



## **Media Release: Candidates wanted to build Australia-Indonesia youth links**

**November 4, 2013:** The Australia-Indonesia Youth Association's chapters in the Northern Territory, Queensland, South Australia and Tasmania today announced their search for candidates to become its next Chapter President. The volunteer positions, based in state capital cities, are responsible for the strategic direction and day-to-day management of the chapter.

The Australia-Indonesia Youth Association (AIYA) is a non-government, youth-led organisation with chapters in every Australian state and territory, as well as Jakarta. The position is open to young people aged 18-35 years old with an interest in the bilateral relationship, who are currently completing, or have graduated with, a bachelor's degree or equivalent.

Luke Gosling OAM, outgoing Chapter President, NT, said: "If you have a love of Indonesia its people, and its culture—and an interest in its business potential—the Darwin chapter of the Australia-Indonesia Youth Association needs you." Mr Gosling added, "the position represents a terrific opportunity to contribute to the bilateral relationship."

Research by PriceWaterhouseCoopers suggests that the Indonesian economy will outgrow Australia's by 2023, and is set to become the world's eighth-largest by the year 2050.

AIYA reaches an audience of 3,500 young people across Australia and Indonesia, and has already established active committees in capital cities across Australia, including Darwin. AIYA was recently responsible for the inaugural Conference of Australian and Indonesian Youth in Canberra, a four-day event which brought together 30 young leaders from both countries.

The Chapter President's responsibilities including organising events and opportunities for students and young professionals in their respective states, recruiting members, representing AIYA at community events, and working with AIYA's partner organisations.

Applications are now open at <http://aiya.org.au/get-involved-with-aiya/chapter-president/>.

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