UNESCO/ISEDC CO-SPONSORED FELLOWSHIPS PROGRAMME – 2016

I. INTRODUCTION

In line with the strategy and objectives of the approved UNESCO Programme and Budget for the Fellowships Programme Section, the UNESCO Category II International Center for Sustainable Energy Development (ISEDC) in Moscow (Russian Federation) is offering twenty (20) fellowships of four weeks (4) duration each in 2016. The aim of this fellowships programme is to enhance the capacity-building and human resources development in the area of sustainable and renewable energy sources in developing countries and countries in transition. The training activities in the framework of these fellowships are tenable in specialized institutions in the Russian Federation. The medium of instruction will be **English**. UNESCO will solicit applications from the developing countries and countries in transition (list of invited Member States in Annex I).

2. FIELDS OF STUDY

The candidates may choose to study in the following fields of study, which are aligned with UNESCO's objectives and programme priorities, as per approved 38 C/5 and in accordance with the decisions made by the Executive Board:

- (a) Energy and sustainable development;
- (b) Ecological management of energy resources;
- (c) Renewable energy;
- (d) Sustainable and renewable energy power generation.

DURATION

Four week duration: from 3 to 28 October 2016.

4. QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

Candidates must meet the following criteria:

- (a) Holder of at least a BSc degree or BA in Economics;
- (b) Proficient in English;
- (c) Not more than 35 years of age.

5. PROCEDURES FOR THE SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS

(a) All applications should be endorsed by the National Commission for UNESCO and must be duly completed in English or French with the following attachments in DUPLICATE:

- The prescribed UNESCO fellowship application form;
- Six photographs;
- · Certified photocopies of diplomas;
- Certificate of English language proficiency (if English is not the mother tongue);
- Subsequently, for those who have been selected, the UNESCO medical examination form duly completed by a recognized physician (not more than four months before the actual date of studies), the prescribed form of which will be sent along with the letter of award. Expenses incurred in the constitution of the medical dossiers will not be reimbursed.
- (b) Files which are incomplete or received after the deadline for the submission of applications and candidatures, and do not fulfil the requirements mentioned above, will not be considered.
- (c) Each invited Member State is requested to nominate not more than two (2) candidates.

6. SELECTION OF BENEFICIARIES

- (a) The final selection of beneficiaries lies with ISEDC.
- (b) The National Commission of selected fellows will be duly informed by UNESCO and the letter of award will immediately follow.
- (c) UNESCO will authorize the departure of beneficiaries who have completely complied with the requirements stipulated in the letter of award.
- (d) Candidates not informed of their selection by 1st September 2016 should consider that their applications have not been approved.

FACILITIES OFFERED BY ISEDC.

- (a) Beneficiaries will be exempt from paying tuition fees for the entire duration of studies/training.
- (b) Fellows will undertake studies/training under the supervision of an advisor or study director that will be provided by the host institution.
- (c) The donor Government will pay stipends to beneficiaries on a monthly basis, in local currency. The stipend amounting to four hundred (400) US dollars is intended to cover living expenses such as accommodation, meals, pocket expenses, and incidentals.
- (d) ISEDC will assist in obtaining modest housing for the fellows.

8. FACILITIES OFFERED BY UNESCO

(a) UNESCO will cover the cost of the round-trip international travel at the most economical rate and the most direct flights.

- (b) UNESCO will pay a one-time travel allowance amounting to one hundred (100) US dollars prior to the fellows' departure for the Russian Federation.
- (c) Health insurance: To avail of this entitlement, beneficiaries should be declared medically fit by the UNESCO Medical Service that examines the complete medical dossiers.

9 OTHER CONDITIONS

- (a) No provisions can be made to finance or lodge the fellows' family members.
- (b) Beneficiaries will be required to submit to UNESCO a final report upon termination of the fellowship. This report could be written in English or in French and its copy will be furnished to ISEDC.

10. VISA

Selected fellows from countries where there are Russian Federation Embassies or Consulates must obtain their entry visa in their country prior to their departure. Fellows from countries where no such embassy/consulate exists must secure their visa through the nearest country where the Embassy or Consulate of the Russian Federation can be found.

UNESCO and ISEDC provide no allowance to defray passport and visa expenses.

DEADLINE FOR THE SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS: 15 April 2016