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Subject: Turkish Language Program for Public Officials and Academicians (KATIP)

The undersigned has been directed to refer to self-explanatory brochure received from Embassy of Turkiye in Pakistan regarding the subject cited above.

2. The Government of Turkiye under the Katip Scholarship program has invited applications from around the world for scholarship opportunity in Turkiye under the "Turkish Language Program for Public Officials and Academicians" (KATIP). The aim of this program is to foster academic and professional cooperation between Turkey and other nations by providing language training in Turkish for deserving public officials and academicians.

3. The scholarship program is designed to span over a duration of 8 months, during which students will have the opportunity to immerse themselves in Turkish language education and partake in cultural excursions to gain a deeper understanding of Turkish heritage and culture. Funded by the Government of Turkiye, the scholarships cover a range of benefits, including accommodation expenses, a monthly stipend, cultural tours, and round-trip airfare tickets for successful applicants.

4. In light of these provisions, I earnestly urge your esteemed institution to disseminate information regarding these scholarships among the concerned stakeholders, thereby encouraging enthusiastic researchers, faculty members, and administrative milieu to seize this opportunity by sending their relevant documents to the following email address: islamabad@meb.gov.tr. The deadline forsubmission of application is set for August 14, 2023. Please also note the Higher Education Commission will not bear any financial obligation in subject regards whatsoever.

5. For further information, refer to the brochure enclosed with this letter.

With best regards,

Encl: As above.

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TURKISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND ACADEMICIANS





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TURKISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND ACADEMICIANS

The Turkish Language Program for Public Officials and Academicians (KATIP) is a comprehensive fellowship program for foreign public officials, diplomats, academicians and researchers who wish to learn Turkish and get closely familiar with Türkiye.

> The program is aimed at contributing to the creation of communication networks which will serve for further development of the relations between Türkiye and fellow countries.

> Besides Turkish language instruction, KATİP Program offers a wide variety of activities whereby the participants can better acquaint themselves with the Turkish culture and society. With seminars on diverse topics by eminent professors, cultural trips around Türkiye, workshops on classical Turkish arts and traditional sports activities, KATİP participants will have a chance to experience Türkiye's cultural atmosphere closely. Throughout the program, the interaction of the participants with public institutions, think-tanks, media organizations and universities will also be encouraged through joint events and short-term internship opportunities to create channels of institutional cooperation in various sectors between countries.







THE SCOPE OF THE PROGRAM



Turkish Language Program for Public Officials and Academicians





QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE CANDIDATES



For public officials; to have worked at a relevant institution for at least 3 years and preferably hold a master/PhD degree



For researchers and scientists; to be working at a university/research center and to have completed or to be currently pursuing a doctoral degree



For researchers and scientists; preferably to be working on a subject or in a social sciences field related to Türkiye



To have English proficiency (speaking and listening skills)



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Preferably to have basic knowledge of Turkish (Beginner level)



Not to be a Turkish citizen



Not to be residing in Türkiye



Not to be over 40 years-old





Spouse or families are not allowed to accompany the participants



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APPLICATION AND REGISTRATION PROCESS

The scholarship program starts in the Fall term only.

Application and registration procedures will be carried out at **tbbs.turkiyeburslari.gov.tr**



Application and registration steps are as follows:

- 1. Candidates must **create an account** with a valid e-mail address at **tbbs.turkiyeburslari.gov.tr.**
- 2. After registration, personal and educational information, work experiences etc. must be filled in in the relevant sections on the left sidebar.
- Finally, candidates must go to home page to access KATIP 2023-2024 Scholarship Program application and upload the necessary documents to finalize the application (Submission deadline: August 14th 2023).
- 4. **Online interviews** will be carried out with the shortlisted candidates.
- All candidates will be informed regarding their application results by e-mail and through the application system.





TURKISH LANGUAGE

KATIP participants receive language training given by Ankara Hacı Bayram Veli University Language Center for 8 months in Ankara. Turkish education generally starts from the beginner (A1) level.

Candidates who successfully complete the course exams are entitled to receive a B2 training certificate at the end of 8 months.

Attendance at the classes of 80% each month is mandatory.

If the participants continue to be absent in the classes or unsuccessful for the exams, the scholarship will be suspended.



SEMINARS

As part of KATIP program, weekly seminars led by expert academics in various fields, including international relations, history, regional studies and art. These seminars provide our participants with a wellrounded education and a deeper understanding of the world around them.





CULTURAL TRIPS

KATIP participants find the opportunity to discover Türkiye's cultural and historical values with the cultural trips organized during the program.



INSTITUTIONAL VISITS

Institutional visits to both public and private institutions in Türkiye are organized during the program for KATIP participants.





DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

Passport/ ID Photograph Transcript Diploma Letter of intent Document indicating the employment of the candidate



is allowed to participate in the scholarship program



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