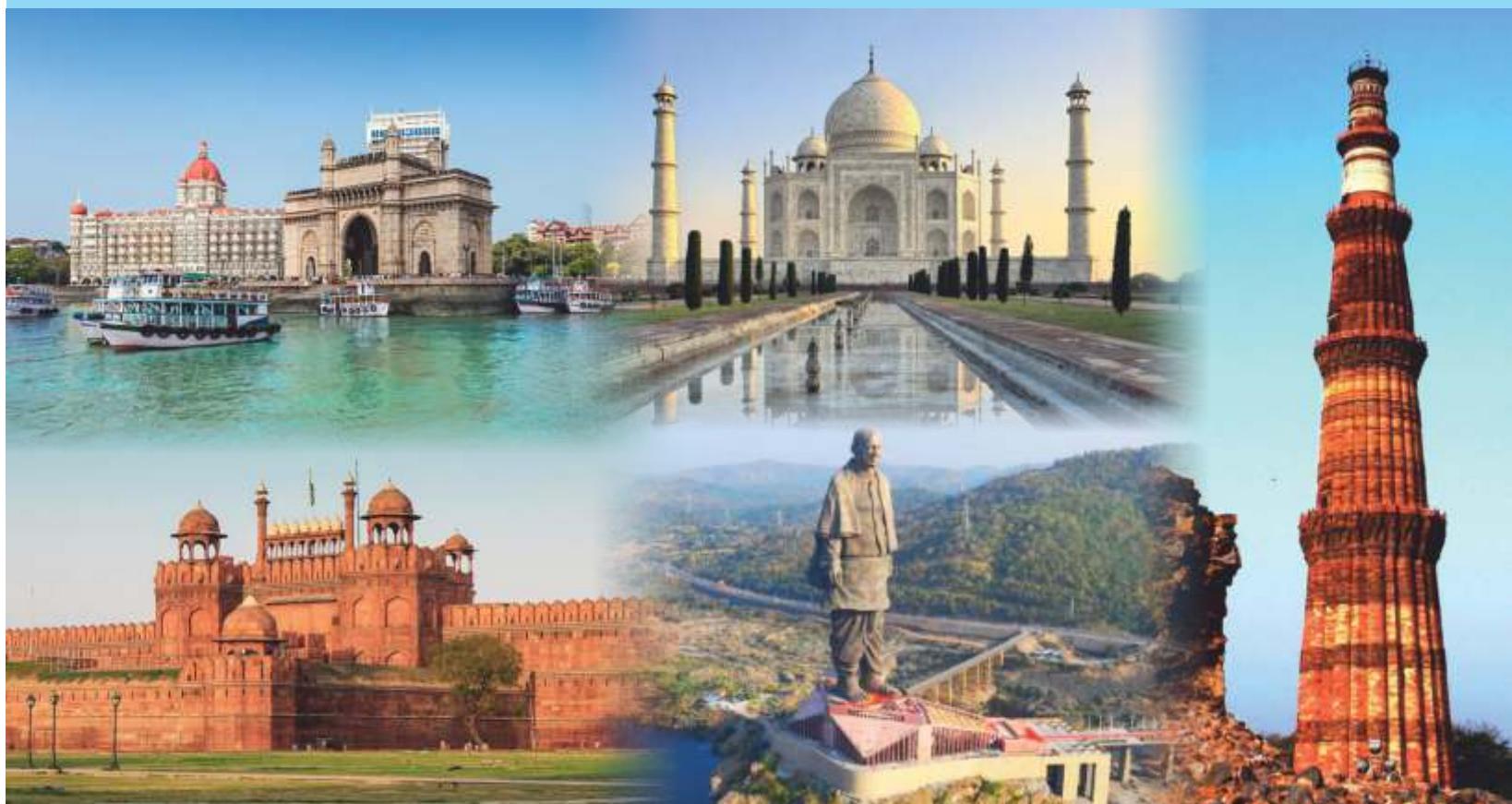


World Congress of Accountants 2022

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The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India
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Message of the President



Dear Friends, on behalf of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, it is my pride and privilege to invite you all to the 21st World Congress of Accountants (WCOA) 2022 in Mumbai, India. Amongst the fastest world economies, India is a land of immense growth and opportunities and the congress in Mumbai will be an incredible networking & learning platform for accountants across the globe.

