# CALL FOR APPLICATIONS NEW EUROPE COLLEGE "SPIRU HARET" FELLOWSHIPS Academic year 2022-23

New Europe College-Institute for Advanced Study in Bucharest, Romania announces the competition for the "Spiru Haret" Fellowships in the academic year 2022-23.

The program targets young Romanian researchers/academics in the humanities and social sciences whose projects address questions relating to migration, displacement, diaspora. Candidates are expected to focus on Romanian cases seen in a larger historical, geographical and political context, in thus broadening our understanding of contemporary developments. Such aspects as transnational mobility, the development of communication technologies and of digitization, public policies on migration, ways of employing transnational communities, migrant routes, the migrants' remittances and entrepreneurial capital could be taken into account. NEC also welcomes projects which look at cultural phenomena (in literature, visual arts, music etc.) related to migration and diaspora.

The Romanian Fellows will be integrated in the NEC community and will work, alongside their foreign colleagues whose projects tackle the same kind of questions, as a focus group in diaspora and migration studies, in accordance with the goal of the "Spiru Haret" Fellowship Program.

**Eligibility:** Applicants **must be Romanian citizens and hold a PhD title**. Preference is given to candidates who have not yet benefited from a NEC Fellowship.

Working languages: English, French, and German. A good command of English is desirable.

Duration of the Fellowship: A full academic year.

Location: New Europe College – Institute for Advanced Study, Bucharest, Romania.

**The Fellowship consists of**: A monthly stipend of 4.200 RON (tax free) and financial support for a onemonth research trip abroad to an institution of their choice of up to 6.500 RON. As an alternative, the fellows can opt for field research, in Romania or outside it.

The Fellows are expected to work on their own projects, and take part in the scientific events organized by the New Europe College. At the end of their Fellowship, each Fellow is expected to hand in a research paper, reflecting the results of his/her work over the duration of the Fellowship. The papers will be included in a NEC publication.

**How to apply:** Applications (in English, French or German) will be submitted in electronic format only, using the on-line form available at <u>applications.nec.ro</u>. See the guidelines below to make sure you have all the needed documents to fill in the form. Please also note that English is the preferred language of communication during most NEC events.

**Selection process:** Applications will be evaluated by NEC's academic staff, in consultation with external experts. Candidates will be notified on the results of the pre-selection in the first half of March 2022, by e-mail. Shortlisted candidates will be invited to an interview, scheduled on April 7–8, 2022. Decisions to select the NEC Fellows will be taken by the members of NEC Academic Advisory Board. For selection criteria, please visit **Guidelines** below. Please note that NEC does not disclose to candidates the assessment reports on the applications.

## **GUIDELINES FOR APPLICANTS**

#### Submitting an Application

Please find below the list of documents you need to upload to the application platform:

- a recent photo
- a scan of your PhD diploma
- at least two original letters of reference (in English, French, or German) written explicitly to support your application for the NEC Fellowship. **Referees will be invited to upload the letters themselves**.

Please answer all the questions mentioned in the application form and do not exceed the allotted space. The project itself should not exceed 12,000 characters (with spaces), including bibliographical references. The project should describe the state of research in your particular area of interest and indicate your objectives.

### Selection Criteria

- High quality of the candidate's academic trajectory and publications, participation in international research;
- Innovative fundamental research proposal with significant contribution to scholarship;
- Interdisciplinary and/or comparative approaches are an advantage.

#### The deadline for the submission of applications is January 10, 2022.

Incomplete or late applications will not be taken into consideration.

We will acknowledge receipt of an application and confirm whether the application requirements have been met within 3 days after the deadline.

The applicants will be notified on the results of the selection by e-mail.

If you have any questions, please send an e-mail to: applications@nec.ro

### GDPR

NEC processes and stores personal data in accordance with current GDPR regulations.

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