

### ***What is it about?***

The **Governance Volunteer Programme** is an opportunity for Directors of Credit Union Boards to share your credit union knowledge and expertise with our credit union partners in The Gambia. It is also an opportunity to see at first-hand the work that is supported by the ILCU Foundation, and how credit unions are improving the lives of individuals, their families and local communities.

### ***What does it involve?***

You will travel to The Gambia for 7 days, along with other volunteers, and you will be accompanied by a representative from the ILCU Foundation. The agenda for the week includes meeting with [NACCUG](#) – apex body, visiting credit unions to meet with staff and Board members to discuss issues of governance and hosting a workshop on specific topics identified by our partners. You will also get to learn about the history and culture of The Gambia, known as the Smiling Coast of Africa.

### ***Who should participate?***

We want volunteers who have a wealth of experience with their credit union. You must be knowledgeable about all areas of credit union governance and have a wide range of skills which can help our credit union partners. Having experience in a developing country is desirable but not essential. You must be in good health and you will also be required to get vaccinations before you travel.

### ***What are the costs?***

All volunteers are asked to contribute €2,000 to cover the costs of this programme. This covers the following costs – flights to and from The Gambia, vaccinations and medical expenses, insurance, accommodation in-country, per diem and all travel costs in-country. See [application form](#) for more information.

To participate in this programme please click [here](#).  
Closing date for applications is 12th April 2019.



Watch the highlights from the [2018 Governance Volunteer Programme](#).

*\*Please note if we receive more applications than places available some applicants will participate in 2020.\**