

**21ST WORLD
CONGRESS OF
ACCOUNTANTS**
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BUILDING TRUST ENABLING SUSTAINABILITY



WCOA2022

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18th to 21st November, 2022
Jio World Convention Centre, Mumbai, India

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**THE INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED
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HISTORY OF WORLD CONGRESS OF ACCOUNTANTS

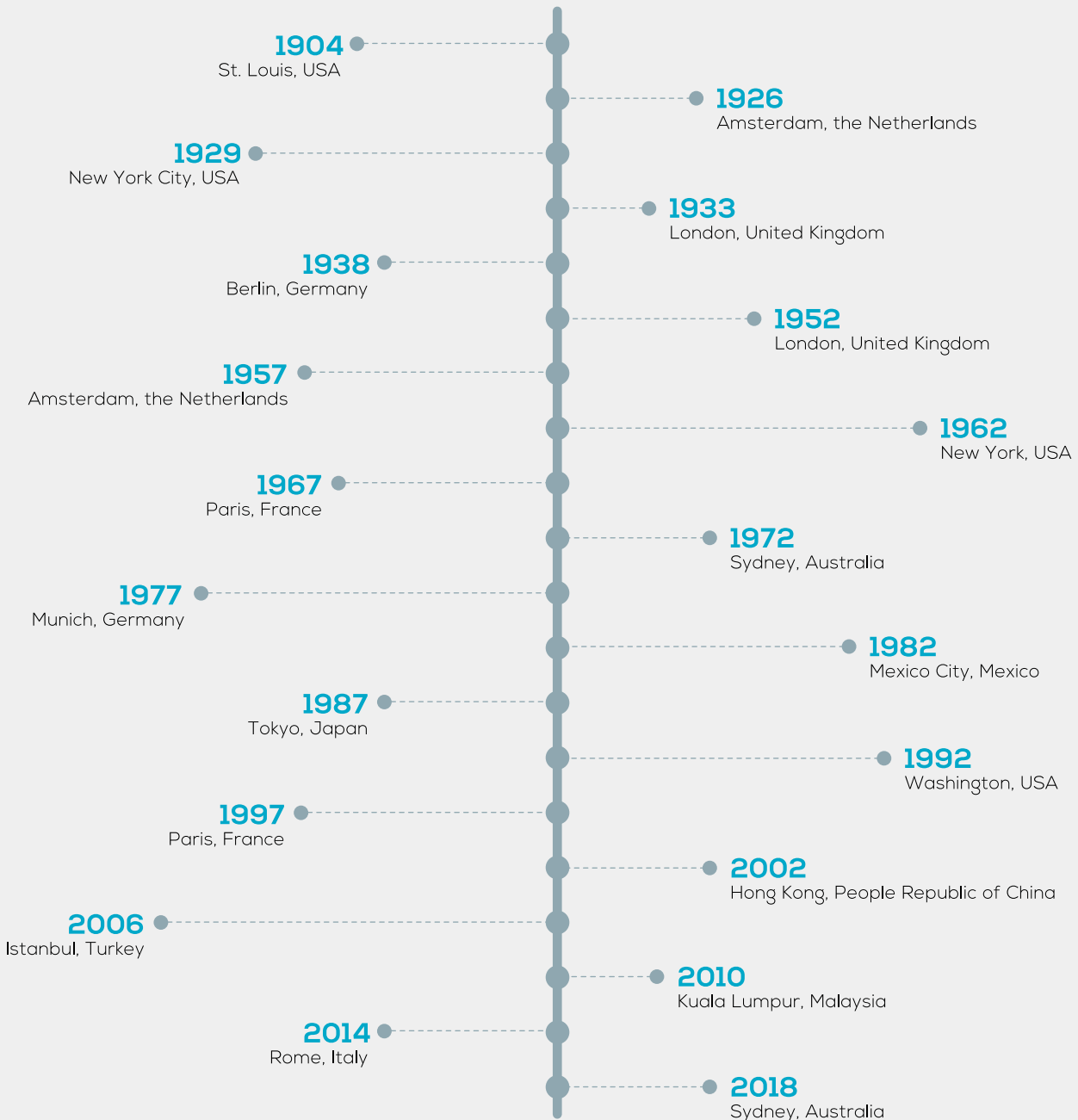


Taken from 1972 Pictorial Supplement of the Congress for The Australian Accountant and The Chartered Accountant.

