



Guyana Diaspora (GUYD) Project

"Let's Build Guyana Together"

"To contribute to the economic development of Guyana through the support and engagement of the Guyanese diaspora."

The Government of Guyana through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Guyana in partnership with the International Organization for Migration (IOM) in its efforts to promote social and economic development through migration has embarked on the Guyana Diaspora (GUYD) Project. This project seeks to engage the Guyanese Diaspora all over the world by documenting skills, resources, interests and plans

of those willing to support Guyana's development.

Through a mapping exercise, the project sets out to acquire information on persons, organizations and associations that constitute the Diaspora; which regions/countries they can be found and most importantly, what skills they may possess and are willing to share for the development of their homeland.

IOM Mission

"Managing Migration for the Benefit of All"

IOM is committed to the principle that humane and orderly migration benefits migrants and society.

GUYD Project Activities

Mapping Guyana's Diaspora

The GUYD Project staff will conduct an overall mapping of the Guyanese Diaspora to analyze available skills and resources that can be employed by public and private organizations and institutions in Guyana.

The mapping will be carried out through an online survey of the Diaspora. Introduction workshops, interviews and conversations will be conducted between project staff and members of the Guyanese Diaspora in selected cities. Please go to: (www.guydproject.iom.int) for calendar of activities.

Who is eligible to participate in GUYD Project?

All Guyanese living overseas with a general interest to support the development of Guyana and willingness to share their skills, knowledge and experiences.

All children of Guyanese parentage who have a general interest to support the development of Guyana and willingness to share their skills, knowledge and experiences.

Reaching the Diaspora through Social Networks and Web tools

The project will utilize social networks such as Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn and other online media that will allow for easy participation in the mapping exercise.

Introduction Workshops

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) including its High Commissions, Embassies and Consulates and the IOM staff will meet and interact with members of the Diaspora groups and organizations at introduction workshops. These individuals and groups will be encouraged to participate in the online survey.

Make your participation count

The data derived from the survey will be used by the project's representatives to compile data on who constitutes the Guyanese Diaspora, where they can be found (state and country), what skills, resources and experiences they have and would like to share, where their interest lie and what expectations they may have in sharing their skills in Guyana. The information will be collected on a database and can inform the second phase of the project which will facilitate the matching of skills to the needs and gaps within the private and public sectors in Guyana. The information shared will be treated with strict confidentiality and will only be used for its intended purpose.

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