OIES – Saudi Aramco Fellowship

1. FURTHER PARTICULARS

1. The Oxford Institute for Energy Studies (OIES) is a Recognized Independent Centre of the University of Oxford. It was founded in 1982 as an independent centre for advanced research in the economic and social science aspects of energy. The Institute is committed to achieving the highest academic standards. Oxford University and three of its colleges – St Antony’s, St Catherine’s and Nuffield – are Members of the Institute and occupy seats on the Board of Governors.

There are currently 11 core academic staff and a further 14 research staff members engaged in various research projects across the Institute’s Oil, Gas & Electricity Programmes. The Institute has 33 senior research advisors drawn from a variety of backgrounds; industry, academia, journalism and elsewhere. Further information can be found at: http://www.oxfordenergy.org

2. The applicant must:

- be a current PhD student* or;
- be a post-doctoral student* or;
- be an MSc student with relevant research/industrial experience*
- be in the early stages of their research career
- be a citizen of the EEA or a Swiss citizen or have a visa that covers the period of the award and is appropriate to their participation in the Fellowship.

The European Economic Area (EEA) consists of the European Union (including the UK) plus Iceland, Norway and Liechtenstein.

*in economics, politics or international affairs

3. The fellowship covers all areas of energy research, with a focus on oil and gas, including international relations between producers and consumers of energy; the economic development of producing nations and the geo-political aspects of all these issues alongside the economics and politics of the environment in relation to energy.
4. Those appointed are expected to be strong candidates who can demonstrate an academic background sufficient to confirm their ability to complete the proposed programme of research.

5. The person appointed will hold the title of OIES-Saudi Aramco Fellow.

6. Conditions of Fellowship Award

The amount of the award will vary dependent on length of research period. The maximum duration of an award is six months. Payment of the award is on completion of research.

There will be three awards per academic year.

The appointee will not be considered to be an employee of the Institute for purposes of UK employment law. The Institute will not contribute to pension funds, sick pay or provide other benefits on behalf of the appointee.

The appointee does not have to be based in Oxford for the period of the award but is required to travel to Oxford on a regular basis to discuss research progress with their supervisor, as designated by the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies.

How to apply

Applications, with a detailed curriculum vitae, a covering letter, which addresses the selection criteria, and names and contact details of two referees (please see below), and a detailed research proposal should be sent to:

The Administrator
Oxford Institute for Energy Studies
57 Woodstock Road
Oxford, OX2 6FA
Email kate.teasdale@oxfordenergy.org

Please do not send reference letters or any additional documents, other than the requested material, with your initial application.

Email applications are acceptable (please send these to the address above). There is no need to send a hard copy in addition to an email application.

Applications should be received no later than July 31 2015.
Applicants should include their daytime telephone number and the names and addresses of two persons to whom reference may be made. **OIES will assume that it is free to approach referees at any stage unless the candidate’s application stipulates otherwise** (i.e. candidates who wish a referee or referees to be approached only with their specific permission and/or if they are being called for interview on the final short list or are in receipt of a conditional offer, are asked to state such requirements explicitly alongside their details of the relevant referee(s)). At least one of those named as a referee should have direct experience of the candidate’s work, either as an academic adviser, a manager or through a period of professional interaction. It would be helpful if candidates could indicate the capacity in which their referees have gained knowledge of their work.

1.1 **EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES STATEMENT**

As an Equal Opportunity employer, we positively encourage applications from people of different backgrounds. All our jobs are filled in line with our equal opportunities code of practice, which helps us make sure that men and women, people of different religions or beliefs, racial groups, and those with disabilities are all treated fairly.

**Data protection**

OIES reserves the right to screen individuals for awards. Any such screening would be discussed with an individual in advance of it taking place.

All data supplied by applicants will be used only for the purposes of determining their suitability for the award, and will be held in accordance with the principles of the Data Protection Act 1998.

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