



Call for Applications

Scholarly Exchange Fellowship

2014/2015

The Kuwait-MIT Center for Natural Resources and the Environment (CNRE) invites applications for Scholarly Exchange Fellowships in energy, water, natural resources management and economics, sustainable development and urban planning, and environment research. The fellowships are intended to foster collaborative research by providing scientists and scholars from Kuwait, with demonstrated track record in the aforementioned research areas, an opportunity to visit with their counterparts at MIT and engage in related cutting-edge on-campus research activities. Fellows will be appointed as <u>Visiting Scientists</u> at MIT.

Fellowships normally will be awarded for a period of 12 months with the appointment starting after July 1, 2014. Each Fellow receives a \$32,000 stipend covering living and travel expenses. Shorter visits beyond 3 months to initiate collaborative research that continues afterwards may be considered; stipend prorated accordingly.

Eligibility:

- 1. Limited to citizens of Kuwait
- 2. Applicant has an appointment at an institution other than MIT
- 3. Applicant holds a graduate degree (MS or PhD) in a scientific or technical area
- 4. Applicant maybe a university faculty member, a research scientist, or from industry
- 5. Meet requirements for J Exchange Visitor Visa

Application requirements:

- 1. Research statement (2-3 pages):
 - Summary of research interests and objectives describing the proposed work to be pursued during the duration of the fellowship and expected outcome
 - The candidate is responsible for identifying an MIT Faculty member with whom the proposed research is to be performed and have his/her consent
 - The proposed research should fall within the Center research mission
- 2. Two letters of support from current or past supervisors or colleagues who can attest to the candidate's strengths and employment status, addressed to the Executive Director of CNRE.
- 3. CV with a list of scientific publications
- 4. Must propose a specific timeline for the visit starting after July 1, 2014

Application form/instructions: http://cnre.mit.edu/visiting-programs/scholarly-exchange-fellowship

Application timeline:

1. September 5, 2013: Call for Applications

2. March 1, 2014: Deadline for complete applications

3. March 15, 2014: Selected applicants will be contacted for an interview

4. April 1, 2014: Approval notifications

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About the Center:

The Kuwait-MIT Center for Natural Resources and the Environment (CNRE) was established in 2005 – sponsored by the Kuwait Foundation for the Advancement of Sciences (KFAS). The Center brings together faculty, students, visiting students and scientists to improve scientific and technical understanding of natural resources and the environment issues and related challenges. The Center also fosters research collaborations between Kuwaiti Institutions and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the areas of energy, water and the environment through a number of grant programs (http://cnre.mit.edu).