"Olympics of the Accountancy Profession" as it is popularly known would be held for the first time in this part of the world, and it is a proud moment not only for Indian accounting fraternity but for the whole fraternity in South Asia, as India is the first country among the South Asia to host the World Congress.

India is a journey of mind & soul and Indian hospitality has been recognised and praised across the globe. 'Guest is GOD' in our culture and such is our outlook to hospitality, which you will get to experience in India.

India is a country with a high growth trajectory and bright spark in the world of business and accounting. With World Bank forecast of 7.5% growth for the next two years, India is poised to be one of the fastest growing emerging markets in the world and 11th wealthiest nation by 2022. India is also the most attractive destination for IT companies across the world. Our country has become the digital capabilities hub of the world with around 75 per cent of global digital talent present in the country.

Mumbai is India's financial Capital, 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.

We, at ICAI look forward to see you in great numbers in India and together we will make it a great knowledge enriching experience. Don't miss out on the opportunity to enjoy a blend of diverse cultures and traditions imbibed with rich heritage in every corner of this unique country.

We are all geared up, excited and look forward to seeing you soon at WCOA 2022 in Mumbai, Namaste!

CA. Prafulla P. Chhajed
President, ICAI

Message of the Vice President



Let me invite you all for the 21st World Congress of Accountants in Mumbai, India being organized by the ICAI which promises to be one of the finest and glorious Accounting Conferences in the history of the profession.

We are working to conceptualize a platform celebrating Ideas for future - the Conference will provide opportunity for professional enrichment in contemporary and emerging areas. The Conference would have an unsurpassed depth and breadth in technical content—with a laser-sharp focus on the most important topics concerning the profession globally. In November 2022, one would get a chance to get inspired and enlightened by more than 100 eminent luminaries from accounting and business fraternity and network with 6000 of the most motivated accounting and finance professionals globally.

We at ICAI are truly excited to host you at the Congress and also offer you world class touristic opportunities spread across India's diverse landscape and vibrant cultures. We would ensure seamless and hassle free memorable experience in India.

As you will find yourself engaged and immersed in a technically well-knitted program, please do remember to visit our history and culture having 37 World Heritage sites including the unique wonder of the world "The Taj Mahal". India is an amazingly vibrant amalgamation of cultures and has an untold story to offer to voracious travellers.

Friends, I whole heartedly welcome you to India! The Incredible India.

CA. Atul Kumar Gupta
Vice President, ICAI

About ICAI

The Proud Host of WCOA 2022

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (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.

The ICAI - An Overview

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) is a statutory body established by an Act of Parliament in the year 1949 for regulating the profession of Chartered Accountants in India. The ICAI has achieved recognition as the premier accounting body in India and today it is one the largest accounting in the world.

On International front, ICAI is represented at International Federation of Accountants (IFAC), Confederation of Asian and Pacific Accountants (CAPA), Chartered Accountants Worldwide (CAW) and South Asian Federation of Accountants (SAFA) where it has made its presence felt through its effective and sustained contribution. It has extended technical cooperation to countries like Bhutan, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Mongolia, Djibouti and is in dialogue with various other countries wherein the framework for accounting infrastructure does not exist to develop the accounting profession in such countries. ICAI has entered into qualification reciprocity agreements with accounting bodies in South Africa, UK, Australia, New Zealand, Canada, Ireland and more are on anvil. These agreements are a step forward in increased mobility to professionals at either end and would herald a new dimension for business globally.

ICAI Presence

- ◆ Headquarters : New Delhi
- ◆ Regional Offices : 5 (Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata, Kanpur, New Delhi)
- ◆ Branch Offices : 164 branches spread all over the country
- ◆ Overseas : 34 chapters and an overseas office in Dubai

Currently around 8 lakh students are pursuing the CA course and the total membership count of the ICAI is about 3 lakh. A significant number of members occupy eminent positions in government and various organisations.

