

MINISTRY OF CIVIL SERVICE AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS MAURITIUS

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From: Senior Chief Executive, Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms

To: Supervising Officers i/c Ministries/Departments

Australia Awards - Africa Fellowships 2015

The Australian Government is offering Africa Fellowships in 2015 to African countries, including Mauritius. The Africa Fellowships will normally last for three months and the fields of study are as follows:

- Agriculture
- Extractives
- Public Policy
- 2. The aim of these Australia Awards Fellowships is to foster and strengthen capacity of partner countries, in the areas mentioned above, for mid to senior level professionals.
- 3. The Australian government will cover the full cost of tuition fees, training materials, accommodation, living expenses, health insurance for basic medical and hospital care in Australia and in Africa, and travel within Africa and to and from Australia. Female candidates and persons with a disability are strongly encouraged to apply.
- 4. This Ministry will organize an Information Sharing session on Friday 17 October 2014 at 10.30 am at Fooks House, 6th Floor, Bourbon Street, Port Louis to better prepare prospective candidates both for the application and interview exercise. Please note that Mrs D. Korlapu -Bungaree has been nominated as Australia Awards Alumni Ambassador and she will act as facilitator for this session. Interested candidates are required to show their expression of interest by email to jnarayanasami@mail.gov.mu at latest by Wednesday 15 October 2014.

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- 5. Applicants can <u>thereafter</u> download the Preliminary Application Form and other documents from the Mauritius page of http://www.australiaawardsafrica.org or from this Ministry's website: http://civilservice.gov.mu. The fellowship offered, are subject to applicants satisfying the established criterias specified in the Desired Applicant Profile (DAP).
- 6. Applications should be submitted either electronically as per instructions on the website (www.australiaawardsafrica.org) or in hard copy directly to Australia Awards (Africa), Pretoria Office, Senior Manager-Awards, GRM International Pty Ltd, 1140 Prospect Street, Level 3, Building 3, Hatfield Square, Hatfield, Pretoria, 0028, South Africa. A hard copy of the application should be submitted to The Senior Chief Executive, Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms, Attn: Mr S. Ramasawmy, 4th Floor, Atom House, Royal Street, Port Louis, through the Supervising Officer of the candidate. The deadline of submission of preliminary applications is Friday 16 January 2015.
- 7. Before submitting their application, <u>officers should imperatively need to obtain confirmation from their respective Supervising Officers that they would be released on being selected for the Africa Fellowships</u>. Upon selection, officers of the civil service would be granted study leave with pay.
- 8. It would be appreciated if the content of this Circular Letter could be brought the soonest possible to the attention of all eligible public officers serving in the different Divisions of your Ministry/Department including Statutory Bodies falling under the purview of your Ministry.

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Senior Chief Executive

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