

Capacity Development Programme in Multilateral Diplomacy

Travel Fund to Attend Meetings Held at International Geneva for the Pacific Islands

Small states with limited geographical, human, and financial resources face the challenge of doing more with less: they need to employ all available methods to increase their representation, including networks, alliances, and information technology tools. In addition, diplomats from small and remote states often lack the experience and exposure to Geneva-based institutions and processes that would allow them to ensure that the interests of their nations are well represented.

The **CD Multi** is a two-year programme financed by the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland, operated by DiploFoundation.

Following the CD Pacific, a similar programme implemented two years ago, we have secured a follow-up project in the framework of the CD Multi that involves a flexible travel fund for diplomats and other officials from the Pacific Islands.

What is involved

DiploFoundation will cover travel, accommodation and local costs of selected diplomats/officials from the Pacific Islands to attend any formal meetings held in International Geneva, in particular in the areas of climate change diplomacy, global health diplomacy, human rights, humanitarian diplomacy, Internet governance and digital policy, and trade diplomacy. The trip will involve a personalised and tailored programme as well as immersion activities around the selected meetings.

Criteria for selection

Applicants must:

- be nationals of a Pacific Island
- be currently employed
- work on areas that are covered in International Geneva in their current position

Participants of the CD Pacific programme and Diplo alumni are in particular encouraged to apply.

Timeframe

The meeting applied for must take place between November 2016 and December 2017. The application deadline is ongoing, until exhaustion of the travel fund. Early applications are therefore strongly encouraged.

How to apply

Contact Tereza Horejsova at **terezah@diplomacy.edu** for more information about the fund and your eligibility.

More information at http://www.diplomacy.edu/capacity/CDmulti

