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CALL FOR APPLICANTS
SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED TO FOREIGNERS
TO ATTEND COURSES AND SEMINARS IN GREECE
IN THE MODERN GREEK LANGUAGE AND CULTURE
(21st Programme, 2012-2013)

The State Scholarships Foundation (I.K.Y.) announces that it will offer up to sixty (60) scholarships to foreigners (or foreign nationals of Greek descent) from countries worldwide in order to attend courses and seminars in the Modern Greek Language and Culture.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must:

1. Be nationals of any country of the world except Greece.
2. Hold a graduate degree from a foreign University in the fields of the Humanities, the Social and Political Sciences. Eligible to apply are also university graduates who teach the Greek as a foreign language.
3. Not exceed the fortieth (40th) year of age (date of birth after 1972).
4. Have at least a basic knowledge of the Greek language.

Applicants must meet the above requirements by the application deadline.

DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED

1. An application form with one recent photograph – if any.
2. An up-to-date curriculum vitae.
3. Certified copies of University Diplomas – Degrees.
4. Certificates indicating the knowledge of Greek and English or French language.
5. Two (2) letters of reference.
6. A written evidence of employment as a teacher of Greek, if any.

7. A birth certificate.
8. A recent health certificate by a state hospital or a certificate from the relevant health service stating that the applicant does not suffer from any infectious diseases.
9. A copy of a valid passport/identity card (where applicable).

The application form with all documentation requested shall be submitted through the Greek Diplomatic Authorities or application forms and CV's via our electronic application system (www.iky.gr), whereas the remaining documentation is to be sent by post.

Application forms are available from the Greek Diplomatic Mission, or the I.K.Y. or as downloaded copy from the I.K.Y website at: www.iky.gr

All the documentation submitted must be written or translated into Greek, English or French.

In addition, documents numbered 3, 4, 7, 8 and 9 must be certified by the Greek Diplomatic Authorities (the Greek Embassy or Consulate) only in cases where the candidate's state of origin is not a member of the Hague Convention (Apostille) of 5 October 1961 abolishing the requirement of legalisation for foreign public documents.

Applicants must submit only certified copies of the original documents as these will not be returned. Incomplete, inaccurate or illegible application files will not be taken into consideration.

Applicants who are or have been on a scholarship by the I.K.Y. will be excluded from the programme.

Applications by undergraduates who have not yet obtained their University degree will not be considered.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

The electronic application deadline is **30 June 2012**. The remaining documentation required has to be sent by **10 July 2012** by post.

Applicants will be notified of the outcome not earlier than September 2012.

DURATION OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

The duration of this scholarship is no less than eight (8) months and is offered only for a special course in the Modern Greek Language and Culture organized mainly at one of the following Greek Universities: Athens University, Thessaloniki University, Ioannina University, Patras University, Crete University. The University, which will hold this course, will be decided by the I.K.Y after the selection process.

The courses will start on October 2012 and will end on May 2013.

After completion of the programme of studies, the Greek University will provide students with a certificate of attendance.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

The scholarship covers the following costs:

- a. Free meals and accommodation (in University residence or in purpose-built flats provided by the University which will undertake the programme).
- b. Tuition fees and other relevant costs.
- c. Free medical care (under the National Health Service) in case of emergency.
- d. A monthly allowance of **€ 150,00** (net amount) for personal expenses.
- e. **€ 200,00** for initial expenses.

OBLIGATIONS OF THE SCHOLARS

Scholarship holders must regularly attend the courses and participate in all activities of the programme of studies.

Athens, 4/5/2012