



Australia Awards

# Australia Awards PNG CAFÉ Peer-to-peer networking initiative



**Australia Awards Papua New Guinea is seeking Australian volunteers from a range of professional and personal backgrounds to participate in a peer-to-peer networking initiative called CAFÉ.**

## **About Australia Awards Papua New Guinea**

Australia Awards Papua New Guinea (AAPNG) are prestigious scholarships awarded to the next generation of global leaders. Through study, research and networking activities in Australia, PNG awardees develop the skills and knowledge to drive change in their home country and build enduring people-to-people links with Australia.

## **About CAFÉ (Connection, Association Friendship, Exchange)**

CAFÉ aims to connect PNG awardees with Australians with similar backgrounds and interests. Each Australian peer will be paired with one PNG peer.

CAFÉ will run until the end of 2019. We recommend peers catch up in person a minimum of two to three times, however there are no formal requirements as such. Beyond that, any further contact is at the discretion of the CAFÉ peers.

CAFÉ peers can take part in various activities, including for example:

- meeting over a coffee
- sharing a BBQ in a park
- enjoying an Australian cultural or sporting event
- showing the PNG peer around an Australian workplace.





## About Papua New Guinean awardees

Awardees are generally mid-career professionals who will make a significant contribution to their sectors in PNG.

Awardees are drawn from across the private, public and civil society sectors. Their professional fields include (but are not limited to) agriculture, business, education, environment, finance, governance, health, law and justice, and transport and infrastructure.

Awardees are studying mostly postgraduate degrees at a range of institutions across Australia, with the highest number of awardees located in Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne. Depending on their course duration, they are in Australia between from six months to four years.

## How do I get involved?

Australian volunteers in Adelaide, Brisbane, Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney, Townsville and Perth can register their interest at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AAPNGCAFE>

CAFÉ is about bringing people together, so matches will first be guided by your location. We will also consider your professional and personal interests, background, age, gender and education.

Once you are matched, we will send a joint introductory email. This email will include an overview of you and your PNG peer, requesting you initiate contact. Your PNG peer will also be encouraged to initiate contact.

AAPNG's On-award Enrichment Coordinator will be the central point of contact if any issues arise. Participants can also inform the coordinator if they wish to opt out at any time throughout the year.

For more background on the Australia Awards Scholarships program please visit:

[www.australiaawardspng.org](http://www.australiaawardspng.org)  
[www.australiaawards.gov.au](http://www.australiaawards.gov.au)

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