The affairs of the ICAI are managed by the Council in accordance with the provisions of the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949 and the Chartered Accountants Regulations, 1988. The Council is composed of 40 members of whom 32 are elected by the members and remaining 8 are nominated by the Central Government generally representing the Comptroller and Auditor General of India, Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Ministry of Finance, and other stakeholders.

Activities at a glance:

- ◆ Regulator of CA Profession
- ◆ Standards Setter
- ◆ Robust Disciplinary Mechanism
- ◆ Services to Government and stakeholders
- ◆ Education & Research
- ◆ International initiatives
- ◆ Continuing Professional Education
- ◆ Corporate Governance
- ◆ Public Finance

World Congress of Accountants

World Congress of Accountants (WCOA), popularly known as the "Olympics of the Accountancy Profession" is one of the most prestigious global event of Professional accountants under the aegis of the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC), where a conglomeration of 6000 delegates from over 130 member countries of IFAC exchange views with other Accounting and Finance professionals from around the world and engage with visionaries and leaders to bring their own expertise to the fore on a world stage.

The Congress gives the participants an opportunity to listen to world-class speakers and leaders of the finance and business community, to exchange views with other accounting and finance professionals from around the world, and to debate current issues and trends in the profession. Congress speakers include international and national standards setters, accounting organizations, accounting firms, regulators, and commerce groups.

1st

World Congress of Accountants
(St. Louis, USA, 1904)

11th

World Congress of Accountants
(Munich, Germany, 1977)

2nd

World Congress of Accountants
(Amsterdam, the Netherlands, 1926)

12th

World Congress of Accountants
(Mexico City, Mexico, 1982)

3rd

World Congress of Accountants
(New York City, United States of
America, 1929)

13th

World Congress of Accountants
(Tokyo, Japan 1987)

4th

World Congress of Accountants
(London, United Kingdom, 1933)

14th

World Congress of Accountants
(Washington, USA, 1992)

5th

World Congress of Accountants
(Berlin, Germany, 1938)

15th

World Congress of Accountants
(Paris, France, 1997)

6th

World Congress of Accountants
(London, United Kingdom, 1952)

16th

World Congress of Accountants
(Hong Kong, People Republic of China, 2002)

7th

World Congress of Accountants
(Amsterdam, the Netherlands, 1957)

17th

World Congress of Accountants
(Istanbul, Turkey, 2006)

8th

World Congress of Accountants
(New York, United States of America, 1962)

18th

World Congress of Accountants
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 2010

9th

World Congress of Accountants
(Paris, France, 1967)

19th

World Congress of Accountants
(Rome, Italy 2014)

10th

World Congress of Accountants
(Sydney, Australia, 1972)

20th

World Congress of Accountants
Sydney, Australia 2018

INCREDIBLE INDIA

India - A Land of infinite Opportunities



Amongst the fastest world economies.



India is the top most off shoring destination for IT companies across the world.



India is the the digital capabilities hub of the world with around 75 per cent of global digital talent present in the country



India, a country of youth, is home to about 20,000 startups, with about 1,400 beginning operations every year



India is a bright spot in the global tourism scenario

From Mighty Himalayas to Mystical Beaches  **From Exotic Wild Life to Great Indian Deserts**

India is a land of opportunities. It always has something to offer to every one visiting India for any purposes, be it Tourism, Medical & Wellness services, Business and Investment opportunities, growing Service sector etc.

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. It is also the city of legendry Amitabh Bachhan, the world renowned actor and Sachin Tendulkar, the world's own renowned Indian Cricketer. Mumbai is the 30th most visited location worldwide and the 10th largest city in the world.

