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International Travel Award for Distinguished Service in Educational Reform

<http://www.cies.us/home.htm>

We are pleased to announce the 2012 CIES International Travel Award for Distinguished Service in Educational Reform. The travel award was established through an endowment from George Soros and the Open Society Institute (OSI) to encourage distinguished researchers and practitioners from developing countries to participate in CIES conferences. Launched at the 2009 CIES conference, the endowment attempts to facilitate the participation of international education experts who serve in countries where international projects are implemented.

We are extraordinarily pleased to announce that a total of fifteen (15) grants of \$1,000 each will be awarded this year for the 2012 conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Conference participants from developing countries with at least five (5) years of professional experience in educational development are eligible to apply. Applicants must have submitted their CIES conference presentation abstract by the submission deadline (October 31, 2011) through the conference online submission system. Applicants who are selected for the travel award will receive \$1,000 provided that their proposal has been accepted for presentation at the conference. The application deadline is **January 5, 2012** and awardees will be notified by January 20, 2012. Awardees will be announced on the conference website as well as in the CIES Newsletter.

The 56th Annual Conference of the Comparative and International Education Society marks the twenty-third anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall and the beginning of a new era in education and development. Arguably, OSI was the largest and most influential NGO in the post-socialist region and has left a deep mark on educational development in these thirty and more countries. In 1992, OSI funded travel and accommodation for 15 ministers of education from the newly established countries in the Commonwealth of Independent States as well as from Eastern Europe. Since this historic moment, OSI has provided numerous scholarships and travel grants for residents from the post-socialist region, and more recently, from other countries that are dependent on external financial assistance.

For information on how to apply for an International Travel Award and to access the application form please visit: <http://www.cies.us/home.htm> or <http://www.cies2012.psu.edu/cies-awards.html>.

For more information about the 56th annual meeting of the CIES, please go to <http://www.cies2012.psu.edu/index.html>. Questions about the 2012 International Travel Award can be directed to cies.travel.award@gmail.com.



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Application Form

The International Travel Award for Distinguished Service in Educational Reform was established in 2009 through funds provided by the Open Society Institute. The objective of the Award is to facilitate participation of international educational experts at the CIES annual conference. CIES conference participants with more than five (5) years of professional experience in educational development are eligible to apply for a \$1000 award to support travel-related costs. The **deadline** for submitting the application is **January 5, 2012**. Awardees will be notified by January 20, 2012.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Organization/Institution: _____

Job Title: _____

No. of years in current job: _____

No. of years in Educational Development: _____

Current Country of Residence: _____

Title of submitted proposal abstract to CIES 2012: _____

Do you anticipate other funding support for your conference travel and expenses? _____

Please write a personal statement (maximum of 500 words) about your service in educational development. Note that if you are awarded a grant, this information will be published in the CIES newsletter and on the CIES website.

A complete application includes:

- 1) The application form
- 2) A copy of your CIES 2012 proposal abstract
- 3) Your resume or CV
- 4) A 500 word personal statement

Please send all components of your completed application in one email to cies.travel.award@gmail.com and write 'CIES 2012 INT'L TRAVEL GRANT' in the subject line. Thank you for your interest!

This is a fillable PDF form. Please complete the form and save it. E-mail the form, along with other required application materials, to cies.travel.award@gmail.com by January 5, 2012. Alternatively, you may print out the form and email a scanned copy along with your application.