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LAUNCH OF THE 2018 AUSTRALIA AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS

Australian Ambassador to Cambodia, Her Excellency Angela Corcoran, and Minister of Education, Youth and Sport, His Excellency Dr Hang Chuon Naron, will launch the next round of the Australia Awards Scholarships at a special event in Phnom Penh on 1 February 2017.

Australia Awards Scholarships are prestigious international awards offered by the Australian Government to the next generation of global leaders. Australia Awards Scholarships provide Cambodians with the opportunity to obtain postgraduate qualifications at a Masters and PhD level at an Australian tertiary institution.

“Education is key part of Australia’s strong and enduring bilateral relationship and Cambodia,” Ambassador Corcoran said.

“These scholarships make it possible for Cambodians to study at Australia’s world-class higher education institutions, and to live, learn and meet new friends in Australia’s diverse, modern and exciting cities,” the Ambassador said.

Many Australian Alumni have returned to Cambodia to take up positions as ministers, senior Government officials, or leading professionals in their fields, including as CEOs, managers, directors and researchers.

At the event, the Ambassador and His Excellency Dr Hang Chuon Naron will also welcome home 61 Cambodian Australia Award scholars who graduated from Australian universities in 2016.

Applications for the 2018 Australia Awards Scholarships will be open from 1 February until 30 April 2017. Applicants from all fields of study are invited to apply.

Australia Awards Scholarships are open to applicants from the public and private sectors. The Australian Government is committed to providing opportunities for all people, and applications are strongly encouraged from women, people with disabilities and people from the provinces.

For more information about the Australia Awards, please visit: www.australiaawards.gov.au

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