The World Congress of Accountants was first held more than 118 years ago, at the dawn of the 20th century. In 1904, the world was changing; Henry Ford set a land speed record; the USA took control of the Panama Canal; UK and France signed the Entente Cordiale and Australia elected its first national government.

From that first event, subsequent conferences have been woven between major global events including the Great Depression and two World Wars. Today the World Congress of Accountants is a large-scale, international event which occurs, like The Olympic Games, every four years.

With the 21st Anniversary Conference due to be held in India in November 2022, we take a look back on the accounting event's history.



Message of the President, ICAI



CA. (Dr.) Debashis Mitra
President, ICAI

On behalf of the host institution the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI), I cordially invite you all to attend the 21st World Congress of Accountants from November 18-21, 2022 in the financial capital of India- Mumbai which is commercial capital of India, 30th most visited location worldwide and is one of the most preferred tourist destinations in India.

World congress is most prestigious event of the accountancy world happening for the first time in South Asia in over 100 years history of the Congress. Happening in the year 2022 when India is celebrating 75 years of its Independence as Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav, this Congress will add grandeur of the overall celebrations. We all have learnt to live with the new normal, amidst the ongoing pandemic situation. We are happy to present the 21st World Congress of Accountants in hybrid mode for the first time in the Congress's history to provide opportunity to everyone to be part of this exclusive event.

While we are fully prepared to welcome you all to the mystic world of India's rich culture and heritage, we are also working to create a never before seen and one of a kind experience for all of our delegates, whether they wish to attend physically or virtually while considering the different time zones.

The Congress's program on the theme "Building Trust Enabling Sustainability" has been developed keeping in mind the continuous engagement and role of accountancy profession in building trust to support communities, businesses and to build the sustainable, resilient economies that we need for the future. Thereby the focus of the Congress shall dwell upon professional enrichment in contemporary and emerging areas.

The hospitality of India has been recognized and praised across the globe. The Indian philosophy of treating the guests with reverence holds true even today and we are committed to provide a unique and memorable experience in a country which is a land of unity in diversity with amazingly vibrant amalgamation of cultures.

As you will find yourself engaged and immersed in the technically well knitted program, please do remember that you are in the Country of 40 UNESCO World Heritage sites, beautiful landscapes, and architecture.

Welcome to India !

Message of the Vice President, ICAI



CA. Aniket Sunil Talati
Vice-President, ICAI

Namaste

In the current competitive and volatile business environment, profession demands that we build and maintain trust between the organization, its stakeholders, and the society. The profession of accountancy has been the synonym of trust for centuries together and the recent crisis inflicted upon by the pandemic has raised global awareness towards Sustainable Value Creation (SVC). The professional relevance for sustainability has been advocated by the need for enhanced corporate reporting which can evolve and expand to deliver the right information to shareholders, regulators, and the public. The accountancy profession is recognized as an important driver for strong and sustainable economies and financial markets as accountants are the conscience keepers of society.

While the world economy has witnessed the advent of digital revolution and is trying to assimilate and embrace the changes, there has been a steady increase in the adoption of Fintech, specifically in India. With the average age of startup founders at a mere 28 years, the country is home to many of the youngest entrepreneurs in the world and has now emerged as a global innovation hub with the world's third-largest startup ecosystem. As per the forecast by World Bank, India is poised to be one of the fastest growing emerging markets in the world.

The rich heritage of India which is one of the world's oldest civilizations, is a confluence of religions, traditions and customs and is signified by its art, architecture, classical dances, music, flora and fauna and picturesque landscapes.

