Applications Invited for 2007 Shonan Session of UNU Global Seminars

Event: UNU Global Seminar – Twenty-third Shonan Session
Theme: “Stakeholders for a New Global Order”
Date: 3–7 September 2007 (Monday–Friday)
Venue: Shonan Village Center
Organizers: United Nations University (UNU) and Kanagawa International Foundation

Event Information
- UNU Global Seminars are designed to enhance awareness among university students and young professionals about issues of global concern. In 2007, a series of seven sessions will be held in locations throughout Japan.
- In the midst of accelerated globalization, the world today stands at a crossroads, with the outline of the post-cold war global order still vague and uncertain. Participants in the 2007 UNU Global Seminar – Shonan Session will explore the contributions that various actors (sovereign states, international organizations, non-governmental organizations, civil society, the private sector and epistemic communities) can and should make for forming a new global order, with special reference to the missions of the United Nations.
- The session will open on Monday afternoon (3 September) with keynote lectures by Prof. Richard Falk (University of California, Santa Barbara) and Prof. Yoshinobu Yamamoto (Aoyama Gakuin University). These keynote lectures are open to the public; media representatives are cordially invited to attend. For more information, contact Naoko Yano, UNU Office of Communications (tel: 03-5467-1311; e-mail: media@unu.edu).

Information for Applicants
- Applications are now being accepted for the 23rd annual UNU Global Seminar – Shonan Session. The session is open to students enrolled in a Japanese university (undergraduate or graduate level) and young professionals residing in Japan.
- Participants are required to understand both English and Japanese, as lectures may be delivered in either language, without interpretation.
- The deadline for applications is 25 May.
- Approximately 100 applicants will be selected to participate. A participation fee of JPY40,000 covers meals, accommodation and seminar documentation. Foreign students who do not receive a monthly scholarship of more than JPY134,000 for their studies may apply for a waiver of the participation fee.
- The seminar will open with public keynote lectures (see above) on 3 September. On 4–6 Sept., participants will attend lecture/discussion sessions on “Military and Political Order”, “Human Rights and Humanitarian Order” and “Development and Environmental Order”. The seminar will conclude on 7 Sept. with group presentations, a closing ceremony and a farewell lunch.
- For more information and an application form, go to http://www.unu.edu/gs/ or contact the UNU Global Seminar – Shonan Session Secretariat (tel.: 03-3499-2811; fax: 03-3499-2828; e-mail: shonan2007@hq.unu.edu).

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