**CONTEST APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE "ZHAS ZERTTEUSHI-2021"**

1. **PROCEDURE FOR ACCEPTING DOCUMENTS. REQUIREMENTS FOR WRITING AN ESSAY**
2. **Applicant provides the following documents to participate in the Program:**

* Application form (***Annex 1***);
* CV
* Essay with no more than 1000 characters on one of the topics set by Contest organizers;
* ID card (copy);
* Certificates (copies), if available;
* Scientific publications (theses, articles) (copies) with an electronic link, if available.

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**Essay structure:**

* Author vision of the relevance of research topic;
* Author hypothesis on the selected topic;
* Analysis of the current situation;
* Conclusions and suggestions.

3. **Essay subjects:**

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|  | * Transition to high-quality economic growth: prospects and challenges. * World globalization processes after the pandemic. |
|  | * Investment climate impact on attracting foreign and domestic investment in Kazakhstan economy. |
|  | * Kazakhstan's challenges in sustainable development goals. * Kazakhstan economic strategy in the modern world: risks, perspective directions development, position in the world economy. * Strong regions - strong Kazakhstan (improving quality of life in rural areas, urbanization challenges, migration processes, creating jobs in the regions). * Achieving "healthy balance" of self-regulation and state regulation in the field of entrepreneurship. |
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1. **Essays can be submitted in Kazakh or Russian.**
2. **If Essay contains borrowed material (plagiarism), the application shall be excluded from Contest**.
3. **Essays and all necessary documents of participants are sent to email:** g.kashkinbekova@eri.kz with a mandatory indication of subject direction of the Essay.
4. **Essay writing font**: Times New Roman, size - 14, spacing - single, page parameters: top – 2 cm, bottom – 2 cm, left – 2.5 cm, right – 2 cm.
5. **PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION PERIOD**

* Acceptance of documents for the Contest - until April 20, 2021 (until 18:30).
* Announcement of Contest winners list on the MES RK and ERI JSC websites (including personal email) - after May 10, 2021.
* Sending information to the Contest winners about School "Zhas Zertteushi - 2020" with mandatory participation confirmation - after May 10, 2021.
* Sending information to the Contest winners on work schedule agreed with theme managers - after May 20, 2021.

**3. CRITERIA FOR SELECTING APPLICANTS IN**

**THE "ZHAS ZERTTEUSHI - 2021" CONTEST**

* 1. Applicants selection according to the essay results will be based on sum of points for the analytical work content.
  2. Essay will be evaluated according to the criteria given in ***Annex 2*** with 5-point scale.

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**II. ORGANIZATION OF FURTHER WORK WITH ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS**

1. **Organization of online consultations and joint research work with essay contest winners.**

* Organizing and conducting online consultation meetings of theme Managers with contest winners: students of 3-4 courses, undergraduates and masters (via skype, telephone conversations, Whatsapp, etc.) from May 10, 2021.
* Contest winners will prepare a literature review on research topic starting from May 21, 2021.

1. **Preparation of joint analytical study**

* Preparation of sections of joint analytical study by contest winners, students of 3-4 courses, undergraduates and masters - until July 23, 2021.
* Revision of sections of joint analytical study
* Completion of joint analytical study - until August 23, 2021.

1. **School "ZHAS ZERTTEUSHI - 2021**" - August 9-13, 2021
2. **Certificates issuance / distribution to graduates of School "ZHAS ZERTTEUSHI - 2020"** - August 16-20, 2021
3. **FINAL STAGE**

* Preparation of scientific articles for publication by contest winners, together with the Institute experts, in journals recommended by Committee for Control in the Sphere of Education and Science of the MES RK - until August 20, 2021.
* Sending analytical notes to the government of the Republic of Kazakhstan on the basis of joint research work of Contest winners with Institute experts - until August 20, 2021.
* Preparation and distribution of certificates on participation in analytical materials preparation for the government of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the Contest winners - until August 20, 2021.
* Preparation and distribution of letters of thanks to University Rectors for joint work on training highly qualified researchers (signed by senior officials of the MNE of RK and Chairman of the Board of ERI JSC) - until August 20, 2021.

**Annex 1**

**APPLICATION**

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| **Last name:** |  |
| **First name:** |  |
| **Patronymic:** |  |
| **Birth date:** |  |
| **University/Organization name:** |  |
| **Region:** |  |
| **Faculty:** |  |
| **Specialty:** |  |
| **Start of education:** |  |
| **Year of graduation:** |  |
| **Chosen theme**  **researches:** |  |
| **Email:** |  |
| **Telephone:** |  |

**Annex 2**

**ESSAY EVALUATION CRITERIA**

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| **No.** | **Criterion name** | **Works evaluation on 5-point scale** |
| 1 | Relevance disclosure | Х |
| 2 | Degree of novelty (originality of idea and research methods, non-standard approach) | Х |
| 3 | Correspondence of work: to designated topic, goals, and objectives of the study | Х |
| 4 | Degree of theme disclosure | Х |
| 5 | Reasonability, evidence-based arguments, use of modern methods, availability of facts, logic, structure, independence | Х |
| 6 | Theoretical justification of proposed ways to solve problem | Х |
| 7 | Material design, source database analysis, presentation clarity. | Х |