We, at ICAI are pleased to host you here in Mumbai, the financial capital of India for the 21st World Congress of Accountants with the theme "Building Trust Enabling Sustainability" from November 18-21, 2022, and give you a professionally enriching and personally rejuvenating experience.

We are hopeful that the conference shall be stimulating and productive and your stay in India will be a memorable experience.

Once again, we invite you for this enthralling convergence in India- The land of multicultural, historical, and spiritual inheritance since centuries.

Message of the President, IFAC



Alan Johnson
President, International Federation of Accountants

The World Congress of Accountants (WCOA) is the premier event for the accountancy profession. Since 1904 it has been a forum for thought leadership and a global exchange of views. It is an important point of connection for our professional from across the world together with our many stakeholders.

Excitement is building for the 21st WCOA in Mumbai, the first to be held in South Asia. All participants look forward to engaging with the profession's global agenda and to learning from ICAI's experience, since its foundation in 1949, in building the Indian accountancy profession and as a partner contributing to the development of the the Indian economy and society.

ICAI has provided 73 years of remarkable service to the profession and the public interest. In 2020 no organization was quicker to digitalize its offerings than ICAI, and at that moment of great uncertainty ICAI made its wealth of resources freely available online for accountants everywhere. This is the spirit and embodiment of service to the public interest, and a great credit to India as an important leader in the accountancy profession.

The global agenda for the profession is full of promising opportunities and weighty challenges. The time is now for collaboration – with speed – to respond to these developments and to anticipate issues on the horizon.

There is no better time than now, and no better place than India, to have these conversations.

In the year India celebrates its 75th anniversary, and as it takes over the Presidency of the G20, we look forward to welcoming you to Mumbai in November.

भारत में आपका स्वागत है

Message of the Chairman, WCOA 2022 Executive Committee



CA. Prafulla P. Chhajed
Chairman, WCOA 2022 Executive Committee

On behalf of the WCOA 2022 Executive Committee, I would like to invite you to the "Olympics of Accountancy Profession", the 21st World Congress of Accountants 2022 on the theme "Building Trust Enabling Sustainability" from November 18-21, 2022 at Jio World Convention Centre in Mumbai, India.

The Congress which attracts who's who of the accounting profession shall give you a unique opportunity to listen to visionaries and leaders from around the world debating on current issues and trends concerning the profession.

ICAI is honoured to be the host for this mega event having conglomeration of professional accountants, regulators, leaders and visionaries all contributing to the cause of the profession.

We are fully geared up to provide the delegates with exquisite experience viz a viz the quality of the program as well as your stay in India. ICAI is also working closely with the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India for timely issuance of visas to the delegates to give them a hassle-free experience here in India.

It is also a happy coincidence that the year 2022 is the 75th year of India's Independence and the Government of India is celebrating the year in a big way to showcase the glorious history of India. WCOA 2022 would also be celebrated as a mega event to showcase the important role that the accountancy profession has been playing in the economic and social development of the country.

We look forward to welcoming you in great numbers in India and together we will make it a great knowledge enriching experience in the marvels of the 'Incredible India'.

See you in Mumbai !

ABOUT IFAC

THE GLOBAL VOICE OF ACCOUNTANCY PROFESSION

IFAC, founded in 1977, is the global organization for the accountancy profession dedicated to serving the public interest by strengthening the profession and contributing to the development of strong international economies. IFAC is comprised of 180 members and associates in 135 countries and jurisdictions, representing more than 3 million accountants in public practice, education, government service, industry, and commerce.

IFAC's work is guided by three long-standing and equally important strategic objectives:

- › Speaking out and engaging as the voice for the global profession
- › Leading and developing a future-ready profession
- › Contributing to and promoting the development, adoption and implementation of high-quality international standards

For more information please visit www.ifac.org



ABOUT ICAI

PROUD HOST OF WCOA 2022

The ICAI - An Overview

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India is a statutory body established by an Act of Parliament, viz. The Chartered Accountants Act, 1949 on 1st July, 1949 for regulating the profession of Chartered Accountancy in the country. The Institute, functions under the administrative control of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India.

