



## OPENING POWER TO DIVERSITY NEWSLETTER



Earlier this year, Crosscare Migrant Project launched a ground-breaking initiative for migrant political integration. Now in its second round, the 'Opening Power to Diversity' scheme sees migrants placed with TDs for a six month internship.

This initiative aims to give participants a unique insight into the workings of the Irish political system, and to foster increased interest in Irish politics amongst the wider migrant community. The long term objective is the creation of a more diverse, transparent political system.

For further information, visit the [Living in Ireland](#) website where you will find diary articles from first round participants, media coverage and TD endorsements.

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### About Crosscare Migrant Project

Crosscare Migrant Project is an information, advocacy and referral organisation for migrants in vulnerable situations. Visit the [Living in Ireland](#) website for more information.

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### ABOUT THE SCHEME



Crosscare have launched a ground breaking initiative for migrant political integration which sees people from migrant communities in Ireland matched with a particular TD for a six month internship...

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### EVANS' STORY

"I had to contain my excitement as I was shown into the Dáil chamber to observe the Tánaiste in the hot seat! To someone such as me it was like magic and I now ritually watch the debates"...

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### ADAKU'S STORY

"I saw it as an opportunity to showcase the migrant community to politicians. I wanted to show them that migrants are talented, educated and capable like anyone else and that we have a lot to offer"...

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