

INTERNATIONAL VISITOR LEADERSHIP PROGRAM NOMINATION INFORMATION

DETAILED PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The three general categories of International Visitor Leadership Programs are:

1. **Multi-regional Programs** for groups of 10-20 participants nominated by embassies around the world and conducted in **English**. The list of FY-2014 multi-regional programs is attached.
2. **Regional Programs** for groups of 10-20 participants but conducted with **Spanish interpretation and thus suitable for candidates who do not speak English**. Program themes are chosen to reflect issues of importance to Latin America. The FY-2014 list of regional programs is attached.
3. **Single Country Projects and Individuals Traveling Together**
 - a. **SCPs** are for four or more grantees who share similar interests not covered by Regional Programs; include Spanish interpretation and other enhancements, like drivers and a welcome luncheon.
 - b. **ITTs** are for two or three individuals with shared interests who travel together with one consecutive interpreter but no additional enhancements.

NOTE: Individual Programs are for a single participant and are designed by the Embassy to meet the participant's particular interests. Individual programs, however, have two drawbacks. They are more expensive and they reduce the total number of IVs we can send in a year. It is also much more difficult to make high-level appointments for an individual than for a group. We therefore highly recommend that grantees be nominated for group projects. Exceptions should be made only for special VIPs.

NOMINATION INFORMATION

Two portions of the nomination form require a short narrative:

1. **Post Objectives:** You can explain why the program for your candidate would benefit to the U.S. and ties to Mission Program Plan/Mission Strategic Plan goals.
2. **Justification for Nomination:** In the justification, **you should provide detailed information on why you see your particular nominee** becoming important to the Embassy in the future and what their role is now and how this will be enhanced by the program. Nominations with inadequate justifications may lose out to less-qualified nominees with better-written justifications. The selection committee will weigh why this nominee is particularly suited and how nominee could contribute to Mission goals in years to come.

Other important factors to consider are the nominee's:

- educational background
- diversity
- geographic location

- current position
- future prospects
- access to major decision-makers
- other variables that distinguish the nominee

The Selection Committee will attempt to strike a balance among all Mission goals. Not all nominees are accepted for programs; therefore, if you inform contacts that you are nominating them please let them know that the process is competitive and does not automatically lead to participation. While we do not have our budget yet, we anticipate funding 35 to 40 participants like we have during the past several years.