

GUIDELINES&SELECTION CRITERIA 30 GRANTS INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP “CURIOSI DEL TERRITORIO 2011”

**Tourism and cultural exchanges managers
Including Italian Language Course – Intermediate+ Level
Pordenone (Italy) 4 - 25 September 2011**

INTRODUCTION The Regional Institute for European Studies of Friuli Venezia Giulia (Istituto Regionale di Studi Europei del Friuli Venezia Giulia – IRSE) has been committed to socio-economic and intercultural training since 1972, as well as specific language teaching. Since 1986 it has organized annually a high level Italian Language and Culture training course in the month of September, directed at young university graduates from the European Union and eastern European countries.

After 2006, the initiative added another qualification, as an international workshop for young tourism and cultural exchanges managers. The programme has been especially enriched by the collaboration of a variety of public and private institutions. The month of September, which always offers a wealth of events in Friuli Venezia Giulia, gives the participants direct contact with regional managers, who on their part greatly appreciate the opportunity of meeting tourist operators both linguistically and culturally prepared, with whom they can create future working relationships.

SELECTION OF PARTICIPANTS 30 participants will be selected coming from EU countries as well as from Russia, Belarus, Ucraina, Balcanic area countries, and others with specific economic or cultural contacts with the Friuli Venezia Giulia region or with the Province of Pordenone.

Prerequisites

- **age** between **22** and **35**;
- **good knowledge of the Italian language** (European Framework **B2** level, preferably with certification);
- **university student** or **university graduate**;
- **work experience**, especially in the area of tourism and foreign cultural exchange with specific interest towards Friuli Venezia Giulia region.

DEADLINE 2011 After careful perusal of these notes, candidates must fill in the **Application Form** and send it in **before May 21st, 2011** by e-mail to irse@centroculturapordenone.it or mail to: IRSE – Via Concordia 7 33170 PORDENONE - ITALIA

ACCEPTANCE will be communicated before June 25th, 2011

PROGRAMME The workshop lasts three-weeks and participation is full time with more than 100 hours of lessons and activities (N.B. During the 3rd week the participants will take part in some job-experience in the Pordenone area).

Arrival: Sunday 4 September 2011; departure: Sunday 25 September 2011. **Please note that full attendance is required.**

Participants will take part in upper-intermediate Italian language lessons for professional communication purposes. Specific lessons on socio-economic and cultural subjects are given by University professors, professional figures and experts. Guided tours in the Region are included in the programme.

VENUE The course is organized by the Regional Institute of European Studies in Friuli Venezia Giulia (IRSE).

All the facilities of the cultural centre where IRSE is located (Centro Culturale Casa A. Zanussi, Via Concordia 7, Pordenone www.centroculturapordenone.it) are open to the participants during the period of the lessons and seminars. These include: fully equipped classrooms, wi-fi areas, Auditorium, self-service restaurant, book and video libraries.

General Expenses: all the general expenses are paid by the promoters and consist of: Board and Lodging, all the teaching activities, day trips and guided tours. Overnight accommodation with breakfast is arranged in a hotel near the course centre. Midday meals at the self-service restaurant in the course centre, or during day trips.

Travelling expenses: all travelling expenses must be paid personally by participants, or by their promoters.

Health assistance: all participants must be in possession of the European Health Insurance Card (EHIC), or a similar health insurance policy.

Visa regulations: to be able to benefit from the grant, selected participant must apply to the Consular Italian Authority for a Visa, if requested for their countries. L'IRSE will provide necessary documentation upon request.

THE APPLICATION FORM MUST INCLUDE A DETAILED CURRICULUM VITAE WRITTEN IN ITALIAN AND A LETTER OF INTRODUCTION FROM AN EMPLOYER OR A UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR.

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