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NSW GOVERNMENT OFFERS DIPLOMA OF EVENT MANAGEMENT SCHOLARSHIPS

The NSW Government has today announced a partnership with Australia's peak industry body for business events, Meetings and Events Australia (MEA), to support aspiring event managers living in regional areas to get a head start in their career.

Member for Albury, Greg Aplin said the NSW Government and MEA will be offering a regional scholarship program with a Diploma of Event Management up for grabs across NSW.

"Whether you are young or old, this is a fantastic opportunity for those wanting to upskill and achieve their career goals within the events industry," Mr Aplin said.

"The course will be delivered via an online learning tool allowing students to complete the tasks at their own pace and in their own time."

Minister for Tourism and Major Events Adam Marshall said the partnership is part of the \$6 million Regional Conferencing Strategy & Action Plan, launched last year.

"Our partnership with MEA reaffirms our commitment to making NSW the number one choice when it comes to hosting conferences and business events," Mr Marshall said.

"The scholarship program aims to upskill our rural and regional workforce in the hope that they will stay to contribute to the industry and help drive the State's economy."

MEA Chief Executive Officer Robyn Johnson said the business events industry is a growing economic contributor to regional communities and the partnership is a reflection of the close relationship with the NSW Government.

"We are thrilled to be collaborating with the NSW Government to bring more job opportunities into rural and regional NSW. I also look forward to meeting with the Destination Networks next year to work together to grow business events across the State." Ms Johnson said

The course will be delivered via MEA's online learning tool allowing students to complete the tasks at their own pace and in their own time.

For further information and to apply, please visit www.meetinnsw.com.au/scholarships

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