



## **Guide for an Effective Application for the Endeavour Vocational Education and Training Awards**

### **The opportunity of a lifetime**

The Endeavour Vocational Education and Training Awards provide you with a unique opportunity to take the next step in your study or career. Valued at up to A\$119, 500, this Award enables you to study a vocational course at the Diploma, Advanced Diploma or Associate Degree level in any field of study in Australia.

Vocational education and training provides work-related knowledge and skills for careers in practical, traditionally non-academic occupations. The courses undertaken as part of the Award should directly relate to the trade, occupation or 'vocation' in which you participate. These courses exclude degree and higher level programs normally delivered by universities.

Vocational education and training enhances employability by developing expertise in a specific field and equips learners with skills for a lifelong career.

### **Applying is easy**

- Once you have determined your eligibility and read the Award terms and conditions on the Endeavour Awards website, simply follow the links to the online application. This will guide you through the process, providing help at every step.
- You will need to provide a range of supporting documents with your application. These include a letter of offer from an Australian institution, evidence of citizenship and English language proficiency.
- It is recommended that you provide a sound proposal detailing reasons for choosing field of study, your related accomplishments and links to Malaysia in general.
- You will also be required to provide a statement describing the program that you have selected and the benefits it will have in Malaysia and Australia as well as a brief outline of the program.
- In a document detailing how the Award would benefit you, include statements on the advantages of gaining an internationally recognised and a high quality qualification and if possible, include suggestions of establishing and sustaining linkages between your home and host institutions. You are also encouraged to comment on the opportunity to meet and mix with Australians and other international students.
- It is very important to have favourable reports describing an excellent performance by your referees.
- It is also preferred that your written statements are well-written, with no or minimal grammatical errors.
- Eligible applications will be assessed by independent selection panels of academics and professionals in Australia. This transparent, merit-based selection process ensures the integrity of the Awards.

**Application for commencement in 2010  
opens on 6 April 2009 and closes on 31 July 2009**