



# MIGA PROFESSIONALS PROGRAM **MPP**

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## ABOUT MIGA

MIGA is a member of the World Bank Group whose mission is to promote foreign direct investment into developing countries to support economic growth, reduce poverty, and improve people's lives. We do this through providing political risk insurance, or guarantees, to investors and lenders against losses caused by noncommercial risks.

MIGA has a particular focus on supporting investments in the world's poorest countries; investments in conflict-afflicted environments; complex deals, especially those involving project financing (infrastructure and extractive industries); and South-South investments.

Projects supported by MIGA create jobs; provide access to finance; supply water, electricity, and other basic infrastructure; generate tax revenues; transfer skills and technological know-how; and help countries tap natural resources in an environmentally and socially sustainable way.

MIGA's diverse staff represent over 40 nationalities and speak multiple languages. Our people have extensive experience in political risk insurance, with backgrounds including banking and capital markets, environmental and social sustainability, project finance and sector specialties, and international law and dispute settlement.

## ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The MIGA Professionals Program attracts new and diverse talent to the Agency to work in entry-level professional positions for a non-renewable term of two years. This program is open to applicants under 35 years of age with advanced degrees and a minimum of five years working experience in the relevant field. Opportunities are available in:

- Underwriting political risk insurance
- Financial accounting and reporting
- Economics and risk management
- Environmental and social risk mitigation
- Legal counsel

Selected candidates will be assigned to one of MIGA's departments to work as a full member of the team. In exchange for hard work and commitment, MIGA offers an entrepreneurial-based culture, a dynamic learning environment, a competitive salary, World Bank Group benefits, and coaching and mentoring for program participants.

In addition to meeting the specific requirements of each role, candidates must be able to work effectively with clients and colleagues from diverse backgrounds, possess strong analytical skills, and be fluent in written and spoken English. Fluency in a second language, particularly French or Spanish, is desirable.

The program is looking for qualified applicants who share our mission and offers an excellent foundation for professionals to further their careers.





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## FAQs

### Is the MPP role different than that of other MIGA staff?

MPP colleagues conduct all of the regular duties of a MIGA staff member, receive the same employment benefits, and are bound by the same staff rules. MPP participants are eligible to participate in training open to MIGA or World Bank Group staff. In addition, program participants receive mentoring and training from carefully selected colleagues to ensure the experience is an enriching professional development experience.

### Where can a candidate find job announcements and program criteria?

Specific openings for this program and other opportunities are available on [www.miga.org/jobs](http://www.miga.org/jobs). Women and individuals from developing countries are encouraged to apply.

### What is the program's timeframe?

The application deadline, typically in October or November is posted online. MPP participants join MIGA in July.

### Where are the positions based?

MIGA's offices are located in Washington, DC. Depending on the position's role, travel to visit project sites or to meet with clients and other stakeholders may be required.

### Is there a possibility of extending the assignment beyond the two-year term?

The two-year term is non-renewable. However, as the term reaches completion, program participants may apply for suitable openings throughout the World Bank Group, including MIGA. In this way, the program differs from the World Bank's Young Professional Program.

## MPP VOICES



"As an underwriter at MIGA, I've had the opportunity to work on diverse projects in all regions of the world. An important example is a power plant in Kenya that is part of the government's plan to develop independent power producers to address the country's energy constraints. The project is important in that it is supported by various parts of the World Bank Group – so I was able to gain a broad perspective of the Group's work."

*Esohe Denise Odaro, Underwriter*



"Working at MIGA has allowed me to become familiar with a risk mitigation tool that promotes foreign direct investment in frontier markets: political risk insurance. I've also enjoyed working on MIGA's research agenda, as well as its country risk and project impact analyses. As a part of the World Bank Group, MIGA provides attractive training opportunities and access to resources in development economics, and this is an important draw for the MPP."

*Manabu Nose, Risk Officer*



"The environment at MIGA is multicultural and the World Bank Group offers a wealth of knowledge with an open learning platform. In the Finance and Risk Management Department, our work is critical to maintaining MIGA's financial integrity, income sustainability, and balance sheet strength under a sound risk management framework and solid control environment. This has been valuable learning experience for me."

*Lily Hua Qin, Financial Officer*



"The MIGA Professionals Program provides valuable exposure to development practitioners who are aiming to bridge the gap between the public and private sectors. Being part of the Economics and Policy team gives me confidence in my capacity to implement the environmental and social safeguards necessary to meet the World Bank's mission of a world free of poverty."

*Atia Byll-Catarina, Environmental and Social Specialist*



"Working at MIGA to enable foreign direct investment in developing countries is a unique opportunity to build a foundation in development work. I've been able to apply my transactional experience while still learning a lot. It is quite rewarding to work with a smart, experienced, and supportive Legal Department. I also enjoy the diversity and collegiality of MIGA as a whole."

*Chinwe Binitie, Counsel*

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