

## KOREA INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AGENCY

Mr. Pham Hoang Mai Director General Foreign Economic Relations Department (FERD) Ministry of Planning and Investment (MPI)

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Subject: Announcement for 2024 KOICA Master and PhD's Degree Scholarship Programs

Dear Mr. Pham Hoang Mai,

The Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA) Viet Nam Office presents its compliments to MPI's FERD and has the honour to announce that we are opening 25 courses for the 2024 KOICA Scholarship Program, including 20 master's programs and five doctoral programs.

Among the 25 courses, we have now opened 15 master's programs in the first batch of the 2024 KOICA Scholarship Program. The remaining 5 master's programs and 5 doctoral programs will follow shortly after the selection process for operating universities and will be noticed later.

All applicants must submit application documents specified in Application Guideline (attached herewith) and Program Information (PI) for each course they intend to apply.

Program Information (PI) for each course (of the 1<sup>st</sup> batch) is available as of 24 January 2024 on the KOICA CIAT website: https://www.koica.go.kr/sites/ciat/index.do.

Eligible applicants must hold citizenship of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam and be government employees. In addition, all applicants must submit an official nomination letter from the applicant's affiliated organization to KOICA Viet Nam Office to bear all responsibilities related to absconding and absence without leave issues. If the applicant's affiliated organization is not a government body of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, the applicant bear the responsibility to prove the organization has the authority granted from the government body to nominate their employee for the scholarship. Each applicant can only apply for one course.

KOICA Viet Nam Office will contact shortlisted applicants for a screening interview. Then we will nominate the most qualified candidates from the country to move on to the next stage for a competition with nominees from other participating countries for the 2024 KOICA Scholarship Program. KOICA highly recommends that Scholarship Program participants make professional contributions to their organization at least one year after finishing the course.

We recommend that applicants refer to the Checklist for Application (attached herewith) which gives an overview of the requirements for KOICA and the universities. Applicants must submit all required documents by email to KOICA Viet Nam Office (<a href="koicavn.ciat@gmail.com">koicavn.ciat@gmail.com</a>) by 21 February 2024. Interview will be conducted by KOICA Viet Nam Office soon after that. KOICA Viet Nam Office then submit interview result and related documents to KOICA Headquarters by early March 2024 and selected applicants will be required to submit necessary documents for admission to universities in the way that universities will provide individual guidance to respective applicants. The following specific selection steps are generally mentioned in the 2024 KOICA Scholarship Program Application Guideline (attached herewith) but beware that timeline may vary for each university.

It would be highly appreciated if MPI's FERD could make the Announcement for the 2024 KOICA Scholarship Program widely accessible to government employees and recommend eligible applicants.

If you need further information, please contact the person in charge, Ms. Thao, at 0979 886 798 or email at <a href="mailto:koicavn.ciat@gmail.com">koicavn.ciat@gmail.com</a>.

KOICA Viet Nam Office avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the MPI's FERD the assurances of its highest consideration.

Sincerely,

Lee Byung Hwa

**Country Director** 

**KOICA Viet Nam Office** 

Enc.: - 2024 KOICA Scholarship Program Application Guideline for Master or Doctoral

Degree Course;

- KOICA Application Form;

- Application Checklist.

Cc: - Ministry of Defense;

- Ministry of Public Security;

- Ministry of Foreign Affairs;

- Ministry of Home Affairs;

- Ministry of Justice;

- Ministry of Finance;

- Ministry of Industry and Trade;

- Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development;

- Ministry of Transportation;

- Ministry of Construction;

- Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment;

- Ministry of Information and Communication;

- Ministry of Labours, Invalids and Social Affairs;

- Ministry of Science and Technology;

- Ministry of Education and Training;

- Ministry of Health;

- Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism;

- The State Bank of Viet Nam;

- The Office of the Government;

- Viet Nam Women's Union;

- People's Committee of Provinces/ cities.