



Position: Consultant – Financial and Social Remittances

Employer: Diaspora Action Australia

Area of work: Humanitarian Advisory – Financial and Social remittances – policy advisory.

Type: Casual contract

Location: Sydney

Application closing date: Thursday 1st March 2018

The Organisation

The Diaspora Learning Network (DLN) is a network of research institutions, civil society and non-government organisations (NGOs) created in 2016. In recent years, diaspora organisations have become increasingly visible players on the global stage, involved in projects ranging from peacebuilding, advocacy, humanitarian assistance and post-conflict reconstruction projects.

The full potential of diaspora organisations is only beginning to be systematically explored in Australia and there is a need to increase understanding of the nature and impact of diaspora-led initiatives among government, NGOs, universities and the private sector to enhance Australia's engagement with the global community.

The Diaspora Learning Network, hosted by Diaspora Action Australia, actively promotes ongoing learning and multi-sector dialogue on the role of diasporas in peace, development, humanitarian action and human rights, and it serves as a key facilitator for cross-sector collaborations between diasporas and other sectors. It does this by:

- Bringing international good practice and research to the attention of policy makers and practitioners (diaspora and non-diaspora) in Australia
- Publishing policy briefs and other publications and disseminating these through government and other sector channels.
- Convening fora, seminars and roundtable discussions that promote mutual learning between diasporas, government, universities, NGOs and others.

The DLN has received initial funding from DFAT to plan a series of topic-based policy fora, which will bring expertise from within and around diaspora communities to address identified topics of shared interest. The second of such forum aims to understand the different dimensions of diasporas'

engagement in both financial and social remittances. The forum will be held on Saturday 7th April 2018 at the Western Sydney University, Paramatta campus.

Description

The Consultant will develop policy recommendations based on the April seminar's outcomes. This role will entail:

1. Writing a concept note to be issued 2 weeks prior the seminar;
2. Liaising with the facilitator during the seminar;
3. Writing a seminar outcome report and policy recommendations
4. Liaising and consult with DLN on the final document output.

Key deadlines:

- a. Concept note due on 26th March;
- b. Policy relevant paper and policy brief due recommendations due Friday 4th May 2018.

Selection Criteria

1. Demonstrated experience of working and liaising with diaspora communities.
2. Demonstrated experience in report writing/writing policy recommendations, with specific expertise on peacebuilding and reconciliation an advantage;
3. Demonstrated knowledge of peacebuilding programs, peace and conflict resolution studies.

Submission/contacts

For more information please contact Lorenza Lazzati at dln@diasporaaction.org.au

Please submit your resume, cover letter, responses to selection criteria listed above evidence of written work to dln@diasporaaction.org.au with the subject line: **Seminar #2 – EOI**

Closing date: 4:00 pm, 1st March 2018.