



# ANNOUCEMENT

## 1<sup>st</sup> CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR EMERGENCY SCHOLARSHIPS and GRANTS (2013-2014 Academic YEAR)

**Would you like to continue your studies at the Higher Education level?**

### **Eligibility and Application Overview**

#### **Potential participants must:**

- Be a citizen, national or permanent resident qualified to hold a valid passport issued by the State of Syria;
- Have the refugee status in Lebanon, Turkey or Iraq, or be currently residing in one of these countries;
- Be at least 18 years old by the time the programme begins
- Hold a higher secondary certificate
- Have excellent academic performance
- Have financial need to continue his/her education
- Have a strong interest in a professional qualification
- Have strong motivation to contribute to his/her community

If you meet the above qualifications, you are invited to apply for one of our scholarships enabling you to study in Lebanon, Turkey and in Iraq according to the country where you are now staying.

This scholarship programme is the outcome of joint efforts made by a multi-stake-holders Platform aimed at helping refugee Syrian students to access higher education. This scholarship programme will cover all tuition fees as well as living costs for the 2013-2014 Academic Year.

As an indication the following are main partners to this initiative: The League of Arab States; the Council of Europe; the International Institute of Education; a Consortium of Universities and Higher Education Schools; a number of governments, foundations, companies and individuals. The UfM Secretariat has also been providing assistance and advice to this initiative. Moreover, consultations are being held with the Secretariat of the UfM to develop further this initiative.

Application forms are available online. See more at one of the following websites:

[www.coe.int](http://www.coe.int);

[www.lasportal.org](http://www.lasportal.org) ;

[www.iie.org](http://www.iie.org);

[www.jorgesampaio.pt](http://www.jorgesampaio.pt);

Application forms must be completed and sent to [aureliamartins@casadoregalo.pt](mailto:aureliamartins@casadoregalo.pt) by **15 SEPTEMBER 2013**.

The list of candidates for scholarships in Lebanon, Turkey and Iraq will be available by 30 September 2013.

We strongly encourage qualified female candidates to apply.

**Good luck !**