

**3RD ERITREAN PROFESSIONALS NETWORK (ERIPN)  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) HELD ON 2 JUNE 2012**  
*“Eritrea – 21 years of dignity and progress”*

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The Eritrean Professionals Network in UK (EriPN) has successfully concluded its 3rd Annual General Meeting organised as part of the 21st Eritrean Independence Anniversary celebrations. The Eritrean Professionals Network was formed in March 2009.

Its aim is to start mobilizing Eritrean professionals and occupation based skilled work force in UK. The strategic outcome of EriPN will be to start working towards the establishment of strong, viable and vibrant professional associations in UK and to establish practical and formal links with Eritrean professional associations and institutions. At present there are over 230 Eritrean professionals registered with EriPN and growing. They have a wide range of specializations including health sciences and medicine, law, journalism and media, engineering and technology, social and economic development fields, ICT.

Over the last two years EriPN has conducted a number of cross sector activities including thematic seminars and workshops to clarify its objectives, programmes and membership to ensure sustainable development of professional groups. The AGM has addressed current professional and national, social and economic development as well as specific EriPN business including:

- Raising the profile of EriPN in the community
- Brief reports form EriPN sector groups
- EriPN Annual Resolution

A key note lecture was presented by Mr Eyob Yohannes, Microbiologist/WHO Malaria Expert on the “Eritrean experience in scaling up malaria prevention and control. There were interesting discussion and have agreed a clear way forward to implement an action plan. H.E. Mr Tesfamichael Gerahetu Ambassador of State of Eritrea in UK also gave a closing remark and encouraged EriPN to upgrade its efforts to mobilize more members and set up other sectors on economic and management, social and education, health and development.

EriPN has ended its AGM by stating that it will continue to raise its visibility among various social and professional groups and the Eritrean community at large. It will strengthen its work in establishing strong links with Eritrean Departments and professional associations.

For further information and slides presented at the AGM please visit the Website [www.eripn.org](http://www.eripn.org).