



Ambasciata d'Italia in Etiopia

Work Visa for Subordinate Employment

Entertainment Sector

Citizens of non-EU countries who intend to carry out employment activities in Italy must apply for a work visa and, once they arrive in Italy, must submit an application for a residence permit within 8 working days.

Applicants are invited to download and complete the national visa application form ([National Form](#))

Subordinate work visa – entertainment: The subordinate work visa in the entertainment sector is required for foreign citizens who intend to carry out temporary work activities in Italy within artistic, cultural, or entertainment events, in accordance with current labor and immigration regulations.

The issuance of the visa is subject to authorization from the competent Italian authorities (nulla osta ex ANPAL), as well as the presentation of an employment contract or an agreement with the event organizer or production company.

For the list of required documents, applicants are invited to consult the following checklist.

Please note that the Embassy reserves the right to request additional documentation if deemed necessary.

Required documents for the application for a subordinate work visa (entertainment / circuses / related activities):

Applicants are advised to submit all documentation complete, up-to-date, and compliant with the requirements indicated.

- National visa application form, duly completed and signed, accompanied by a recent ICAO-format photograph (3.5 x 4.0 cm), with a white or light background, taken within the last six months. For further information: [ICAO Photograph Guidelines](#).

- Valid passport with copy, with at least three months' validity beyond the intended date of departure from the Schengen area, issued within the last ten years, and containing at least two blank pages.
- Proof of residence in Ethiopia or in the country where the application is submitted.
- Flight reservation. It is not necessary to purchase the ticket.
- **Nulla Osta ex ANPAL** issued by the National Agency for Active Labor Policies (ANPAL).
- **Individual employment contract.**
- **Registration with the Chamber of Commerce (CCIAA) of the inviting company**, including: date of incorporation, share capital, operational status, and number of employees.
- Documentation regarding the **consistency between the planned circus itinerary and the authorizations issued by the competent municipalities.**
- **Financial statements** of the last fiscal years of the Italian inviting company.
- Any additional documentation requested by the Visa Office.