

Information sheet: Global Talent Independent Program Overview

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ACS nomination for Global Talent Independent (GTI) Program

ACS is the peak professional association for Australia's Information and Communication (ICT) sector. ACS is a recognised nominating Australian organisation for Global Talent candidates.

The Australian Government's <u>Global Talent Independent program (GTI)</u> targets highly skilled and talented individuals and is designed to attract the best and brightest skilled migrants to Australia. If this sounds like you, your employee or your migration client, ACS can help!

Candidates who meet eligibility requirements are invited by The Department of Home Affairs to apply for a Distinguished Talent visa. One of the requirements of this visa is that an Australian organisation or individual with a reputation in the same field as the applicant, attests to their record of achievement in the field. For details click here.

An ACS nomination will help strengthen your application. As the peak ICT industry body in Australia, the Department of Home Affairs (DHA) will accept nominations from the ACS and considers the ACS as an organisation with a national reputation in the following target sector groups under the GTI program:

- DigiTech (Quantum Information/Advanced Digital/Data Science/ICT/Cyber Security etc.)
- FinTech (candidates with a predominantly tech focus)
- AgTech (candidates with a predominantly tech focus)

Steps in a Global Talent Independent (GTI) Program application nominated by ACS:

- ❖ **Step-1**: In order for us to do a preliminary assessment of your eligibility for ACS nomination, please email the following information and supporting evidence to <u>Assessment@acs.org.au</u>:
 - Colour scan of your passport bio-page
 - Current Contact Details including address & contact number
 - Detailed CV/Resume
 - Confirmation of which target sector you believe would apply to you
 - Further details to substantiate how you meet the following criteria (*please include this information in a PDF document*):
 - Whether you are internationally recognised, and your achievements are also exceptional and outstanding
 - o Whether you are still prominent in your field
 - o Whether your settlement in Australia will be an asset to the Australian community
 - Whether your contribution will be of benefit to Australia as a whole.
 - Documentary evidence to substantiate the claims on the criteria above, such as:
 - work reference letters from current and past employers endorsing your achievements and project contributions
 - o academic degrees or professional designations associated with ICT/DigiTech industry
 - o national and international awards and accolades
 - o statements from prominent business leaders and industry peers
 - newspaper and magazine articles or links to reputable website attesting to your achievements and/or awards



- evidence of patents, trademarks, publications, copyrights, and other intellectual property held
- o details of current and recently held senior positions in a sizable business or organisation.
- o Evidence of delivering a presentation at professional forums, conferences and events
- Evidence of your current remuneration/salary

❖ Step 2:

- o We may request you to provide further information and/or supporting evidence
- As a part of the assessment process, we will use a range of means to investigate the candidate's background and verify the veracity of the evidence and claims being made.
- o We may also require a brief phone or video interview during the assessment

❖ Step 3:

- We will advise you whether ACS can proceed with a GTI nomination
- o If assessed "suitable", we will ask for a fee payment of \$500
- We will provide you with a Nomination for Distinguished Talent (Form 1000) presenting a
 case to the government for why you would be an asset to the Australian tech sector