



Australian Government

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Chief Information Officer

SENIOR EXECUTIVE SERVICE BAND 2

Ongoing/Non-ongoing, Full time position

THE OPPORTUNITY

As Chief Information Officer, you will provide strategic leadership and management of DFAT's information and communication technology (ICT). You will lead teams delivering client-focused ICT enabling services including strategic ICT and ICT policy, operations, cyber security, and new business capability. As a member of the department's leadership, you will support our ambitious and forward-looking reform agenda by leading the ICT transformation. This includes developing a strong ICT capability to support our workforce needs while also building capability required to achieve departmental priorities and outcomes. In a rapidly changing and increasingly contested global operating environment, you will play a vital role in developing and embedding ICT strategies, practices and policies to support a contemporary, agile and responsive ICT enabling service.

OUR IDEAL CANDIDATE

You will have extensive experience leading and motivating teams across a range of ICT functions, adopting a collaborative and inclusive leadership approach. You will have a track record of success in leading ICT at a senior level and experience in establishing and driving transformative change initiatives and developing innovative solutions for complex and geographically dispersed organisations.

You will be able to establish broad networks of people and organisations and be adept at communicating sensitively with stakeholders from diverse backgrounds, experiences, and cultures. You will manage sensitive and complex issues, with a focus on accountability and the application of strong judgement to deal with ambiguity and change.

Strategic thinking, the ability to effectively manage risks and a high level of conceptual and analytical skills are essential to this role. Your performance will be judged by results and how you uphold APS and departmental values, including exemplary standards of integrity and professionalism.

Tertiary qualifications (and/or demonstrated equivalent experience) in an ICT discipline is highly desirable. Demonstrated understanding of Commonwealth public sector governance frameworks and ICT best practice is required. We welcome those with experience across the private, public and/or non-profit sectors.

A minimum of five years' experience leading ICT in organisations with diverse workforces, multiple capability requirements and varying local operating environments would be valuable.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Candidates must be Australian citizens.

This is a security-designated position. Prior to engagement the selected candidate will be required to obtain an Australian national security clearance at Negative Vetting Level 2 and may be required to obtain a clearance at Positive Vetting. Ongoing employment with the department requires the successful candidate to maintain a security clearance. Loss of a security clearance at any time will lead to termination of employment.

An interview is a critical part of the security clearance process. The interview method (i.e. face-to-face or video conferencing) will be assessed on a case-by-case basis, taking into account advice from the Australian Government Department of Health and relevant state and territory governments.

Please visit the DFAT website to view further details of the position and to submit an online application by **Sunday 20 September 2020 at 11:30pm AEST**.

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