



New South Wales migration agents newsletter

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Welcome to the eleventh NSW newsletter for migration agents. In this edition we look at:

- 2006 NSW migration program results
- NSW China Desk and India Desk for significant investors
- New Regional Certifying Body (RCB) in the Hunter
- Changes to skills in demand lists for SIR visa in Orana and Murray regions of NSW
- Upcoming Careers & Employment Expos in several States
- NSW careers promotions for finance industry professionals in Brisbane and Melbourne.

NSW Migration Program Results for 2006

www.business.nsw.gov.au/migration

Business Migration

NSW received 403 applications for sponsorship in 2006, sponsored 366 visa applications and declined 29. The Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) approved 178 applicants sponsored by NSW and declined 31. Over 85% of applicants sponsored by NSW are granted a visa by DIAC.

The applications sponsored by NSW in 2006 are expected to bring \$116 million in investment, create 1071 new jobs and generate \$571 million in exports.

STNI

NSW has sponsored 123 applicants since this program began in late February 2006. This includes 35 finance industry professionals, 30 experienced ICT specialists and 57 scientists and chemists. The 123 applicants included 8 PhDs and 7 offshore Masters Degrees.

Regional Migration

In 2006 NSW supported 539 regional visa applications, an increase of 45% over 2005. This includes RSMS and Regional 457 visa applications certified by NSW RCBs and SIR visa applications sponsored by NSW RCBs.

The performance of the Murray RCB was outstanding. They supported 137 applications including sponsoring 69 SIR visa applications.

NSW China Desk

The NSW China Desk has been created to provide inward investment facilitation, advice and coordination for significant investors in NSW from China.

If you have a client with plans to invest more than \$1 million in NSW please contact:

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NSW India Desk

The NSW India Desk provides a similar service for significant investors in NSW from India. For assistance please contact:

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Exporting to China

The 101st Canton Import and Export Fair will be held 15-30 April 2007. For the first time there will be an International Pavilion. To find out how to promote your products at this Fair you can attend a meeting with the organiser on Friday 30 March, 11.00 am to 12.30 pm, Parkes Room Level 47 MLC Centre 19 Martin Place. To register please email the NSW China Desk (contact details above).

Hunter RCB

www.hunterregion.com/hedc

The Hunter Economic Development Corporation (HEDC) will be taking over as the Regional Certifying Body in the Hunter region, replacing Hunter Councils Inc in the next few months. HEDC plans to become more active in regional migration programs. Contact details for HEDC are:

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Review of SIR Skills in Demand Lists

The Orana ACC and Murray RCB have amended the occupations they will sponsor for the SIR visa. Some occupations have been removed and others have been added. This reflects the success of the SIR visa in attracting sufficient skilled workers to fill these shortages.

An updated list of skills in demand in Orana and Murray is available at the NSW migration web site: www.business.nsw.gov.au/migration.

Finance Career Promotions

NSW will promote career opportunities for young professionals in the finance industry in Sydney at the following events:

Brisbane Hilton
Monday 30 April 5.30 - 7.30 pm

Grand Hyatt on Collins
Monday 4 June 5.30 – 7.30 pm

For more information please email
bizmigration@business.nsw.gov.au.

National Careers & Employment Expos

(www.eocexpo.com.au)

NSW will be promoting opportunities for skilled workers in NSW at the following Careers & Employment Expos:

Perth	30-31 March
Brisbane	20-22 April
Melbourne	11-12 May
Adelaide	25-26 May
Sydney	22-23 June

There will be a chance to win a gift certificate for the Sydney Harbour Bridge Climb for skilled workers who register for NSW Jobs News, a newsletter for skilled workers in other States.

The Northern Inland Regional Development Board, an RCB, will be represented at the

Brisbane expo and the Murray Regional Development Board will attend in Melbourne.

Pronunciation Matters

(www.pronunciationmatters.com.au)

English language skills are critical to the success of business and skilled migrants. Pronunciation Matters is a new training consultancy targeting migrants who are competent in English but need extra assistance. For more information contact

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AIIESEC

(www.aiesec.org/australia)

AIIESEC operates a Global Internship program supplying interns in accounting, IT and engineering to Australian employers as well as providing offshore internships for Australian students. For more information contact:

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Staff Update

The NSW Business Migration team welcomes Ellen Kelly, who has joined the Department under its Graduate program.



John Angeles, Henry Cheung, Tom McAlary, Ellen Kelly & Lita Aganon (L to R). Lily Cheung is on leave.

In front of the Archibald Fountain, Hyde Park Sydney