

PACE 2007

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PHILIPPINES

Philippines Inbound Agents

Participation Fee

2 Hour visit	\$2,000 + GST	One Full Day	\$3,750 + GST
Two Full Days	\$6,500 + GST	Three Full Days	\$7,950 + GST

Dates 19 - 28 August

Sectors UNI, ITP, PTE

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It is important that agents have first hand experience and are well informed about the New Zealand education system. The inbound visit and meetings with education institutions gives the agents a better understanding of New Zealand as an education destination.

The Philippine agents are interested in the following programmes, primarily university and technical vocational programmes. Nursing, Electrical, Graphic design, Business, Architecture, IT, Engineering, Enterprising courses, Pure Science, Applied Sciences, Agriculture, Teaching and Education, Hospitality etc. These are courses are popular at almost all levels, secondary level, tertiary and post graduate levels.

The agents are keen to promote New Zealand as an education, tourism, and migration destination to their potential clients. There are only a few education agents in the market that promote New Zealand as a study destination. Institutions interested in this market will need to build and maintain working relationships with agents.

Agents that have registered their interest in participating are

- 1) Institute for Foreign Study Inc (IFS)**
 - Ms Maricar Sedigo, President
- 2) Travezo Inc Immigration and Travel Consultancy**
 - Batty Thew, CEO
- 3) iMeets Limited**
 - Loreen Carlos, Business Development Manager

4) New Zealand Education Consultancy Services

– Dr. Murray Peter Heasley

The definite list of travelling agents will be communicated to participants once their participation is confirmed to ENZ.

Each year Education New Zealand invites around 15 groups of agents to travel to New Zealand on familiarisation visits of educational institutions. By taking part in these visits, agents improve and update their knowledge of New Zealand educational opportunities and make new contacts for ongoing business.

New Zealand participants in the Inbound programme benefit from meeting new agents and promoting their school or region. Hosting a group of agents and giving them the first hand experience of an area commonly leads to solid relationships being formed.

Two options for hosting agents are available; either a two hour time slot for one institution or a regional/cluster option for a number of days at a time. The regional/cluster option allows groups to more effectively give agents the flavour of the region as well as institutional information. By international standards, New Zealand has quite a homogeneous education system, and so the key 'unique sales proposition' for many institutions is as much the region they are in as the institution itself. This can be a good way of working together to share the cost and benefits.

An independent survey of past participants of the Inbound Agent programme was carried out early in 2006; this report is available for downloading at the 'Planning for Success' section of the ENZ website. Here you will also see a document titled 'Guidelines for Regions/Clusters'.

The Philippines Inbound visit will be organised based on demand, the itinerary is drafted based on those who register their time. Often it is difficult to provide the exact list of agents expected to travel to New Zealand at the time of registration, as agents have not been invited at that stage, however we can often advise the potential agents a few months before they are actually confirmed.

The ENZ project manager for each visit will work closely with registered participants to ensure that the proposed visit meets the objectives of both institutions and agents. The ENZ marketing team is only too happy to give advice and guidance if you are thinking about how a visit might work for you.

More information about Inbound Visits can be found at www.educationnz.org.nz/inbound