

Temporary Return of Qualified Nationals (TRQN) project

Making a contribution to the reconstruction and development of Afghanistan, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, Serbia, Sierra Leone and Sudan

The Temporary Return of Qualified Nationals (TRQN) project was launched in April 2006 by the International Organization for Migration. The objective is to contribute to the reconstruction and development of a number of former war areas, namely Afghanistan, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, Serbia, **Sierra Leone and Sudan**. This is done by temporarily placing in each target country highly educated persons who originate from that country but live in the Netherlands. The focus of the project is on passing on knowledge and experience.

IOM INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION

IOM was founded in 1951 by a number of countries, including the Netherlands. One of its activities comprises the transport, supervision and resettlement of migrants all over the world. IOM is established in more than 100 countries and works together with governmental, intergovernmental and civil society organizations.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE TRQN PROJECT?

The project, which will run till the end of April 2008, is intended for:

- highly educated migrants who originate from one of the target countries and are

currently living in the Netherlands;

- public and private sector employers in the target countries.

HOW DOES THE PROJECT WORK?

The TRQN project places qualified nationals in the relevant target **country**. They are chosen based on their qualifications and the specific needs of the target **countries**. The duration of these temporary placements varies from a few weeks to a maximum of six months. A candidate can be placed in the target country one or more times.

The procedure is as follows:

- Interested candidates in the Netherlands send their **curriculum vitae** (CV) and a completed application form to IOM in The Hague. On the application form, the candidate indicates to which country **he/she** wants to go, for how long and in which discipline **he/she** wants to pass on knowledge;
- IOM matches the candidates' expertise and experience to the needs of employers in the target countries, and then selects candidates in close cooperation with the employers;
- IOM offers assistance with **both** the preparations and the transport of the candidate and during **his/her** placement in the target **country**.

IOM IS COMMITTED TO THE PRINCIPLE THAT HUMANE AND ORDERLY MIGRATION BENEFITS MIGRANTS AND SOCIETY.

AS AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL BODY, IOM ACTS WITH ITS PARTNERS IN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO:

ASSIST IN MEETING THE OPERATIONAL CHALLENGES OF MIGRATION;

ADVANCE UNDERSTANDING OF MIGRATION ISSUES;

ENCOURAGE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT THROUGH MIGRATION; AND

WORK TOWARDS EFFECTIVE RESPECT OF THE HUMAN DIGNITY AND WELL BEING OF MIGRANTS.



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WHAT ARE THE GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATION?

Applicants must:

- originate from one of the target countries;
- possess Dutch nationality or a permanent Dutch residence permit;
- be highly educated and have at least three years of relevant work experience;
- have good communicative skills;
- be highly motivated.

WHAT DOES IOM PROVIDE?

The TRQN participants are considered volunteers. **IOM** provides logistic and financial support to those who are on a placement. This support comprises:

- reimbursement of travelling expenses, accommodation and living costs in the target country;
- assistance with applying for official documents;
- organizing transport to the relevant country;
- provision of travel insurance: support and monitoring during the placement.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For additional information about the project or application, please contact **IOM**. If you wish to participate in the project, please download the application form from the **IOM website**. Send the completed form along with your CV to:

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This information sheet is also available in Albanian, Bosnian, Dari, Dutch and Serbian and can be downloaded from the **IOM website**.

IOM carries out projects in close cooperation with local partners in the target countries and with organizations of nationals from these countries who are currently living in the Netherlands.

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