

## EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST LAWS

### Study Tour for Professionals in the Area of Effective Implementation of the Conflict of Interest Laws

The Community Connections Program offers 3-week, homestay-based, practical training opportunities in the United States for professionals that demonstrate aptitude and leadership potential in different fields. In the field of Effective Implementation of the Conflict of Interest Laws, ten professionals from Serbia will have the opportunity to meet with their U.S. counterparts and learn how conflict of interest laws are implemented, respected, applied, and enforced in the U.S. and how conflict of interest or ethics boards operate; to understand how data is collected, managed, investigated, and which data is open to the public; to see good examples of solving cases related to conflict of interest from beginning to end; to learn about techniques of raising public awareness on conflict of interest issues; and explore different approaches that federal and local governments, businesses, and civil society groups use in combating corruption and preventing conflict of interest.

All expenses in the U.S., including international airfare, insurance, professional and cultural programs and room and board are covered (passport fees and travel within Serbia are not included).

### Goals of the program

- To provide participants with professional training and practical exposure to effective implementation of conflict of interest laws
- To encourage public-private partnerships in Serbia
- To create links between U.S. and Serbian communities

### Community Connections Program

Community Connections is a United States Agency for International Development program designed to promote the exchange of cultural ideas and values between Serbian participants, U.S. families, and U.S. local community host organizations. Managed by USAID and implemented by World Learning in Serbia and Washington, DC, the program works in collaboration with the Public Affairs Department of the U.S. Embassy in Serbia and host exchange organizations in U.S. communities selected by USAID. These host organizations arrange for the home stays and the professional development aspects of the program. Community Connections is currently being conducted in several other countries in Europe and Eurasia.

### Recruitment

World Learning will be recruiting for professionals in the field of Effective Implementation of Conflict of Interest Laws beginning on January 13, 2010. Eligible candidates must submit an application form by the **deadline of February 5, 2010**. Only shortlisted candidates will be invited for an interview.

### Who can apply?

In order to be eligible for Community Connections Program – Effective Implementation of Conflict of Interest Laws, applicants **must** be employees of the Anti-Corruption Agency, representatives from NGOs that are dealing with the issue of conflict of interest, representatives from municipalities that have adopted the ethical code of conduct and have monitoring boards, university professors from related faculties, Independent Public Administrative groups (Office of the Commissioner for Information of Public Importance and Data Protection, State Audit Institution, etc.) or journalists with significant and demonstrated positive involvement in the area of conflict of interest, and fulfill the following **general requirements**:

- Be a citizen of Serbia and currently reside and work in Serbia
- Able to demonstrate professional aptitude and leadership potential in the chosen field
- Have significant experience in the field and plan to work for at least two more years in the field



- Complete all the necessary forms
- Eligible to receive and maintain a U.S. J-1 visa
- Committed to returning to Serbia immediately upon completion of the program
- Willing to live with a host family in the United States

[For more information or to get an application please contact World Learning or visit our website.](#)



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