

Call for Applications

RFE/RL Regional Reporting Fellowship Application Deadline: Wednesday, September 28, 2016

Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty (RFE/RL) is now accepting applications for the 2016-2017 RFE/RL Regional Reporting Fellowship.

The purpose of the Fellowship is to contribute to the professional development of aspiring journalists in the EU's Eastern Partnership countries in support of media freedom and independence in the region.

Participation in the Fellowship is guided by RFE/RL's mission to practice independent, fact-based journalism in support of democracy and human rights. The program, now in its third year, is financed in part by a grant from the US Embassy of the Czech Republic.

Program Summary

Fellows will be selected from Eastern Partnership countries and placed with a local RFE/RL bureau. They will be integrated into the daily work of the bureau, where they will work on a full-time basis producing reports, multi-media products and social media content, while receiving supervision and mentoring from RFE/RL's seasoned professionals. As a result of the program, Fellows are expected to develop their journalistic skills and knowledge, expand their professional networks, and deepen their understanding of the role of an independent press in their country.

The Fellowship is for an eight-month term, approximately from November 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. It will include a visit to RFE/RL's headquarters in Prague for additional professional development.

Fellows will receive a monthly stipend for the term of the program that is consistent with the local wage scale, workspace at an appropriate RFE/RL bureau, and paid travel and accommodations to Prague. Housing may be provided for Fellows who must relocate to work at the local bureau.

<u>To Apply</u>

Journalists from Armenia, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, and Ukraine are eligible to apply.

Completed applications are due to RFE/RL at <u>hokuvovaj@rferl.org</u> by Wednesday, September 28, 2016.

A complete application must include the following materials:



- 1. Cover letter: to include the applicant's reasons for applying to the program; journalistic interests, values, or experiences that would qualify the applicant for the program; and the applicant's professional goals following the Fellowship's completion.
- 2. CV: to include personal data, professional experience and affiliations, educational background, and language proficiency. (English-language proficiency is not required.)
- 3. Two work samples in the applicant's working language, published within the last 12 months.

As part of the selection process, applicants may be contacted by RFE/RL for an interview inperson, by telephone, or by Skype.

Selection

The selection process is competitive. Applicants will be selected on the basis of their qualifications, their ability to contribute to the work of the bureau, and their professional motivation and goals, as stated in the cover letter.

Applicants will be notified of their selection on Friday, October 14, 2016.

Questions may be directed to hokuvovaj@rferl.org.