The ICAI is one of the largest professional bodies of Chartered Accountants in the World, with a strong tradition of service to the Indian economy in public interest.

Currently around 750,000 students are pursuing the CA course and the total membership count of the ICAI is about 350,000. A significant number of members occupy eminent positions in Government and various organisations.

ICAI's Presence

Headquarters: New Delhi, India

Regional Offices: 5 (Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata, Kanpur, New Delhi)

Branch Offices: 164 branches spread all over the country

Overseas: 44 Chapters

31 Representative Offices spanning in

75 global cities of 47 Countries and Growing

Overseas Offices in Dubai and Singapore

Activities at a Glance



ICAI Global Presence



International Affiliations

Recognizing the importance of the development of Accountancy sector in the development of economy especially on a global front, ICAI has been playing a prominent role through various international accountancy forums.

The professional competence and contribution of over 30,000 ICAI members based abroad has been well recognized in the economic and social development of economies of the World.



The Proud Host of WCOA 2022

The ICAI, being a founding member of IFAC, had bid to host the WCOA 2022 and after rigorous assessment regarding the abilities and experience of the member body; suitability of proposed venue; attractiveness to potential delegates, including site visits of IFAC delegation, ICAI won the bid to host the WCOA 2022 in Mumbai. This would be the first time ever that India would be hosting this prestigious event. It is a proud moment not only for accounting fraternity in India but for the fraternity in South Asia, as India is the first country among the South Asia to host the World Congress of Accountants.

For more information please visit www.icai.org

ABOUT WCOA 2022

BUILDING TRUST ENABLING SUSTAINABILITY

ICAI is delighted to host the 21st World Congress of Accountants scheduled to be held from November 18-21, 2022 at Jio World Centre, Mumbai, India, in Hybrid mode.

With the ease of travel restrictions all over the world and the situation coming back to normal, ICAI is creating a never before and a unique experience for all the delegates. WCOA 2022 will not only provide the delegates an opportunity to network amongst peers and upgrade their skillset, but also to explore the 'Incredible India'.

The new normal is teaching us newer ways to operate, WCOA 2022 is being held in hybrid mode for the first time embracing the change in the Congress's history. It will allow the delegates to attend WCOA 2022 virtually as well. Timing of various sessions has also been planned to keep in mind the different time zones.

Celebrating ideas for future - the World Congress, this time, would dwell upon the theme "Building Trust Enabling Sustainability" keeping in mind the important role accountancy profession is playing as protector of public Interest and how the profession can play an instrumental role to enable sustainable economies for the future.

The WCOA 2022 would be an apt platform for exchange of ideas through interactive discussions for accounting, finance and business professionals and is strongly recommended to be attended by:

- > Regulators
- > Standards Setters
- > Economists
- > Professional Accountants in Practice and Industry
- > Global CEOs/CFOs/CXOs of Industry
- > Academicians
- > Consulting Practitioners
- > Global Accounting Institutions
- > Commercial Groups

Don't miss out on this opportunity to get priceless insights from industry thought leaders, deliberating on current and future paradigm of profession stressing on the need of protecting the Public interest and responsibility towards a sustainable World.



WHY TO ATTEND

A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO NETWORK AND UPGRADE

Insights on global practice and future trends with emerging avenues for the profession

Build your network with peers across the Globe



Know how the accounting & finance professionals are changing the world for the better

Grow your practice with valuable learnings from the stalwarts of the profession

Economic insights to help you to plan better



Informative and Practical sessions led by experts

An exhibition of niche organizations showcasing their products and services to support and streamline your business and practice

Learn from the trend setters on the challenges to face the uncertain tomorrow



Attractive sight-seeing tour options in a land of vibrant cultural heritage, eye-catching architectural gems and interesting landscapes with 40 UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

THEMATIC ISSUES

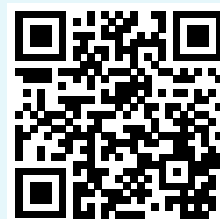
The Congress would explore a range of key themes including:



PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

DAY 01	18 November 2022, Friday	DAY 02	19 November 2022, Saturday
	12:30 - 14:00 Registration		12:30 - 14:00 Sponsors and Exhibitors Showcase
	14:00 - 15:30 Opening Ceremony		14:00 - 15:00 Plenary Session-2
	15:30 - 16:00 Coffee Break		15:00 - 15:30 Coffee Break
	16:00 - 17:30 Parallel Workshops		15:30 - 17:00 Parallel Workshops
	17:30 - 18:00 Coffee Break		17:00 - 17:30 Coffee Break
	18:00 - 19:00 Plenary Session-1		17:30 - 18:30 Plenary Session-3
	19:30 - 21:30 Social Event		19:30 - 21:30 Social Event
DAY 03	20 November 2022, Sunday	DAY 04	21 November 2022, Monday
	12:30 - 14:00 Sponsors and Exhibitors Showcase		12:30 - 14:00 Sponsors and Exhibitors Showcase
	14:00 - 15:00 Plenary Session-4		14:00 - 15:30 Parallel Workshops
	15:00 - 15:30 Coffee Break		15:30 - 16:00 Coffee Break
	15:30 - 17:00 Parallel Workshops		16:00 - 17:00 Plenary Session-6
	17:00 - 17:30 Coffee Break		17:00 - 17:30 Coffee Break
	17:30 - 18:30 Plenary Session-5		17:30 - 18:30 Closing Ceremony
	19:30 - 21:30 Social Event		

REGISTRATION FEES



Physical Participation

Till 30th June

EARLY BIRD
DISCOUNT

Type of Delegates	Fees (INR)	GST 18% (INR)	Total (INR)
ICAI Member	15,000	2,700	17,700
Non ICAI Member from Host country	18,000	3,240	21,240
Delegates from Emerging Economies	30,000	5,400	35,400
Delegates from Emerged Economies	45,000	8,100	53,100
Accompanying Person	7,000	1,260	8,260

From 1st July onwards

Type of Delegates	Fees (INR)	GST 18% (INR)	Total (INR)
ICAI Member	18,000	3,240	21,240
Non ICAI Member from Host country	22,000	3,960	25,960
Delegates from Emerging Economies	36,000	6,480	42,480
Delegates from Emerged Economies	54,000	9,720	63,720
Accompanying Person	7,000	1,260	8,260

Virtual Participation

Till 30th June

EARLY BIRD
DISCOUNT

Type of Delegates	Fees (INR)	GST 18% (INR)	Total (INR)
ICAI Member	2,000	360	2,360
Non ICAI Member from Host country	2,500	450	2,950
Delegates from Emerging Economies	2,500	NA	2,500
Delegates from Emerged Economies	4,000	NA	4,000

From 1st July onwards

Type of Delegates	Fees (INR)	GST 18% (INR)	Total (INR)
ICAI Member	2,500	450	2,950
Non ICAI Member from Host country	3,000	540	3,540
Delegates from Emerging Economies	2,500	NA	2,500
Delegates from Emerged Economies	3,000	NA	3,000

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"Find the Incredible You"

About India

India is one of the oldest civilizations in the world with a kaleidoscopic variety and rich cultural heritage. It covers an area of 32, 87,263 sq. km, extending from the snow-covered Himalayan heights to the tropical rain forests of the south. As the 7th largest country in the world, India stands apart from the rest of Asia, marked off as it is by mountains and the sea, which give the country a distinct geographical entity. Bounded by the Great Himalayas in the north, it stretches southwards and at the Tropic of Cancer, tapers off into the Indian Ocean between the Bay of Bengal on the east and the Arabian Sea on the west. As you travel, India offers a range of vast tourism choices, diverse in land and nature,

people, tribes, cuisine, faiths, dance forms, music, arts, crafts, adventure, sport, spirituality, history; even these vary as you journey from one state to another. From world-class airports and hotels, luxurious shopping malls, restaurants, pubs and cafes to overcrowded streets and alleyways, in the same cities, filled with thousands of little shops offering every possible modern and ethnic product and native street food is a fascinating experience.


