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To the Attention of  
the Head of the Mission

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**Scholarships for participants in the MEIG Programme academic year 2022-2023 - Master of Advanced Studies in European and International Governance, University of Geneva**

Excellency,

The Master of Advanced Studies in European and International Governance (MEIG Programme) organised by the University of Geneva in cooperation with the United Nations Office at Geneva has proven to be the flagship programme for global and regional governance. Combining high academic standards with best practices and practical training has allowed participants from all over the world to enter professionally the field of governance and to advance their career in this environment. The rich curriculum and the great diversity of participants, speakers and topics allow young and less young professionals to grow personally and professionally. Please consult our website for further information (<https://www.meig.ch/>).

The success of the MEIG Programme persuaded private donors to offer five full scholarships amounting to CHF 45,000 that cover the tuition fees and provide a significant contribution to the cost of living in Geneva. In addition, these donors offer this year additionally five scholarships of CHF 20'000 as a contribution to living costs. Both types of scholarships are reserved for potential excellent participants that do not have the financial means to cover the costs linked to the programme. Furthermore, the candidates should come from ODA beneficiary countries according to the list established by the OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC). The main reason for this is that international cooperation will succeed only if all parties involved have a sound knowledge of the functioning of international governance. These scholarships are, therefore, subject to the condition that recipients commit to returning to their respective countries in order to make these countries benefit from the skills acquired during the programme. The candidates are also required to actively participate and to attend the classes

in Geneva from the first to the last day of the programme. If these conditions are not respected the full scholarship will have to be refunded by the participant.

In your capacity as Ambassador of one of the above-mentioned countries, you are in the best position to identify such participants. These may be, for instance, officers of a ministry, including the ministry of foreign affairs, young professionals working for the private sector or a non-governmental organisation or excellent postgraduate students. Other eligibility requirements are detailed on the above-mentioned website of the MEIG Programme. Selection is based on application.

The MEIG Programme is obviously also opened to candidates not requiring scholarships. We would appreciate if the information about the MEIG Programme could also be circulated among other interested institutions, as for instance universities in your country that are interested in establishing links with the University of Geneva.

The next edition of the programme (academic year 2022-2023) will begin in September 2022. We would need to receive the applications for the MEIG and for the scholarships of potential candidates no later than 15 November 2021.

Please find attached our flyer, the application form and the scholarship form for the next edition.

I sincerely thank you in advance for your cooperation and remain at your disposal for any further information you may need.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely yours,



Prof. Christine Kaddous  
Director of the MEIG Programme