

TIMOR-LESTE NATIONAL DIASPORA ENGAGEMENT ACTION PLAN 2023-2027



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Timor-Leste National Diaspora Engagement Plan includes a collection of activities foreseen in the Timor-Leste National Engagement Policy, 2023-2027.

The Timor-Leste National Diaspora Engagement Policy primary aim is to establish a sustainable culture of diaspora engagement for the Government of Timor Leste (GoTL). It helps to address the institutional, informational, and implementation gaps required for such a culture of diaspora engagement and strengthen care and support to the Timorese diaspora abroad.

The action plan is focused on supporting implementation of the policy and run for its lifecycle between 2023-2027. The activities within the action plan are designed along the 5 policy pillars outlined in the policy document.

The cycle of work will focus predominantly on establishing and securing the leadership and institutional capacities at home and abroad to deliver the policy. It will adopt a project-based framework and include important transition projects which will help towards a scaling of activities in later years of the action plan's lifecycle.

The action plan has been developed with a view to optimizing budgetary frameworks viable between the GoTL and donor communities. It has 14 interventions strategically structured over the lifespan of the plan.

5 Policy Pillars outlined in the Timor-Leste National Diaspora Engagement Policy, 2023-2027

Pillar 1: Institutional and Leadership Development

Pillar 2: Timor-Leste Diaspora Diplomacy

Pillar 3: Timor-Leste Diaspora Human Capital

Pillar 4: Timor-Leste Diaspora Economic Capital

Pillar 5: Monitoring & Evaluation

Cost Assessment:

Part of the costs will be covered by the budget of implementing institutions in GoTL but optimal implementation will require additional support by donors. Operational costs are designed to split evenly across the GoTL and international cooperation partners with an expected outlay of 720,000 USD each.

Human Resources:

Allocation of efficient human resources from the GoTL and seed capital support is a core element expected to be sourced from governmental budget, preferably in further support of MNEC as they are the lead agency for implementation of this action plan.