VISIT INDIA & FEEL ITS SYMPHONY IN DIVERSITY



THE LAND OF OPPORTUNITIES



One of the world's fastest-growing economies.

Most attractive destination for IT companies across the world. 



One of the biggest and best business outsourcing providers in the world.

Global innovation hub and the world's largest start up ecosystem. 



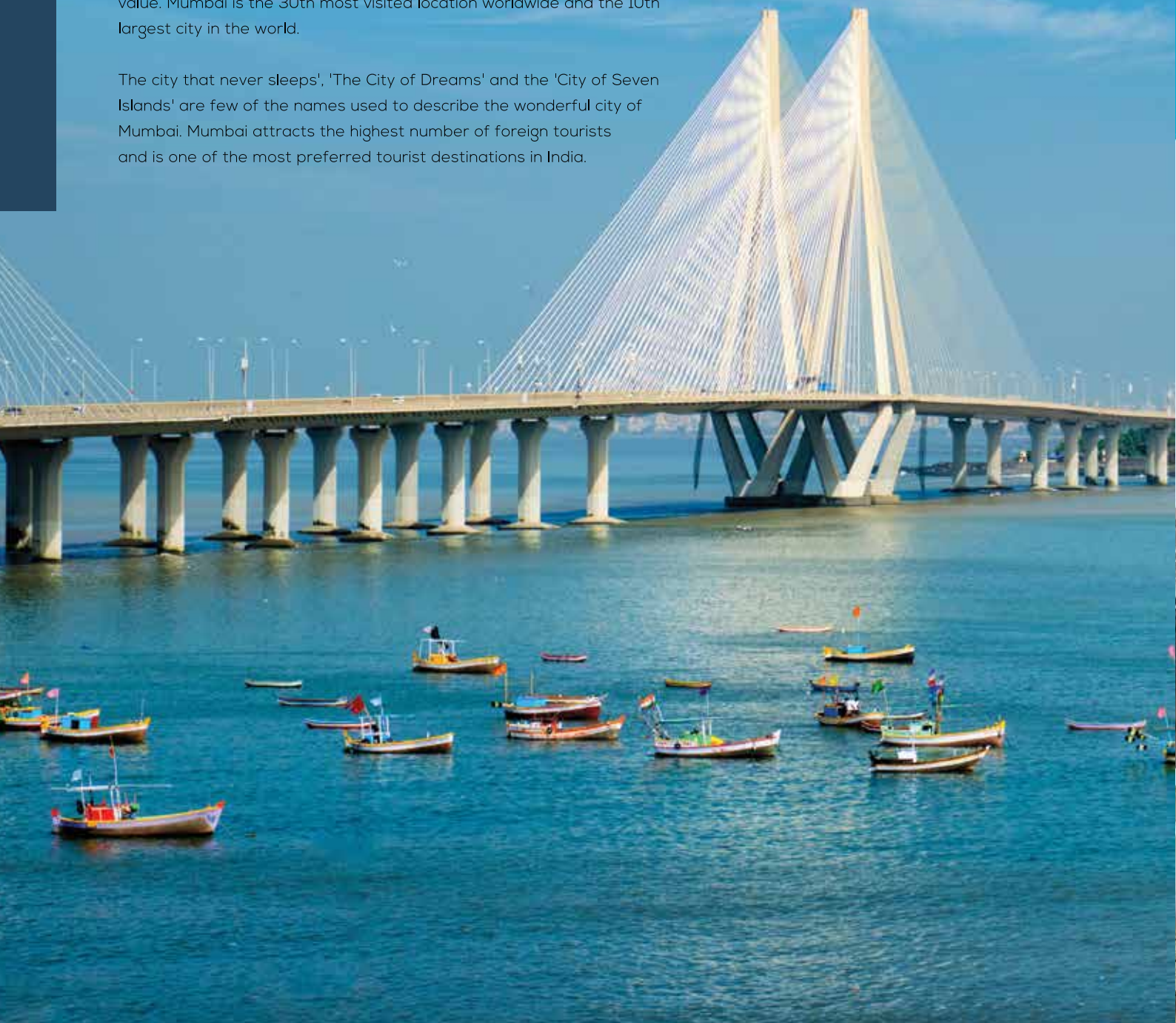
Country of youth.



