



The UK's biggest jobs and emigration event comes to Scotland

The dream of a new life in Australia, Canada and New Zealand will soon become more of a reality for hundreds of Scots in Edinburgh.

**Down Under Live** and **Canada Live** both cater for a growing audience wanting to leave the UK behind in search of a new life abroad. Recent government statistics revealed that these three countries are the top destinations for people migrating from the UK, with over 10,000 people moving from Scotland alone. In 2009, 472,000 people emigrated overseas from the UK.

For most, it is the promise of a higher quality of life, with enhanced job prospects that entices them to move. Australia's unemployment rate is half that of Scotland, and the Australian & New Zealand governments are actively recruiting skilled workers to help with vital skill shortages. 42 year old Pat Taylor and his family moved from Edinburgh to Adelaide in Australia, and says he has no regrets about leaving. "I'm not sorry I moved as I believe the quality of life has more potential than the UK, and the weather is better. " While he admits to missing friends and family, he is adamant that the lifestyle in Australia is better than she could have hoped for in the UK.

The key for a successful move overseas is to get independent, trusted advice and that is what visitors to **Down Under Live & Canada Live** can get from their day at the show. Staged in a friendly and helpful atmosphere, each event features over 6 hours of dedicated presentations on emigrating, with the aim of providing answers to the hundreds of questions potential migrants have.

Every aspect of the emigration process is covered, from shipping your goods to where the best schools are, so that visitors will leave with a plan for starting their new life. Hundreds of job opportunities will also be on display, proof of the continuing demand for skilled workers from the UK, and experts with long experience of helping people to emigrate will staff stands that visitors can browse during the day.

Moving to the other side of the world may well be a massive undertaking, but as Pat Taylor advises "Just do it. Whatever you think you've got to lose by not taking a risk will invariably still be there if it doesn't work out. We are here to stay!"

**Down Under Live** – the UK's biggest event for Australia & New Zealand and **Canada Live**, dedicated to all things Canada are at the international Convention Centre in Edinburgh on the 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> February 2012 . Doors open on both days at 10am and tickets cost £10 each in advance for access to both shows.

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