



Australia Awards

Social protection policy, institutional arrangements and data coordination

Australia Awards in Indonesia – Short Term Award



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Australia Awards in Indonesia is inviting policy makers from Indonesian institutions with relevant roles in managing social protection programs to apply for our two-week short course in Australia on **27 January – 7 February 2020**.

The course aims to provide Indonesian policy makers with a comprehensive understanding of contemporary Australian social protection policies and broader institutional arrangements for social protection policy and programming. They will also learn about data sharing in Australian public sector and associated challenges for evidence-based social protection policy making and implementation, and the use of current and emerging enabling technology on social protection.

To be selected for this course you must:

- Be a representative (Echelon 2-3 or the equivalent) with a minimum of three years' experience in relevant role from the following institutions:
 - Ministry of National Development Planning/Bappenas (Directorate for Alleviating Poverty and Development of Social Welfare and Directorate for Planning, Population and Social Security);
 - Ministry of Social Affairs (Planning Bureau, Data and Information Centre of Social Welfare/Pusdatin, Directorate of Social Rehabilitation for People with Disability, and Directorate of Social Rehabilitation for Elderly);
 - The National Team for the Acceleration of Poverty Reduction (TNP2K);
 - Ministry of Finance (Directorate General of Budget and Fiscal Policy Agency);
 - Presidential Staff Office/KSP (Deputy II (Social, Ecology & Culture) and Deputy III (Economy));
 - Coordinating Ministry for Human Development and Culture Affairs (Deputy for Poverty Reduction and Social Protection Coordination);
 - Ministry of Home Affairs (Assurance Division);
 - Social Insurance Administration Organisation (BPJS) *Ketenagakerjaan* (Directorate for Customer/ *Kepesertaan*);
 - Social Insurance Administration Organisation (BPJS) *Kesehatan* (Directorate for Customer/ *Kepesertaan*).
- Be endorsed by the organisation/supervisor;
- Be committed to prepare and implement an Award project as part of the course;
- Be committed to engage actively and foster networks with multiple stakeholders including in Australia and Indonesia and facilitate the transfer of learning from the course with colleagues and peers;
- Have a bachelor's degree or higher;
- Have professional working proficiency in English. The applicants' English language competency is part of the selection process. The assessment of language competency is based on a phone interview and any additional evidence provided by the applicant (for examples: proof of studies or living in an English-speaking country or working in an English-speaking environment; completion of studies in English; result of English course; or proof of attendance or certificate of international conference).

This is a fully funded scholarship. All course fees, travel, accommodation and per diems will be provided by Australia Awards.

Applications from nominated candidates must be submitted before **20 October 2019** via this link: <https://www.australiaawardsindonesia.org/id/socialprotectionstaapplication>



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An information session will be held at the Australia Awards in Indonesia office at Gedung Wirausaha 7th Floor, Jl HR Rasuna Said Kav C-5 South Jakarta on **1 October 2019 at 10AM**. This session aims to guide applicants on the application procedures, including the online application system, selection scheme and interview process. All nominated candidates are invited to attend the info session. RSVP before 27 September 2019 at <https://www.australiaawardsindonesia.org/id/socialprotectionpolicy>

Key Dates:

- Pre-course workshop in Indonesia: 3-5 December 2019
- Short course in Australia: 27 January – 7 February 2020 (depart on 24 January, return on 9 February)
- Post-course workshop in Indonesia: 14-16 April 2020.

The Course Learning Objectives:

- Learn about Australia's overall system of social protection, factors affecting Australia's Gini ratio, the range and type of Australian benefits, including taxation and transfer, financing
- Learn about Institutional arrangements in Australia, the respective roles of departments and agencies such as the ATO, DHS, DSS, Centrelink, and the integration of social services
- Contrast, compare and understand similarities and differences between Australian and Indonesian social protection systems
- Understand associated challenges and policy in Australia in relation to data and technology for evidence-based social protection policy making and implementation
- Learn about Australia's use of current and emerging enabling technology and the applicability of those technologies in Indonesia
- Learn about streamlined payment systems for social protection
- Discuss effective coverage of the elderly and Australia's three pillar system
- Discuss how Australia defines disability eligibility within the social security system, the disability support pension, briefly cover the National Disability Insurance Scheme
- Learn about the collection and use of data (interoperability, privacy issues, data security, management information systems, data architecture, use of blockchain etc. based on outcome of the participant selection and the participants' detailed learning objectives for this course – to be identified at the pre-course workshop)