

Practitioner-in-Residence, Infrastructure Governance Incubator, Sydney School of Architecture Design and Planning, The University of Sydney

The Henry Halloran Research Trust at the University of Sydney is inviting applications from practitioners, policy makers, and industry leaders involved with public, private and/or the NGO sector with expertise in one or more of the following fields: urban planning and policy, infrastructure, land management/development, or urban economics to spend a period of time (up to three months) working with researchers in the University's Infrastructure Governance Incubator. The Incubator aims to develop transformational and integrated approaches to infrastructure (inc. planning, funding, social legitimacy, First Nations voices/planning on Country, and infrastructure delivery) in Australian cities. Initially one position is available.

Under the Trust's Practitioner-in-Residence Program, successful applicants will undertake a period of supported research on a project that will contribute to the work of the [Infrastructure Governance Incubator](#). For instance, the project could focus on different aspects of infrastructure governance challenges in Australia (with a focus on Sydney and Melbourne regions) including but not limited to the fragmented nature of infrastructure decision making agencies; the lack of adequate coordination between land-use planning and infrastructure planning; the broader questions around the links between strategic planning and infrastructure decisions, or planning for Country/First Nations voices in infrastructure decision making. Alternatively, projects proposed by the Practitioner-in-Residence could focus on examining international best-practice example(s) to inform approaches in Australia – such as approaches that improve delivery of community infrastructure, resourcing for First Nations-led infrastructure development, or more equitable processes for infrastructure delivery.

The Practitioner-in-Residence (PiR) will be supervised by A/Prof. Tooran Alizadeh in collaboration with other investigators. The PiR will be based at the University of Sydney.

Application Process

Prospective applicants will need to submit their CV along with a brief (maximum two page) outline of their intended project. Applicants are invited to discuss their intended projects with A/Prof. Alizadeh prior to submitting the application. While all proposals will be considered, we strongly encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People to apply. The preference for First Nations applicants is a way of recognising the existing gaps in engaging with First Nation voices in infrastructure development and decision-making processes.

Application Deadline

Applications are due February 20th, 2023. Depending on the applicant's availability, the residency can begin between mid-March and mid-June.

Residency Outcome

Practitioners will write a short and accessible report (5,000-7,000 words) at the conclusion of their residency and/or other outputs (e.g., a podcast, a video) subject to the supervisor's agreement. The Practitioner will also be required to deliver a public lecture on their findings.

Terms and Remuneration

A total contribution of up to \$10,000 is available for the Practitioner in Residence role, to support the residencies where the applicant is unable to access other funds (such as a period of negotiated leave from their substantive role). The period of residency is negotiable within a minimum of one month and a maximum of three months (full time). The full report (the report or alternative output) is required to be submitted to the Incubator team no later than four months from the beginning of residency.

For more information, please contact A/Prof. Tooran Alizadeh at tooran.alizadeh@sydney.edu.au