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Via email to: arkanaltaie@yahoo.com

Dr. Arkan Kh. Husain Al-Yasari
Baghdad, Iraq

December 17, 2010

Dear Dr. Arkan,

We are pleased that you will be joining us for the Institute of International Education’s (IIE) Conference on “Reconstruction of Higher Education in Iraq Post-Conflict” in Amman, Jordan. The conference will be held from January 26th to 28th, 2011 at El Hassan Science City (EHSC) and The Columbia University Middle East Research Center (CUMERC).

This three-day conference will focus on presentations of original research papers on topics related to the reconstruction of the higher education and science sectors in Iraq. An estimated 120 Iraqi scholars, Iraqi public university presidents, international experts and key regional strategic partners will attend this academic event. The Iraqi Ministers of Higher Education from Baghdad and the Kurdish region of Iraq, as well as the Jordanian Minister of Higher Education, will be invited to attend the conference.

Conference participation is offered to you without charge. IIE will provide you with round-trip transportation to Amman by airplane, as well as accommodation in Amman and meals.

We will provide you with more details on the conference activities in the coming weeks. Until then, we look forward to the opportunity to meet you in Amman.

Sincerely,

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Nada Al-Soze
Director, Iraqi Scholar Rescue Project
IIE Scholar Rescue Fund

About IIE and SRF

The Institute of International Education (IIE) was founded in 1919. It is one of the world’s most experienced higher education and exchange organizations. The heart of IIE’s mission is to foster mutual understanding and develop global leaders through international education.

In 2002, IIE launched The Scholar Rescue Fund (SRF) to provide fellowships for scholars threatened in their home countries. These fellowships support temporary academic positions at safe universities and colleges anywhere in the world. SRF scholars contribute to their host universities through teaching, research, lectures and other activities. In return, host universities provide professional guidance and financial and in-kind support. Scholars from any country may qualify.

The Iraq Scholar Rescue Project was launched in August 2007. SRF incepted this project with the goal to rescue Iraq’s most senior academics — from any academic discipline —by placing them at institutions of higher learning mainly in countries within the Middle East and North Africa region (MENA). To date, the IIE Iraq Scholar Rescue Project has granted fellowship assistance to 213 established Iraqi academics who have faced threats to their lives and careers since the war in Iraq began in 2003. In addition to carrying out their fellowships at host institutions, Iraq Project scholar-grantees are invited to attend training workshops and conferences organized by IIE/SRF in an effort to fuel their professional development and prepare them, as academics, to contribute to the rebuilding of Iraq.

About PRDU

Founded in 1993 and based at the University of York (United Kingdom), the Post-war Reconstruction and Development Unit (PRDU) has pioneered the study of war-torn societies and their recovery. Its core staff, which includes individuals from half a dozen conflict-affected countries, reflects expertise related to peace processes, conflict analysis and mitigation, humanitarian intervention, civil-military cooperation, security sector reform, migration, social and economic development, state building, transitional justice, human rights, anti-corruption, and public administration.

Professor Sultan Barakat, Director of PRDU and Professor of Politics, is the author of Reconstructing Post-Saddam Iraq and After the Conflict. In addition to his scholarly work, he serves as a senior advisor for several major international organizations, including the United Nations Development Program, UNICEF, the World Bank, the UK Department for International Development, and the Global Peace Index.
The Institute of International Education’s Scholar Rescue Fund Iraq Project will hold a major three-day conference on the reconstruction of Iraqi higher education in collaboration with the Post-war Reconstruction Development Unit (PRDU) of the University of York. The purpose of the conference is to create a forum for reflection on rebuilding Iraqi Higher Education and for scholarly discussion of original research papers authored by Iraq Project scholar-grantees which will be published in a consolidated volume of research in May, 2011.

When: January 26th to 28th, 2011.

Where: Amman, Jordan.

Background:
- In June 2010, Iraqi SRF scholars and educational experts were invited to write original research papers on topics related to the reconstruction of the higher education and science sectors in Iraq.
- Seventeen proposals were selected from a total of 31 submitted to the PRDU by current SRF scholars on fellowship, program-alumni, and invited specialists of Iraqi higher education.
- Several of the accepted proposals represent collaborative research projects between two or more scholars, including current SRF scholars on fellowship and program alumni as well as independent scholars currently working in Iraq.

Participants and Guests:
- An estimated 100 Iraqi SRF scholar-grantees, Iraqi public university presidents, international experts and key regional strategic partners will attend this academic event.
- Iraqi Ministers of Higher Education, from Baghdad and the Kurdish region of Iraq, as well as the Jordanian Minister of Higher Education will be invited to attend the conference.

Speakers and Presenters:
- Conference proceedings will be opened by IIE Vice Chair and Scholar Rescue Fund Chairman, Dr. Henry Jarecki.
- HH Prince El-Hassan bin Talal of Jordan will address the attendees on the importance and historical development of higher education within the West Asia North Africa region (WANA).
- IIE President and CEO Dr. Allan Goodman will speak on the second day of the conference on the internationalization of higher education in the Middle East: challenges and recommendations.
- Professor Sultan Barakat, the founding Director of PRDU, will serve as the conference facilitator. He will also discuss the specific manner in which higher education has been and has not been factored into the international community’s thinking on post-conflict recovery.
- A select number of Iraqi authors of original research papers will present their papers for discussion.

* See reverse for background on PRDU and IIE