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The Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games (GC2018) Press Accreditation Expression of Interest is now open.

All bona fide members of the media are invited to apply for accreditation to GC2018.

<u>Click here to complete the Expression of Interest Press Accreditationapplication form.</u>

"We look forward to welcoming the world's press to the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games (GC2018). From 4-15 April 2018 our Games will offer some remarkable story and photo opportunities against breathtaking scenery that only the City of Gold Coast can deliver.

2018 will be a hugely exciting year in world sport and we look forward to welcoming you and assisting you in every way possible to tell the stories of our Games. We are encouraging all genuine media organisations from around the world to apply for pressaccreditation."

Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games Corporation Chairman, Peter Beattie AC

Our Games will be a significant event. We are setting the stage for:

- Welcoming 6,600 athletes and team officials from 70 nations and territories
- International media contingent of 3,500
- Accommodating 18 sports and seven para-sports the largest integrated sports program in Commonwealth Games history
- 15,000 volunteers
- Welcoming up to 1.5 million spectators across all events
- Broadcasting to a cumulative television audience of 1.5 billion people

Additional information

- Press Accreditation is a two-stage process and submitting an application does not guarantee accreditation for GC2018.
- Stage 1: Expression of Interest: This process is open from 4 April 2017 until 2 June 2017.
- Stage 2: Press by Name: This process spans 18 September 2017 to 17 December 2017. During this phase, organisations will be required to assign names of individuals to each accreditation they have been approved for.
- Every application will go through a strict approvals process ensuring applicants are from genuine news gathering organisations.
- All applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application by the end of August 2017.

For any queries on Press Accreditation please contact Hayley Roach on <u>+617 5618 2287</u>or email <u>press.services@goldoc.com</u>

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