



Australia Awards

Australia Awards Short Course

Conflict Prevention: Approaches and Tools for Maintaining Peace in the Indo-Pacific



Australia Awards in Indonesia is seeking applications for the **Australia Awards Short Course on Conflict prevention: Approaches and tools for maintaining peace in the Indo-Pacific**. Australia and Indonesia share a common goal of maintaining a peaceful, stable and prosperous Indo-Pacific. The Australia-Indonesia Partnership for Peace and Stability recognises our shared objective in reducing the risk of conflict in the region, strengthens the role of ASEAN-led regional architecture as a force for peace, and builds mutual understanding of strategic circumstances and approaches to conflict prevention.

The Partnership is a key vehicle for operationalising the principles of the 2026 Jakarta Treaty (the Treaty on Common Security) and deepening strategic trust. The Treaty builds on our existing extensive defence and security cooperation, including through the Australia-Indonesia Defence Cooperation Agreement, and is a recognition by both countries that the best way to secure peace and stability in our region is by working together.

The course includes a **two-week course in Australia** and two workshops in Indonesia. The course is targeted to mid-career participants from government agencies with a focus on foreign, defence and security policy and non-government organisations including think tanks and academic and civil society organisations. The course will have 20 participants from Indonesia and 5 participants from Australia.

To apply for this course, you must be:

- an Indonesian government official with expertise on foreign, defence and security policy, including (but not limited to) representatives from:
 - o Ministry of Foreign Affairs
 - o Ministry of Defence
 - o Defence force
 - o Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries
 - o Coordinating Ministry for Politics and Security
 - o Indonesian Maritime Security Agency
 - o Intelligence Agencies
- (or) an individual in one of the following roles:
 - o Research institutions, think tanks or universities
 - o Civil society organisations
 - o Expert staff and advisors

General Criteria for the Applicants:

- Minimum three (3) years' experience in a relevant role
- Government representatives: Staff to Echelon III level
- Other sectors: preferably middle-management to upper-management level
- Diploma (D3) qualification or higher
- Application is endorsed by the supervisor
- Commitment to prepare and implement an Award Project, an individual or small group development project as part of the course
- Commitment to engage actively and foster networks with multiple stakeholders
- Commitment to disseminate learning from the course with colleagues and peers
- Have professional working proficiency in English. The applicants' English language competency is part of the selection process. The course will be delivered in English.

Applicants who currently hold a scholarship funded by the Australian Government are not eligible to apply for the short course.



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Key Dates

- Pre-course workshop in Indonesia: September 2026 (TBC)
- Two weeks In-Australia course: October 2026 (TBC)
- Post-course workshop in Indonesia: February 2027 (TBC)

Learning Objectives

- Identify conflict drivers and risks of all types of conflict in the Indo-Pacific, with a specific focus on interstate and major power conflict
- Quantify and conceptualise the potential impact of conflict on Indonesia, Australia and the region
- Identify tools of statecraft which can be used to reduce risks of conflict. Approaches could range from diplomatic efforts to deterrence policies
- Discuss possible conflict prevention initiatives which could be delivered by Australia and Indonesia
- Foster innovation and collaboration in conflict prevention strategies
- Benchmark best practices and missed opportunities in conflict prevention through case studies, site visits, and expert lectures in Indonesia and Australia
- Map stakeholders in Indonesia, Australia and the region that contribute to the goal of maintaining peace in Indo-Pacific and identify potential areas of collaboration
- Exchange lessons and expertise in conflict prevention with their respective working units
- Participate in peace gaming exercises to practically test conflict prevention strategies
- Build deeper strategic trust and mutual understanding of Indonesian and Australian strategic circumstances
- Build networks with Australian institutions and experts for partnerships and future collaboration
- Create action plans (Award Project) to apply course learnings in their work and disseminate ideas

Women from disadvantaged backgrounds and people with disabilities are encouraged to apply!

This is a fully funded short course. Course fee, mobilisation cost, return airfares (domestic and international), insurance in Australia (OSHC), accommodation (in Indonesia and Australia), per diem, transport allowance and visa will be covered by Australia Awards in Indonesia.

All applications **MUST** be submitted online via this link: www.australiaawardsindonesia.org/id/ConflictPreventionSCApplication by Sunday, 14 June 2026 at 23.59 WIB at the latest!

An information session will be held virtually on 5 June 2026 at 9:30am WIB. This session provides information about the application process. RSVP by 4 June 2026 11:00am via this link: www.australiaawardsindonesia.org/id/ConflictPreventionSCInfoSession.

For more information, please visit www.australiaawardsindonesia.org or contact shortcourse@australiaawardsindonesia.org.