THE HOST CITY MUMBAI - A CITY OF DREAMS

Mumbai is the financial capital of country and home to big corporates/firms and leading institutions and academicians with regulators of financial and capital markets. Mumbai is also the base of Indian film Industry namely Bollywood, about 20,000+ crore in market value. Mumbai is the 30th most visited location worldwide and the 10th largest city in the world.

The city that never sleeps', 'The City of Dreams' and the 'City of Seven Islands' are few of the names used to describe the wonderful city of Mumbai. Mumbai attracts the highest number of foreign tourists and is one of the most preferred tourist destinations in India.



ABOUT THE CONGRESS VENUE

JIO WORLD CONVENTION CENTRE

Where Events Come To Life



With an area totaling 32,163 sq. m., Jio World Convention Centre marks the creation of one of the finest convention and exhibition centres in India. Here, cutting-edge technology meets world class architecture. Its features include highly flexible venues for multiple events, virtual, physical and hybrid event options, impeccable safety standards, advanced technologies, the finest food along with service and support staff that ensure you have everything you need to host outstanding events, exhibitions, social celebrations, trainings, meetings, tradeshows, conferences and conventions.

Unrivalled Facilities

- > 3 exhibition halls spanning 15,000 sq. m. divisible by operable walls on the ground floor.
- > 2 modern convention halls spanning 10,000 sq. m. divisible by operable walls on the third floor.
- > A 1,500 sq. m. registration hall with an attached business centre, which is purpose-built to provide a smooth registration experience.



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Driving Distance from International Airport



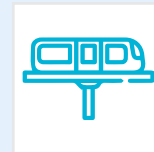
15 Min
Driving distance of eastern & western highway



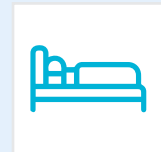
20 min/6kms
Driving distance from Domestic Airport



20 min/5kms
Driving distance from Bandra Terminus



7 min
Upcoming metro lines 2 & 3 (7-10 min walk)



1300+
Hotel rooms within 5 kms radius

PRE AND POST CONFERENCE TOURS

Mumbai – City Tour

You can visit the famous beaches of Mumbai. Enjoy ferry ride to the 6th century Elephanta Caves. Located about 10 kilometers away from the city. The ferry ride starts from the Gateway of India and takes you to the rock-cut cave temples of the Elephanta Island. Later, ferry back to the Gateway of India. The Gateway of India is a 20th century arch monument built in the honor of King George V and Queen Mary; visit to India in 1911. Drive past British era monuments, Rajabai Clock Tower, Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus. Visit the famous Siddhivinayak Temple dedicated to Lord Ganesha (the remover of obstacles), 20th century Prince of Wales Museum and the Hanging Gardens.



Go Goa – Beach, Fort & Temples

If you are looking for a relaxed and laid-back travel experience, then Goa is the perfect place to be. Famous as India's beach destination, Goa has more to offer than just its exotic beaches. You can explore old Portuguese Forts and ruins, visit decorative ancient temples, Enjoy Goa's local cuisine and more.

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Kerala, is known as a tropical paradise of waving palms and wide, sandy beaches. Kerala is also known as God's own Country. It is a narrow strip of coastal territory that slopes down the Western Ghats in a cascade of lush, green vegetation and reaches the Arabian sea. It is also known for its backwaters, mountains, coconuts, spices and art forms. With world-class sporting options, Ayurvedic spas and treatments, eco-tourism initiatives, beautiful tall blue mountains, pristine rain forests, golden beaches and an enormous range of accommodation, Kerala has much to offer to its visitors.



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