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**Ministry of Education of  
the Government of Italy**

**National Tourist board  
of the Republic of Italy**

On behalf of the Ministry of Tourism and Cultural Heritage of the Republic of Uzbekistan, allow us to extend our greetings and have the honour to inform on the following:

In 2018, H.E. Mr. Shavkat Mirziyoyev, the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan, initiated the establishment of the “Silk Road” International University of Tourism and Cultural Heritage in the ancient city of Samarkand. The University is a leading institution in Uzbekistan, preparing qualified professionals in the fields of tourism, cultural heritage, museum management and creative industries.

In order to further expand cooperation in education sector and strengthen mutual diplomatic ties between our countries, historically positioned on the ancient “Great Silk Road”, the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan awarded **educational grants for graduate programmes** at the “Silk Road” University. As such, one grant is allocated for candidates from Italy.

The University invites talented students from Italy to fulfill **one grant position** for the Academic year of 2022-2023. Considering the fact that the applications are accepted until **July 10, 2022**, we kindly ask for your assistance in facilitating the selection process and receiving a list of candidates from Italy willing to study in one of the graduate programs of “Silk Road” International University of Tourism and Cultural Heritage.

*(detailed information is attached)*

Appendix: 2 lists.

*With regards,*

  
**Aziz Abdukhakimov**  
**Deputy Prime Minister - Minister of Tourism and  
Cultural Heritage of the Republic of Uzbekistan**

№	GRADUATE APPLICATION GUIDELINES
I.	<p data-bbox="225 282 1409 320"><b>“Silk Road” International University of Tourism and Cultural Heritage:</b></p> <p data-bbox="248 331 1409 465">The main goal of the University is to train highly qualified personnel in the field of tourism, cultural heritage, museum management, creative industries and archeology;</p> <p data-bbox="248 477 1409 667">“Silk Road” International Tourism and Cultural Heritage University is the first state university with <b>English</b> as the <b>main</b> language of instruction with top academic staff overseeing an educational process. The University also prides on the first experiential HoReCa academy in the country;</p> <p data-bbox="248 678 1409 813">The University closely cooperates with leading educational institutions in Asia, Europe, US and other countries in research, innovations, knowledge exchange and implementation of joint projects;</p> <p data-bbox="248 824 1409 1205">Studies are taking place in the state of art “Smart campus” offering all necessary facilities that can be found in the world-leading institutions. Specially designed training complex includes hotel rooms, a restaurant and a bar, a 250 seat fully equipped conference hall in addition to a multifunctional gym and a swimming pool. The University’s digital library functions as a high-tech, integrated knowledge base for tourism, cultural heritage and other relevant disciplines. Find more about the University at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQb3RfUv4GPAX890Za7b5Jw">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQb3RfUv4GPAX890Za7b5Jw</a>;</p> <p data-bbox="248 1216 1409 1451">Since 2021, the University has been allocating governmental study grants for international students. This initiative is aimed at attracting diverse student body, cultural exchange, as well as to facilitate close cooperation and collaboration across tourism and cultural heritage fields between the Uzbekistan and partner countries.</p>
II.	<p data-bbox="225 1469 1409 1507"><b>Available fields of the University for one year Master’s degree program:</b></p> <ul data-bbox="288 1518 823 1816" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="288 1518 632 1556">• Logistics in tourism;</li> <li data-bbox="288 1568 770 1606">• Tourism (by field of activity);</li> <li data-bbox="288 1617 584 1655">• Museum Studies;</li> <li data-bbox="288 1666 823 1704">• Management of cultural heritage;</li> <li data-bbox="288 1715 592 1753">• Creative industry;</li> <li data-bbox="288 1765 507 1816">• Archeology.</li> </ul>
III.	<p data-bbox="225 1834 815 1872"><b>Required documents for application:</b></p> <ol data-bbox="288 1883 1409 2107" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="288 1883 884 1921">1. Identity document (passport/ID card)</li> <li data-bbox="288 1933 740 1971">2. Bachelor’s degree diploma;</li> <li data-bbox="288 1982 496 2020">3. Photo 3x4;</li> <li data-bbox="288 2031 1409 2107">4. CV of the applicant (with active contact details: e-mail, mobile telephone number for further communication);</li> </ol>

	<p>5. Language proficiency certificate (<b>IELTS – 6.0 or higher, TOEFL iBM – 72 score or higher</b>);</p> <p>6. Essay on the topic of <i>“Plans for contribution to the development of tourism and cultural heritage sphere between Uzbekistan and the country of applicant”</i> also outlining future plans upon graduation (Length: 1000 words, double spaced, 12pt).</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Applicants must upload electronic copies of the above-mentioned documents at the website of the admissions office: <a href="http://admissions.univ-silkroad.uz">http://admissions.univ-silkroad.uz</a></p>
<b>IV.</b>	<p><b>Application procedure and period:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Application deadline - <b>10<sup>th</sup> of July, 2022</b>;</li> <li>2. Proctored testing - <b>20<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> of July 2022</b> (<i>please check your email regularly for the test date details</i>);</li> <li>3. Interview (<i>online</i>) with prospective applicants - <b>1<sup>st</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> of August 2022</b> (<i>please check your email regularly for the interview invitation link</i>);</li> <li>4. Application decisions announcement – <b>10<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> of August 2022</b> (<i>regularly check e-mail for results and official website of admission commission</i>);</li> <li>5. Visa preparation period - from <b>20<sup>th</sup> of August 2022</b>;</li> <li>6. Student enrolment starts from <b>20<sup>th</sup> of September 2022</b>.</li> </ol>
<b>V.</b>	<p><b>The grant covers the following expenses:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Return airfare (Economy class) to Uzbekistan.</li> <li>2. <b>500 USD</b> (equivalent) monthly stipend and <b>100 USD</b> (equivalent) for dormitory expenses.</li> <li>3. <b>100 USD</b> (equivalent) will be allocated for each trip (twice a year) to Uzbekistan’s ancient cities with the purpose to explore the country’s cultural, architectural riches and become acquainted with its’ diverse traditions and history.</li> </ol>
<b>VI.</b>	<p><b>Website and official pages of the university on social media:</b></p> <p>Website: <a href="https://univ-silkroad.uz/ru">https://univ-silkroad.uz/ru</a>  Telegram channel: <a href="https://t.me/univ_silkroad_uz">https://t.me/univ_silkroad_uz</a>  Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/univsilkroad.uz">https://www.facebook.com/univsilkroad.uz</a>  Instagram: <a href="https://www.instagram.com/univ_silkroad_uz">https://www.instagram.com/univ_silkroad_uz</a>  Twitter: <a href="https://twitter.com/univsilkroad">https://twitter.com/univsilkroad</a></p>
<b>VII.</b>	<p><b>Additional information and contacts:</b></p> <p>For further details and questions please contact Nargiza Hakimova, specialist of the Department of education and science development in the field of tourism and cultural heritage of the Ministry of tourism and cultural heritage of the Republic of Uzbekistan.</p> <p><i>mobile: (+99897) 480-77-76, (+99891) 599-01-22.</i>  <i>e-mail: <a href="mailto:info@motach.uz">info@motach.uz</a></i></p>