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Airport connectivity in Mumbai



CONVENTION CENTRE

JIO WORLD CENTRE: The Venue

WORLD CLASS MIXED USE FACILITY

- 75,000 sq.m. plot area, 8 million sq.ft. built up area
- India's first LEED platinum mixed use project
- India's first convention center with 25,000 person capacity

JIO INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION CENTRE

- 5 Convention Halls (5000 sq.m. each)
- Banquet Hall (3000 sq.m.) and
- Banquet Terrace (2350 sq.m.)
- 25 Meeting Rooms

NITA AMBANI CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

- Main Theatre
- 2 Balconies, 2000 seats, 18 Private Boxes
- Courtyard Theatre (250 seats)
- Experimental Theatre (125 seats)

LUXURY RETAIL MALL

OFFICE TOWER

SERVICED APARTMENTS

Projected Peak Footfall
across the complex in
excess of 40,000



Convention Centre Jio World Centre

Convention Halls – Ground Floor



- ◆ 3 contiguous halls of 5,000 sqm. each located on ground floor
- ◆ Equipped with latest audio-visual equipment with enhanced connectivity
- ◆ Occupant capacity: 11,000 people
- ◆ Grand space with clear height of 12 meters

Large Flex Halls

- ◆ 2 contiguous halls of 5,000 sqm. each, located on third level
- ◆ Grand column less space with clear height of 11 meters



Multi-purpose Meeting Rooms



- ◆ 25 rooms ranging from 50 – 300 sqm. (with ability to combine to form larger rooms), having a clear height of 4.5 meters
- ◆ Equipped with latest audio-visual equipment with enhanced connectivity

Grand Banquet Hall and Banquet Terrace

- ◆ Column less Banquet Hall (3,000 sqm) divisible into 3 independent halls with an occupant capacity of 3,500 – 5,000 people.
- ◆ Floor to ceiling height of 11 metres.
- ◆ Banquet Terrace (2,350 sqm) (capacity 2,500 – 4,000 people)



Convention Centre

“Flexible space to hold all types of Events”



- World class Theatre along the lines of the Kodak/ Dolby Academy
- Equipped with latest AV equipment and virtual acoustic system
- 2000 seats arrayed on 3 levels. 18 VIP boxes (90 seats).

- ◆ International Summits
- ◆ International Conferences & Meetings
- ◆ Conventions
- ◆ Exhibitions
- ◆ Trade Fairs / Shows
- ◆ Corporate Events
- ◆ Banquets & Social Events
- ◆ Concerts & Performances
- ◆ Sports Events / Gaming Conventions

Jio World Centre



- ◆ 250 seater Courtyard Theatre, arrayed on two levels
- ◆ 125 seater Experimental Theatre, arrayed on one level
- ◆ Space can be seamlessly changed to a meeting room or banquet room, using telescopic seating system

Prominent 5 Star Hotels in Mumbai

Mumbai has around fifty 5 star category hotels having rooming capacity of more than 12000. Mumbai also has more than 100 hotels of 3 & 4 categories with rooming capacity of more than 6000.



Trident, Bandra Kurla, Mumbai

Star Rating: 5 star
Distance from Convention Center: 0 km
Number of Rooms available: 436



Sofitel, BKC, Mumbai

Star Rating: 5 star
Distance from Convention Center: 0 km
Number of Rooms available: 302



Hyatt Regency Mumbai

Star Rating: 5 star
Distance from Convention Center: 10 km
Number of Rooms available: 401



Grand Hyatt

Star Rating: 5 star
Distance from Convention Center: 05 Km
Numbers of Rooms: 401



ITC Grand Central

Star Rating: 5 star
Distance from Convention Center: 10 Km
Numbers of Rooms: 242



JW Marriott Mumbai Sahar

Star Rating: 5 star
Distance from Convention Center: 10 Km
Numbers of Rooms: 82



The Leela Mumbai

Star Rating: 5 star
Distance from Convention Center: 10 Km
Numbers of Rooms: 401



JW Marriott Hotel

Star Rating: 5 star
Distance from Convention Center: 10 Km
Numbers of Rooms: 355



The Taj Mahal Palace

Star Rating: 5 star
Distance from Convention Center: 25 Km
Number of Rooms: 560

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.

Best of Kerala with House Boat stay

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.



The World's leading accounting and finance professionals are coming to **Mumbai**.



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