



**We are looking for young people who can step up
and make a difference**

Selecting **the right** people to participate is essential to the success of the programme. On each desert journey we take 18 young people. Groups are either male, or female, not mixed.

What makes the ideal applicant?

The ideal applicant will be someone who;

- Has an interest in international affairs
- Is able to demonstrate evidence of positive action to benefit society, beyond attending conferences
- Shows the potential to lead and influence others in the future
- Is able to speak good English, or Arabic – **this is essential** - communication is the cornerstone of Connecting Cultures
- Is aged between 17-25 years old
- Would be a good ambassador for their country
- Is physically fit, and mentally determined

What makes an unsuitable applicant?

- People who are **not physically fit enough** to cope with the walking (approximately 8 kilometres in soft sand) each day. We have had to turn nominated applicants away in the past who were clearly not fit enough to take part in the programme.
- People who have already had several opportunities to travel outside of their own country, and who have already attended many other courses and workshops before. We want this a life changing inspirational experience for participants, not just another trip overseas for those who have had chances before.

If you are motivated to apply, and fit the criteria, then;

- Complete a Connecting Cultures application form, and email it, along with a bio page of your passport that must be valid until at least six months after completion of the journey, to the address below.
- The deadline for applications is **Saturday September 30th 2017**
- Connecting Cultures will then study the applications, and contact successful applicants by the end of October 2017.

Timelines and Deadlines winter 2017/2018

Desert Journey Dates	Location	Male or Female
December 9th-13th2017	Sharqiyah Desert, Oman	Female
January 20 th – 24 th 2018	Sharqiyah Desert, Oman	Male
January 27 th -31 st 2018	Sharqiyah Desert, Oman	Female

Application Forms should be **sent by email to both addresses below;**

Email Sokayna@outwardboundoman.com
 CC admin@outwardboundoman.com