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OAS – Government of Chile Scholarship and Training Project for CARICOM Countries

Scholarship Offer in Partnership with the Galilee International Management Institute in Israel



Courses

Water Management and Irrigation Technologies for Smallholder Development and Irrigated Agriculture in Times of Climate Change (a combined course tailored to the Caribbean)

Crisis and Mass Disaster Management

DESCRIPTION AND BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATING IN THE COURSES

1. Water Management and Irrigation Technologies for Smallholder Development and Irrigated Agriculture in Times of Climate Change (a combined course tailored to the Caribbean)

Climate change has been identified as one of the world's largest challenges. As the first sector to suffer its consequences, agriculture will have to adapt. Israeli agriculture has been anticipating the effects of climate change for decades and is impressively adapted for arid and semi-arid climates. As a key player in the global agricultural landscape, the country benefits from a prosperous agricultural market founded on practical and cost-effective innovations and solutions, rather than natural resources. This Course focuses on the sustainable methods applied to achieve high yields and food security, while protecting water sources and mitigating land degradation and desertification, and water management and the use of irrigation technologies as a tool for improving smallholder farming. Participants will meet experts in the field, producers, distributors and even innovators. This course has been tailor made for the specific needs of CARICOM countries. The curriculum covers:

- Natural Water Resources Management
- Water Consumption
- Fundamentals of Urban Water Supply Management and Wastewater
- Policy of Integrated Water Resources Management
- Economical Tools in Water Management
- Wastewater Treatment and Reuse in Agriculture
- Ensuring Water Quality Water Resources Management in Arid and Semi-Arid Climates
- Irrigation as a response to changing conditions
- Drip Irrigation System Workshop
- Intensive Open Field Crop Production in a Changing Climate
- Intensive Greenhouse Crop Production
- Planting and Seeding Vegetables
- Integrated Pest Management and Biological Pest Control

Study Tours include:

- Extensive Water Treatment
- Rain Harvesting and Water Management
- Irrigation Solution Companies
- Regional Water Association
- Desalination Plant
- Vegetable Production in Open Fields
- Arid Climate Farming

Target Group/Profile of Participants:

This Course targets decision makers in the agriculture and the water sectors, professionals involved in agricultural or water development projects, professionals involved in implementing irrigation systems, professionals involved in the farming of small plots, consultants in the agriculture or water sector, financiers of irrigation projects, directors of regional offices responsible for water, employees of the private sector, NGO employees, and academics and researchers.

2. Crisis and Mass Disaster Management

This Course provides knowledge and understanding in critical threat realities confronting countries due to Climate change. The simulation exercise workshop cements the need for a whole of Government coordinated approach to resolving situations of national importance. The need to develop the relevant expertise, policies, procedures and systems is emphasized as well as requirements to regularly practice policy provisions in order to effectively and efficiently. This course has been tailor made for the specific needs of CARICOM countries, which includes a 2-day training unit on Natural Disasters and Humanitarian Crises Management.

The curriculum covers:

- Emergency Management as a Profession
- National Disaster Management Plan
- Emergencies: Public Resilience and Behavior
- Crisis Communication and Media Management
- Role of the Health Service during Crises and Mass Disasters
- Community Emergency Teams (CET)
- Police Action in Crises
- Role of the Fire Department

Target Group/Profile of Participants:

The Courses target individuals who are working professionals with backgrounds or working experience in emergency management and disaster response. These may include staff of local and regional disaster management agencies and non-government organizations (NGOs), public administrators, first responders, military and law enforcement personnel, policy makers, urban planners, public health workers, community development personnel and disaster relief coordinators, etc.

▼ LOCATION, DATES & DETAILS OF COURSES

The Courses will be held at the Galilee International Management Institute in Nahalal Israel during the following dates:

December 4 – 17, 2018

- Water Management and Irrigation Technologies for Smallholder Development and Irrigated Agriculture in Times of Climate Change (a combined course tailored to the Caribbean)

December 6 – 17, 2018

- Crisis and Mass Disaster Management:

GIMI Contact Information:

Applicants can contact the GIMI International Department at info@galilcol.ac.il or visit the GIMI's website at www.galilcol.ac.il for more information about the Courses.

