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ANNOUNCEMENT

SCHOLARSHIPS UNDER THE IRISH AID-FUNDED FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME, MALAYSIA, 2023/2024

The Embassy of Ireland in Nairobi is inviting applications for scholarships to study Masters in Ireland under the Irish Aid-funded Fellowship Programme, in the academic year 2023/2024.

The Irish Aid Fellowships aim to support capacity strengthening for the attainment of long-term development goals through enhancing the skills and capacities of key individuals, generally drawn from the Public Services and NGO Sector. The Fellowships are **by invitation only** for **full-time study at Masters level**, with a focus on courses that are relevant to Irish Aid's development objectives.

To be eligible, applicants must:

- 1. Be a Kenyan citizen.
- 2. Be a resident in Kenya.
- 3. Work with key Ministry in the Republic of Kenya and have received an official invitation.
- 4. Have achieved the **necessary academic standard to be accepted onto a Master's degree course** in a higher education institution in Ireland.
- 5. Be able to **demonstrate a strong commitment to the development** of their home country.
- 6. Have **identified relevant college courses** in a higher education institution in Ireland. For study in Ireland, you must select courses from **the Irish Aid Fellowship Directory of Eligible Postgraduate Courses.**
- 7. Be applying to **commence a new qualification** and not be seeking funding for a course they have already commenced or which will begin before fellowship awards have been notified.
- 8. Be able to take up the Fellowship in the **academic year 2023/2024**.
- 9. **Provide a letter of reference from their employer** and a completed Employer Endorsement Form.

For study in Ireland, applicants must also:

- 1. Be able to **demonstrate skills in academic English** by achieving an appropriate score on a recognized test (IELTS 6.5)
- 2. Contact the Irish Embassy to confirm that the courses they have chosen from the Directory of Postgraduate Courses accord the Embassy's priorities in their country.

Application

Applicants should select courses from the Irish Aid Fellowship Directory of Eligible Postgraduate Courses accessible at;

https://www.irishaidfellowships.ie/strands/fellowship-training-programme under the tab "application information" and make applications using the correct form downloadable at the same website.

Duly filled application forms with requisite accompanying documents should be submitted to:

The Director Directorate of University Education Ministry of Education P O Box 9583 – 00200 Nairobi

OR

Delivered to the Ministry of Education offices at Telposta Towers, 27th Floor, Room 2702.

The application forms should reach the Ministry not later than <u>22nd July</u>, <u>2022</u>

Further enquiries can be directed to: <u>nairobifellowships@dfa.ie</u>