

GEELONG REGION SKILLED MIGRATION PROJECT

IS YOUR BUSINESS EXPERIENCING SKILL SHORTAGES?

WE CAN ASSIST EMPLOYERS SOURCE AND ATTRACT
SKILLED TALENT TO FILL EMPLOYMENT VACANCIES
UNABLE TO BE FILLED LOCALLY





HOW WE CAN ASSIST EMPLOYERS

The Geelong Region Skilled Migration Project is a free of charge service that can assist your business:

- **Source, attract and retain** skilled talent to fill positions that cannot be filled locally
 - Promote Geelong's **skill shortages** overseas and across Australia
 - Promote Geelong as a **destination of choice** to attract overseas talent
 - Connect directly into **State Government resources** such as overseas Expos, which promote regional opportunities for employment and investment in regional Victoria into markets including the United Kingdom, India, South Africa and China
 - Access a **Government database** of skilled professionals interested in moving to Australia
 - Support employers to learn and understand more about skilled migration
 - Provide information to local employers about the range of possible skilled migration options and key resources available to them
 - Provide key information, linkages and support to employers sponsoring skilled migrants
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- Identify the most **appropriate visa** and assist with visa queries
 - Connect directly with **the Department of Immigration and Citizenship** to assist employers with their queries and concerns
 - Assist Employers with various **retention strategies** once they have employed a skilled migrant
 - We can **link employers** to various sources of skilled professionals including both Skilled talent already living in Victoria and Skilled talent overseas considering migration



WE ALSO ASSIST SKILLED TALENT

We provide:

- Information regarding the process for skills recognition, obtaining registration or becoming licensed to work in Geelong
- A “Welcome Session” for new arrivals to the region and provision of information about living and working locally,
- Assistance with visa or immigration queries
- Support to spouses and family members in finding employment
- Social networking opportunities for new arrivals

RSMS - THE VISA FOR REGIONAL EMPLOYERS

The Department of Immigration and Citizenship's **Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme (RSMS)** is a visa designed to **assist employers in regional areas** having difficulty filling vacancies to attract skilled overseas professionals.

Why consider an RSMS Visa?

- This employer sponsored permanent residency visa has **no charges or obligations** for the employer, other than offering the employee two year's full time work
- The visa is given the **highest priority** for processing by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship
- The visa is **specifically** for employers in **Regional** areas
- The employees applying for a visa can be skilled workers from **overseas** or skilled **temporary** residents currently in Australia
- The Geelong Region Skilled Migration Project can assist both the employer and applicant with RSMS queries

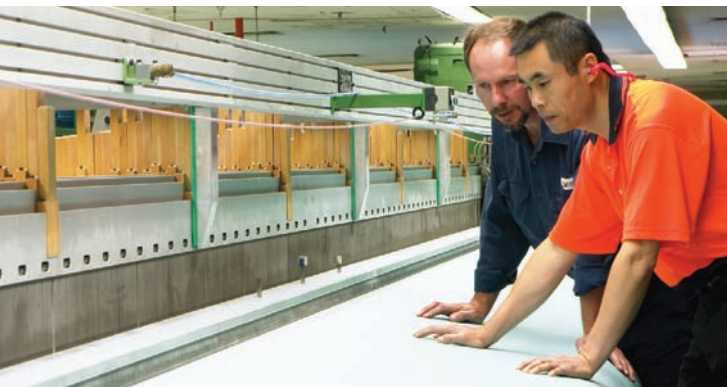


ABOUT THE GEELONG REGION SKILLED MIGRATION PROJECT

The City of Greater Geelong's Economic Development Unit is funded by the Victorian State Government to assist local businesses across the region to fill genuine skill shortages with skilled overseas talent. The Geelong region is one of 11 Victorian regional areas that participate in the Global Skills for Provincial Victoria

Program. The Program forms part of the State Government's Victorian Skilled Migration Strategy.

The project assists businesses operating across the Geelong Region which includes the City of Greater Geelong, Surf Coast Shire, Golden Plains Shire and Borough of Queenscliffe.



FURTHER INFORMATION

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