

Prosperity's Secondment Program
An LEA Global Success Story

# Agenda

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- Program Overview (when, where, how)
- Secondee Attributes
- Why? A win-win-win.



# **Program Overview**





#### Program Structure and Support



- Comprehensive onboarding (including local terminology and accounting matters) and induction processes (welcome gift)
- Clear timeline for the secondment (personal travel may occur pre/post secondment)
- Guidance to access working holiday visa application (must be completed by secondee)
- Guidance on travel arrangements (paid by sending firm/ secondee)
- Accommodation arranged by host firm
- Regular check-ins to ensure a smooth transition and experience
- Focus on both work and cultural immersion in host locations



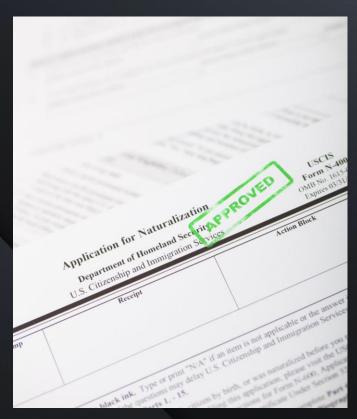
## Timeline (Australian Host)



- Secondment Commencement Date
  - Mid-late July
- Secondment Conclusion Date
  - Mid-Late October
- Period of Stay
  - Approximately 3 months



# Working Holiday Visa (Australia)



- Australia offers Working Holiday Visa
  - Easy application process
  - However not accessible for all countries
- Visa type
  - Subclass 417
  - Recommend application by 31 March )for secondments commencing in July)

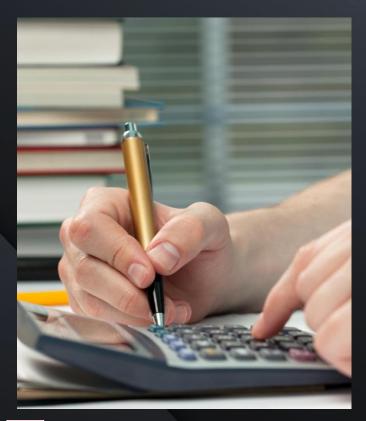


# Secondee Attributes





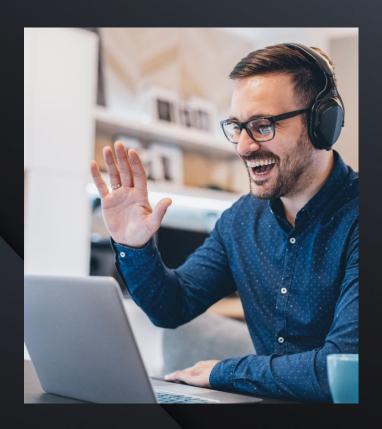
#### Secondee Profile and Requirements



- 2-3 secondees are needed for Prosperity's program each year
- Additional secondees needed for other Australian LEA firms
- Candidates should be senior accountants with 2-4 years of experience, however this is a guide only
- Conversational English skills is essential for client engagement, we have hosted numerous ESL secondees
- Secondees should be open, enthusiastic, and eager for professional growth
- The ideal secondee seeks to broaden their skill set



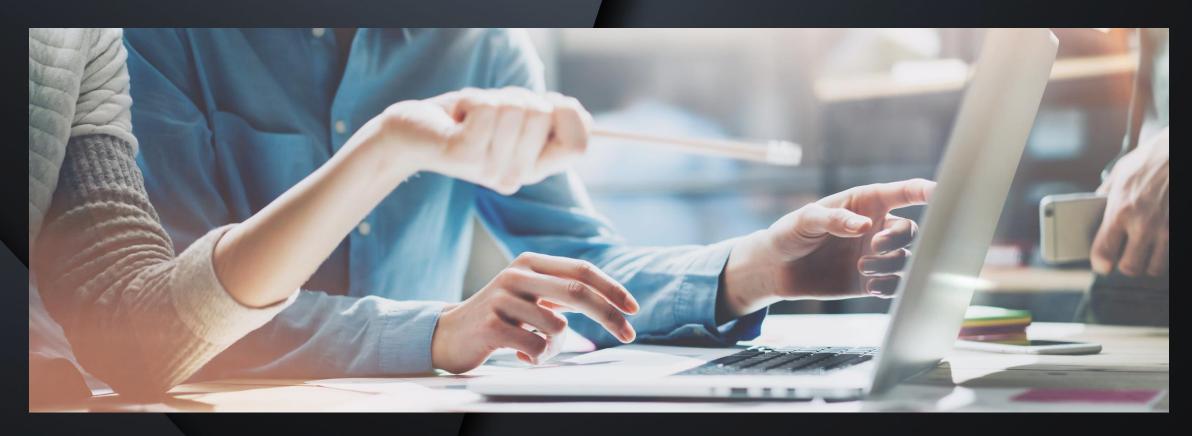
#### Common Barriers to Overcome



Issue	How we have overcome
Fear of the unknown What do I wear? What clients will I work on? Can I drink the water? Will the animals get me?	<ul> <li>Q&amp;A sessions held prior to secondment.</li> <li>Accommodation arranged locally.</li> <li>'Buddy' arrangement with a local team member.</li> </ul>
Home sickness	• 2-3 secondees hosted so there is an immediate 'family' away from home.
English as a second language (ESL)	<ul> <li>Most ESL speakers underestimate their language capability.</li> <li>Secondees always work as part of a team.</li> <li>Google translate.</li> </ul>
Home country housing and family commitments	<ul> <li>Secondee salary/wage continues to be paid.</li> <li>Local accommodation paid by host firm.</li> <li>However, many secondees rent out their home and/or move out of rented accommodation in their home country.</li> <li>Whilst not ideal, advance notice of family events may be accommodated, however is typically at secondee expense.</li> </ul>



# Why?





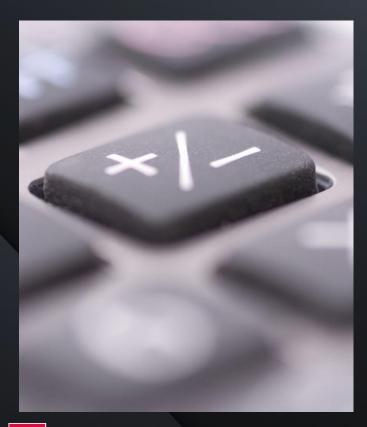
## Benefits of the Program (Secondee)



- Enhances professional skills and knowledge through realworld experience.
- Fosters cultural exchange and networking with international colleagues.
- Provides exposure to diverse working environments for personal growth.
- Offers structured support for logistics like accommodation and travel.
- Encourages career advancement.



## Benefits of the Program (Firms)



- Both firms:
  - Match resources and capacity with peak workflow.
  - Fosters cultural exchange and networking with international colleagues.
  - Promote your firm as an 'international firm' compete with the Big4/Top10
  - Reward mechanism for high performers.
- Typical arrangement per secondee:
  - Host:
    - Additional production (revenue): AUD 120,000.
    - Net production adjustments: AUD (40,000).
    - Secondee salary (€17,100) converted to AUD (28,635).
    - Accommodation costs AUD (9,000).
    - Miscellaneous expenses AUD (5,000) for gifts, local travel, allowances.
    - Net result: AUD 37,365.
  - Sending Firm:
    - Secondee salary (€17,100) received, so are no worse off, AUD 28,635.
    - Airfare expenses are estimated to be AUD (2,000) (although some firms have the secondee pay)
    - Net result: AUD 26,635.

