

DHI Women's Water Fund

- advancing career opportunities in water management

Call for applications

The DHI Women's Water Fund has been created as an initiative benefiting from the "King Hassan II Great World Water Prize" presented to Prof. Torkil Jønch Clausen of DHI at the Fourth World Water Forum in Mexico in 2006. The objective of the DHI Women's Water Fund is to support women in developing countries in advancing their career opportunities in the development and management of water resources (purely academic/scientific career development is not supported).

The Fund's career programme will draw upon transfer of Danish expertise in water resources by offering capacity building visits to Denmark. The visits will include a combined career learning and mentoring program of two to four weeks duration. It is the intention that the Fund will contribute to a longer duration contact and support to the selected candidates.

The capacity building visits include: i) participation in relevant short courses on water resources technologies and management at M.Sc. or Ph.D. level; ii) learning visits at Danish organisations in the field of water; and iii) a mentoring component that includes Senior Danish managers as mentors for each candidate. The mentoring function is intended to be continued for one year after the visit in Denmark as a long distance learning and support relationship.

A Diploma will be issued by the Governing Board of the Fund at the end of the visit to Denmark.

For the present Call, one course option/study visit is available:

A four weeks Course in 'Integrated Environment and Water Management' (IEWM), 2–27 June 2008, at DHI – see Attachment 1. The study visit to Denmark will be in the period 1 June – 28 June 2008

The present Call/study visit for June 2008 is intended for women from developing countries in Africa, Asia or Latin America (with the exception of candidates from the Danida Programme countries, see below) who meet the following criteria:

- Professional background, at least at Master's level
- Minimum 5-7 years of working experience
- Fluency in English
- Present employment in managerial or leadership positions in government, private company or NGO

Applications shall include

- Background of candidate, including full bio-data/Curricula Vitae
- Motivation for application
- Possible letters of recommendation

Applications shall be submitted to the Secretariat of the Fund at DHI (www.dhigroup.com), attention Ms. Winnie Winggaard Thrane (wwt@dhigroup.com), no later than **15 April 2008**.

The selection of successful candidates, and replies to all applicants, will be made in the end of April 2008.

DHI has a close co-operation with Danida Fellowship Centre and we are pleased to inform that Danida Fellowship Centre has a Call for the same course addressed to candidates (men and women) from the Danida Programme countries (Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Burkina Faso, Egypt, Ghana, Kenya, Mali, Mozambique, Nepal, Nicaragua, Tanzania, Uganda, Vietnam, Zambia) who are affiliated with Danida funded programmes/projects, including NGO and government employees. Please take a look at www.dfccentre.com