



Entering Italy VISA INFORMATION

- To enter Italy you need: **invitation** (entry permit for brief stay for foreigners invited by recognized public or private organizations, institutions or agencies to participate in special events of political, scientific or cultural importance, travelling at the expense of a host institution).
- Required documents:
 - **Formal invitation** from host institution (Italian Red Cross) committed to covering the expenses of the travelling foreigner (accommodation and meals);
 - **Ticket reservation** (round trip)
- The entry visa for participants in the Youth on the Move will be **free-of-charge**.
- The Italian Red Cross will send a formal invitation to the Italian Diplomatic/Consular Representations declaring it will cover the participants' costs of accommodation and subsistence for the whole period of stay in Italy. Consequently, there is **no need to provide evidence of means of subsistence** when applying for the entry visa.
- Please note that, according to the Schengen Agreement rules, each Italian Diplomatic/Consular Representation reserves the right to assess the country migration risk before issuing entry visas. At this regard, an interview can be required.
- Applications and all required documents (a **six months passport validity**, etc.) for visas for each delegation can be presented by a **single representative** of the National Society to the Italian Diplomatic/Consular Representations or, if not present in your country, to the Schengen consular office representing Italy.
- In order to facilitate the process, the Italian Red Cross will provide the Ministry of Foreign Affairs with a list of representatives of National Societies requiring visas for their own delegation.

Note: please send the name of your National Society representative to:
solferino2009@cri.it

- It is required to apply for a VISA ahead of time, preferably before the 15th of April.

For more detailed information on entry visas to Italy (countries for which visa is required, where to apply for a visa, which documents are required to apply, etc.), please visit the webpage:
http://www.esteri.it/visti/index_eng.asp.