NOTICE FOR 2ND ROUND SELECTED CANDIDATES (2023 GKS-G Embassy Track)

Dear Selected Candidates of the 2023 Global Korea Scholarship Graduate Degree Program,

Huge congratulations to you all for making it to the final round of the 2023 GKS-G! We ask all selected candidates of the 2nd round whose names are included in the attached result to carefully read the following information and take appropriate actions for the final round selection process.

Third Round of Selection at each University – by June 9 (Only for Embassy Track Applicants)

NIIED sent three photocopied sets of application documents to the universities for the third round of selection. Each university will conduct the evaluation and inform the results to both candidates and NIIED by June 9. If you do not receive the result from the universities by June 9, you must contact the universities to check the result. During this period, please check your emails frequently and make yourselves available to answer any phone calls from the universities. In case the university requests additional documents, please submit them directly to the university.

Final Choice of University – Due June 14 (Only for Embassy Track Applicants)

Once you receive the results from all three universities (either pass or fail), you must make your final choice on one university and notify NIIED about your final choice no later than Wednesday, June 14,

O How to submit:

- Please write the university you chose in the body of an email in the following format:
 - I, (<u>your name</u>), from <u>(your country)</u> would like to enroll in a department of <u>(name of your department)</u> at <u>(your chosen university)</u>.
 - (e.g.) I, Hong Gil Dong, from South Korea would like to enroll in a department of Chemistry at Seoul National University.
- The subject line of your email should be: [Your Candidate Number]-Name of your chosen university. (e.g.) [2023G-EMB581]-Seoul National University
- O Where to submit: gksselection@korea.kr

- O If you do not wish to proceed with the scholarship program or if you have not passed the third round of selection from all three universities, please let us know about your case. (gksselection@korea.kr)
- O Submission Deadline: Wednesday, June 14, 2023 (Korea Standard Time)

3. Exemption from Korean Language Program – Due June 14

All 2023 GKS-G scholars who pass the final round will take one-year mandatory Korean language program from early September 2023. From 2023, the Korean language program and the degree program will be conducted at the same university, except for five universities*.

* KDI School of Public Policy and Management, GIST (Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology), UNIST (Ulsan National Institute of Science and Technology), POSTECH (Pohang University of Science and Technology), and KAIST (Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology) will operate Korean language programs for GKS scholars at separate institutions. Please contact the relevant university for further information.

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GKS scholars who have valid TOPIK level 5 or 6 will be exempt from the language training program and start their degree program in September 2023. If you have attained TOPIK level 5 or 6 after you have submitted your applications or if you have already received TOPIK level 5 or 6 but did not report us of your score, please inform us by submitting the scanned copy of your TOPIK certificate to NIIED.

* The 87th TOPIK score is the last TOPIK score one should report to NIIED for exemption from the

Korean language program. Applicants who achieved TOPIK level 5 or 6 after application deadline must submit the valid TOPIK certificate to NIIED by June 14. If you have already submitted your TOPIK certificate at the time of application and if there is no change to your TOPIK level, you do not have to re-send the certificate.

- O How to submit
 - Save a scanned file of your TOPIK certificate into a PDF file and name it into the following format: [Your Candidate Number]-TOPIK. Limit the size of the file to less than 5 MB.
 - Attach the pdf file in your <u>University Choice email</u>.

For example, a candidate should attach [2023G-EMB581]-TOPIK (if any) file in his/her university choice email with the subject line, [2023G-EMB581]-Seoul National University.

- O Where to submit: gksselection@korea.kr
- O Submission Deadline: Wednesday, June 14, 2023 (Korea Standard Time)

Important Notes on gksselection@korea.kr account

This is a receive-only email account for document submission. You will not receive any response to your inquiries regarding the program or application. Should you have inquiries that require response, please send an email to kgspniied@korea.kr.

You will not receive confirmation email after your submission. If there is an issue with your submitted email or if we do not receive your email until the due date, then we will contact those candidates individually. If you do not reply to our email on time, it will be regarded as withdrawal from the program, so please check your inbox frequently.

Due to security reasons, we cannot open files that are sent via google drive, dropbox, one drive or any internet-linked files. We only accept files that are attached in an email.

Note: We will announce the final results in late June or early July. However, even after a candidate was announced as a final successful scholar, we may cancel the scholarship at any time if a scholar is found to be disqualified or an application document of a scholar is discovered to be a fraud.

<u>XNIIED will contact GKS scholars to the email account submitted in their application. If scholars need to change their contact information before their enrollment to the university/Korean language institution, please let us know about the updates via email (both kgspniied@korea.kr and gksselection@korea.kr)</u>

We thank you in advance for your full cooperation.

Sincerely, GKS Center, NIIED

May 4, 2023