▼ SCHOLARSHIP OVERVIEW

COURSES:	December 4 – 17, 2018 Water Management and Irrigation Technologies for Smallholder Development and Irrigated Agriculture in Times of Climate Change (a combined course tailored to the Caribbean)\
	December 6 – 17, 2018 Crisis and Mass Disaster Management
MODALITY:	Onsite, Nahalal, Israel
LANGUAGE:	English
DURATION:	10 - 14 days
DEADLINE:	October 31, 2018

▼ SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS

To apply for the scholarship, applicants must complete an OAS online scholarship application form and attach the required supporting documents listed below:

1. One (1) recommendation letter from employer / institution in sponsoring country.
 - a. The letter must include the letterhead of the institution / employer, the position of the referee, date and signature. The recommendation letter should be addressed to the OAS Scholarship and Training Programs, Department of Human Development, Education and Employment.
2. Response to essay question - *Describe how participating in this course will enhance your professional skills, and directly impact institution, community and country.*
 - a. The essay should be no more than two pages; written in size 12 times new roman font and double-spaced.
3. Cover letter detailing relevant work experience in the area of study.
4. Curriculum vitae or resume.
5. Copy of a government issued ID (passport or national ID Card).

Please note the following:

- All documents must be in English or official translated to English.
- **ALL** the required documents must be combined into **one (1) single PDF file (no larger than 5MB)**. If the file is larger than 5MB, the application system would not accept the file and does allow for more than one document to be uploaded.
- **Only complete applications will be considered**

[Click here to access for the online scholarship application Form](#)

▼ SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS AND EXPENSES NOT COVERED

SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Full tuition waiver of USD \$2,770 from GIMI; and✓ A one-time allowance of USD \$1,200 (paid directly to GIMI by the GS/OAS), to help defray the cost of local expenses in Israel.
FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">⊗ Round trip air fare.⊗ Costs of all local expenses which, after applying the one-time allowance to those costs, the outstanding balance to be paid directly to GIMI is estimated at USD \$2,200 for double occupancy (or USD \$3,400 for single occupancy), and includes:<ol style="list-style-type: none">(i) Accommodations (full board and some refreshments);(ii) transportation from and to the airport, as well as transportation for study tours and Holy Land excursions;(iii) on-site excursion coordinators;(iv) computer and Internet facilities;(v) medical insurance;(vi) registration fee;(vii) visa and immigration costs (if applicable); and(viii) Any additional costs that are not included in the scholarship benefits

⊗ These above expenses listed as financial responsibility shall be the sole and exclusive responsibility of the scholarship recipients.

▼ ELIGIBILITY

To be considered for this scholarship opportunity, an applicant must:

- Submit a complete scholarship application with all required supporting documents; and
- Be a citizen and/or permanent legal resident of a [CARICOM](#) country that is an [OAS member State](#).

The following applicants are ineligible:

- ⊗ Current OAS scholarship recipients;
- ⊗ GS/OAS staff and their immediate relatives or GS/OAS consultants; and
- ⊗ OAS Permanent officials and their immediate relatives.

▼ SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION CRITERIA

- The merits and overall credentials of the candidate, including his/her academic and professional background; and
- Applicants whose essays portray the highest potential for impact upon return to their countries of origin.

▼ SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION PROCESS

- The OAS and GIMI will select the scholarship awardees, based on the criteria listed above
- The OAS will contact selected candidates by email with the scholarship offer and instructions for the scholarship acceptance form. **Applicants who are not selected will not be contacted.**

▼ DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

- This scholarship will be formally awarded only after the selected awardees have signed a scholarship acceptance form, in which the awardees formally accept the scholarship and agree to its terms and conditions.
- Refrain from activities that are inconsistent with the status of an OAS Scholarship recipient, abiding by the regulations referred to in this Acceptance Form.
- Comply with the provisions indicated in the "Financial responsibilities of Scholarship Recipients"
- Commitment to return to work in their sponsoring country or permanent legal residence at the end of the Courses. Failure to comply with this commitment, the GS/OAS and/or the GIMI could seek reimbursement for the total value of the scholarship awarded.

▼ SCHOLARSHIP CONTACT INFORMATION

Questions about this scholarship opportunity should be sent to scholarships@oas.org with the subject "OAS-Chile Scholarship Program."

▼ FOR MORE INFORMATION



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