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# ANNOUNCEMENT SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED TO NATIONALS OF ETHIOPIA (Programme 2009-2010)

The State Scholarships Foundation (I.K.Y.) announces that it will offer up to six (6) scholarships for medical training in Greece to nationals (foreigners or of Greek origin) from Ethiopia.

## A. REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY

Applicants should:

- 1. Be nationals of Ethiopia.
- 2. Hold a graduate degree from a foreign (non-Greek) University in Cardiology or in Nursing (3 scholarships for each category).
- 3. Have a very good knowledge of English or French.
- 4. Have only foreign citizenship (not both foreign and Greek).

## **B. DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED**

Applicants <u>meeting the above requirements by the submission deadline</u> should submit <u>through the</u> <u>Greek Diplomatic Authorities</u> the following documents:

- 1. An application form with one recent photograph.
- 2. A curriculum vitae.
- 3. University Diplomas Degrees.
- 4. Certified academic transcripts (including course description, grades etc.)
- 5. A certificate of previous employment in a hospital.
- 6. Official certificates indicating the knowledge of English or French.
- 7. Two (2) letters of recommendation from University Professors.
- 8. A recent health certificate by a state hospital.
- 9. A copy of their passport.

All the above - mentioned documents must be written or translated into Greek or English or French. In addition, documents numbered 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 9 should be officially validated by the Greek Diplomatic Authorities (Greek Embassy or Consulate).

Applicants must submit only validated copies of the required documents and not the originals; the latter <u>will not be returned</u>. Incomplete, inaccurate or illegible application files will not be taken into consideration.

Applicants who are or have been on a scholarship from I.K.Y. will be excluded from the programme. Applications by undergraduates who have not yet obtained their University degree will <u>not</u> be considered.

#### C. DURATION OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

The training will take place in a Cardiological Clinic at a Greek University for a period of two (2) up to six (6) months.

#### **D. SUBMISSION DATE**

The submission deadline is March 1, 2010.

Applicants will be notified about the results or the outcome through the Greek Diplomatic Authorities in Ethiopia.

## **E. FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

The scholarship provides:

- a. €600,00 plus taxes for initial expenses.
- b. A monthly allowance of €650,00 plus taxes for living expenses.
- c. Free medical care in public hospitals in case of emergency.
- No support is provided for travel, conferences, seminars, symposia or research activities.
- No additional assistance is provided for the spouse or other dependants of the scholarship holder.

## F. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP (AWARD)

- The scholarship begins after the candidate's arrival in Greece provided that he/she has been accepted for medical training in Cardiology by a Medical School Clinic at a Greek University.
- The scholarship is for a consecutive period of time.
- Candidates must notify the I.K.Y. -one month in advance- of the exact date of their arrival in Greece and their passport number plus the date of issue, so that all the necessary arrangements concerning <u>student VISA</u> be made by I.K.Y. before their arrival in Greece. A tourist visa cannot be changed into student visa in Greece; that's why candidates are advised not to come to Greece without having previously obtained a student visa.

The I.K.Y. is entitled to immediately end the scholarship in the event scholarship holders:

- a) Have made a false statement in their application file.
- b) Suffer from a dangerous disease for the public health.
- c) Do not comply with the terms and conditions of the scholarship.
- d) Have been involved in any illegal action or been subjected to disciplinary action by the University.
- e) Hold a scholarship from another source at the same time.
- f) Leave Greece -regardless of the reason- without having previously informed in writing the I.K.Y.

At the end of the training period the scholar has to submit to the I.K.Y. a certificate issued by the Medical School of the Greek University that he / she has successfully completed the medical training. The terms and conditions of the scholarship are mentioned in detail in the relevant contract of the scholar with the I.K.Y.