

# Australia - Indonesia Muslim Exchange Program

## 2012 Invitation for Applications

Applications are now open to Australian Muslim leaders interested in travelling to Indonesia for two weeks as part of the **Australia-Indonesia Muslim Exchange Program**. Finalised travel dates between May 21 – June 17 will be negotiated amongst successful applicants.



**All costs** are covered for the visit to Indonesia. Applications are due by **Monday, 27 February 2012**. Applicants should be between 21 and 40, and be an active member of the Muslim community in Australia.



The program offers Muslim leaders in Australia the opportunity to visit the world's most populous Muslim country and meet with a range of dynamic Muslim and non-Muslim leaders in the community. It is intended to raise the level of informed opinion about Islam in Australia and Indonesia; increase awareness about the diversity of cultures and faiths in both countries; and encourage the development of links between Australian and Indonesian Muslims.



The Muslim Exchange Program 2011/2012 is supported by the Commonwealth through the **Australia-Indonesia Institute** which is part of the **Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade**. The program is organised by the **Islamic Council of Victoria**.

**See over for how to apply**



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### Letters of application should include the following:

1. Brief Curriculum Vitae including contact details, date of birth, and summary of work and organisational experience and relevant qualifications.
2. Current photograph (may be electronic for emailed applications)
3. A statement of purpose, containing the following information:
  - a What you would hope to gain from participating in the Exchange;
  - b What you can offer the Exchange, during and after the visit (such as creating better awareness among Australian Muslims about Indonesia, strengthening relationships and understanding between Islam and other religions, etc.);
  - c An outline of your involvement in the Australian Muslim community;
  - d An indication of people and organisations in Indonesia you would like to meet and particular topics you are interested in pursuing; and
  - e Any previous visits to Indonesia (with dates).
4. Two letters of reference supporting your suitability for the Exchange, one of which should be a recommendation from an Islamic organization in Australia with which you are associated.

All applications must be received by **5pm AEDT, Monday 27 February 2012**. Applications arriving after that date cannot be considered.

Short listed applicants will be invited for interview on **11 March 2012**.

*Email applications are accepted, but references must be emailed/posted directly from the referee.*

Send or Email applications to:

Director, Australia-Indonesia Muslim Exchange Program

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