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SCHOLARSHIPS FROM "AGENCE MAROCAINE DE COOPERATION INTERNATIONALE (A.M.C.I.)" 2017-2018 – KINGDOM OF MOROCCO

Applications are invited from suitably qualified Mauritian candidates for the award of **ten (10)** scholarships offered by the Moroccan Government at undergraduate and postgraduate levels for academic year 2017/2018.

2. <u>Course of Study</u>

The lists of courses and Public institutions (at which the scholarships will be tenable) are available for consultation on the following official websites:

- Agence Marocaine de Coopération Internationale: <u>www.amci.ma</u> and <u>www.amci.ma/repf.pdf</u>
- Ministère de l'Enseignement Supérieur, de la Recherche Scientifique et de la Formation des Cadres: <u>www.enssup.gov.ma</u>
- Ministère de l'Education Nationale: <u>www.men.gov.ma</u>

However, candidates are also advised to consult the List of Indicative Priority Fields of Study (2017-2019) available on the Notice Board, Ground Floor, MITD House, Phoenix and on the following website:

http://www.ministry-education.govmu.org

3. <u>Eligibility Requirements</u>

3.1 **Qualifications**

(A) <u>Undergraduate Studies</u>

- (i) SC/GCE 'O' Level with credit in at least five subjects at one and the same sitting;
- (ii) HSC/GCE 'A' Level (of year 2016 Examination) in 3 subjects at Principal Level with a minimum of Grade B at one and the same sitting

or

French Baccalaureate 2016 or 2017 with at least a mention "Assez Bien".

(B) Master's Degree

- SC/GCE 'O' Level with credit in at least five subjects at one and the same sitting;
- (ii) HSC/GCE 'A' Level in three subjects at Principal level obtained at one and the same sitting or French Baccalaureate; and
- (iii) A minimum standard of Upper Second Class Honours Bachelor's Degree or a "*Licence (BAC +3)*" with a minimum of mention "*Bien*" in the relevant field.

(C) <u>PhD</u>

- SC/GCE 'O' Level with credit in at least five subjects at one and the same sitting;
- (ii) HSC/GCE 'A' Level with three subjects at Principal level obtained at one and the same sitting or French Baccalaureate;
- (iii) A Bachelor's Degree or a "*Licence (BAC +3)*"; and
- (iv) A Master's Degree or equivalent in the relevant field.
- **Note 1:** Candidates applying for a Master's degree or Ph.D should indicate their fields of study and the **institutions** where they intend to follow their studies. A list of such institutions may be consulted on <u>www.amci.ma/repf.pdf</u>.
- **Note 2:** Nominated candidates applying for Master's or PhD will have to respectively produce a soft copy of their dissertation at undergraduate level or, in the case of PhD, a research proposal.
- **Note 3**: Candidates must indicate their choice of preferred Institutions in their write-up.
- **Note 4:** The offer is not tenable for Undergraduate in the field of Medecine.

4. <u>Age Limit</u>

Candidates should be aged between 19-23 years for undergraduate studies and not more than 35 years of age for Master's degree and 40 years of age for Ph.D.

5. <u>General Conditions</u>

5.1 The Language of instruction for most courses will be French. Courses in Islamic Studies and Literature in Arabic Language will be delivered in Arabic.

- 5.2 The scholarship provides for support though a monthly allowance of up to US \$ 75. All other fees and charges will have to be borne by the candidate.
- 5.3 Airfare is not provided under the Scheme.
- 5.4 Foreign students in Morocco are covered by an Insurance Policy during their studies with details on <u>www.ma2e.com</u>
- 5.5 Accommodation in university hostels is not guaranteed.
- 5.6 In case of nomination by the Ministry, candidates will be requested to produce a medical certificate from public hospitals to state that they are medically fit, vaccinated and not suffering from any contagious diseases such as tuberculosis etc. Candidates may have to undergo additional medical tests once in Morocco. Candidates are recommended to initiate action for the obtention of this medical certificate at the earliest, so that same can be promptly produced in case of nomination.
- 5.7 Candidates will also have to submit a character certificate in case of nomination by the Ministry. Candidates are therefore accordingly strongly recommended to also initiate action for the obtention of same at the earliest.
- 5.8 Nominated candidates are expected to proceed to Morocco as from early September 2017.
- 5.9 Applicants are reminded that being nominated by the Ministry does not automatically guarantee selection for an award. The final decision to award the scholarship rests with the Donor Agency.
- 5.10 Once nominated, candidates will not be allowed to change their fields of study or the Institutions that will be allocated to them by the "Agence Marocaine de Cooperation Internationale (A.M.C.I.)".
- 5.11 Beneficiaries of scholarships will be required to sign an undertaking, thereby committing themselves to return to Mauritius immediately after completion of their studies and work for at least two years in the public or private sector.
- 5.12 Only the best qualified candidates will be nominated. Candidates who have not been informed of their nomination within six weeks as from the closing date for application should consider that they have not been selected.

6. <u>Mode of Application</u>

6.1 Applications must be made on the prescribed form available at the Scholarships Section, Ministry of Education and Human Resources, Tertiary Education and Scientific Research, 1st Floor, MITD House, Phoenix, or downloaded from the Ministry's website:

http://www.ministry-education.govmu.org

An additional information sheet on the Scholarship offer can also be downloaded from this website.

However, applicants should submit certified copies of all supporting documents not later than the closing date specified below.

- 6.2 The completed Application Form along with all supporting documents should be submitted to the Scholarships Section of the Ministry by *Friday 28 July 2017 at 14.00 hours latest*.
- 6.3 All candidates should ensure that certified copies of certificates, transcripts of final university results/mark sheets and all other relevant documents relating to their qualifications are submitted to the Scholarships Section, along with their applications. **Non-submission of same will result in elimination from the selection exercise.** Certification of documents can be done at the Scholarships Section of the Ministry or at the Careers Guidance Service in Rose Hill.
- 6.4 Responsible parties of applicants not in Mauritius may apply on behalf of their wards.
- 7. Applicants already in employment, whether public or private, must fill in the application form in duplicate. One copy thereof along with the relevant supporting documents should be submitted to the Scholarships Section, and one copy to the applicant's employer to enable the latter to decide on the release of applicant for the course, and if so, on what terms and conditions. Such information should be made available together with the applications.
- **8.** A Communiqué will be placed on the Website in due course to inform applicants that the selection exercise has been completed.

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