

*This is a copy of an email received in response to the request for submissions on the feasibility study on strengthening trade and investment with Israel*

Good afternoon,

I am the CEO of Weebit Nano, Ltd., an Israeli company traded on the ASX (ASX:WBT).

We do not yet have a product and trade with Australia, but there is one point I believe is very important for anyone from Israel working with Australia – visas.

Australia has the most extreme visa policies I ever saw. Getting a visa takes several weeks and it is only valid for 6 months, meaning any business person who wants to work with Australia has to be constantly applying for visas and chasing them. I had several cases where we needed an urgent meeting in Australia and couldn't get a visa with short turnaround causing the company damages.

I would expect visas to be cancelled altogether between 2 such friendly countries, just like Israelis don't need visas to Europe, Korea, Japan and many other countries. In the worst case I would expect to have 10 year visas and a process to have accelerated visas provided in 24 hours (for a price, of course).

Thank you,

Coby Hanoach