023 Convention. For more information refer to:

<https://www.australia.gov.au/international-travel>

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GETTING HERE



Americas

More than 135 flights per week into Australian hubs Melbourne, Sydney or Brisbane.

UK & Europe

Transit through international hubs such as Dubai, Singapore, Hong Kong, Doha and Kuala Lumpur.

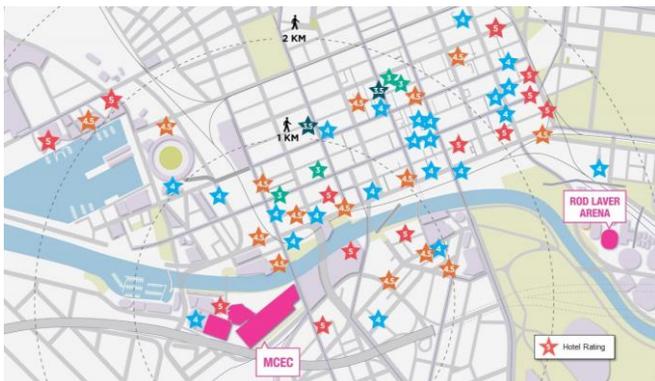
Asia

Melbourne is the gateway to the Asia Pacific region with over 300 flights per week.

Access to Melbourne's international airport is via the 24/7 Skybus with return trips starting from \$28.

ACCOMMODATION

Convention venues are located conveniently to city hotels.



Rotary's official housing website for the 2023 Convention in Melbourne will open on for bookings on **4 June 2022**: <http://www.riconvention.org>

TOURING

Around Melbourne itself are inspiring day trips to the Yarra Valley and Mornington Peninsula wine regions, the Great Ocean Road, the Penguin Parade at Phillip Island, historic Sovereign Hill and Healesville Sanctuary.

Further afield, Melbourne's airport offers easy access to attractions, including Sydney, Uluru (Ayer's Rock) in the outback, the Great Barrier Reef and the wonderful beach resorts of the Whitsunday Islands.

GOOD TO KNOW

- Australia has a decimal system with 100 cents to the dollar (\$AUD). Major credit cards including Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Bankcard, UnionPay, Diners Club and affiliates are widely accepted.
- Tipping is not customary in Australia and is at your discretion.
- In Australia the power plugs and sockets are of type I. The standard voltage is 230 V and the standard frequency is 50 Hz.
- Melbourne taxis are easy to spot and can either be booked, picked up from signposted ranks or hailed. Rideshare trips are available via apps with Uber, Ola and DiDi.