

Call for Applications

OSCE Annual Central Asian Youth Network Seminar: "Building Security Community in Central Asia"

3-5 November 2011 Almaty, Kazakhstan

The Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe's (OSCE) Centre in Astana, Kazakhstan is pleased to invite <u>undergraduate students</u> currently enrolled in institutes of higher education from Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan to submit essays for competitive selection to attend the OSCE Central Asian Student Leadership Seminars, which will be hosted by the OSCE Centre in Astana and held on **3-5 November 2011** in Almaty, Kazakhstan.

The seminar will bring together promising student leaders from Central Asian OSCE participating States to improve their knowledge of threats to security in Central Asia and the OSCE commitments. Seminar participants will be selected based on the quality of their application, which should directly address the following essay topic:

I am Central Asian. Discuss.

The working languages of the seminar will be **English and Russian**, and for this reason students will be required to be fluent in both languages.

Essay should be no longer than **500 words**, written in **English** and entered into the application form. Application forms are available at: http://www.osce.org/astana.

CAYN Alumni are encouraged to apply too. Please check the Application form for CAYN Alumni.

Successful candidates will be invited, all expenses paid, to attend the seminar in Almaty to participate in panel discussions and interactive exercises with their fellow Central Asian students, CAYN alumni, and leading regional experts.

Please submit your application by email only to: <u>Dina.Iskaliyeva@osce.org</u>

DEADLINE: 12 October, 2011 (Earlier submissions are encouraged)

Application and an essay <u>must</u> be submitted in one Microsoft Word 2003 document (.doc). No phone calls please.

For more information on CAYN/OSCE activities, please visit: http://www.osce.org/astana/69586