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# AMERICAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE IN TURKEY

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Dear Friend of ARIT:

We would like to invite you to join North American Friends of ARIT and to contribute to the American Research Institute in Turkey for the coming year. ARIT-supported research, language study and exchanges continue to thrive. Your support can ensure their future successes.

As you know, ARIT has had difficulty securing the funding we need to continue our role in promoting research and supporting fellows in Turkey. Yet with cultural heritage at risk in so many different parts of the world, the activities of the institute are more important than ever before. Since its foundation in 1964, ARIT has funded more than:

- 715 research projects based in North American universities and institutions
- 600 U.S. students of Turkish language in Turkey
- 520 Turkish research projects carried out in Turkey and
- 74 fellowships for Turkish scholars to carry out research outside of the country.

In 2017, thanks to your support, we were able to fund the work of 21 American and Turkish fellows, as well as 16 summer fellows in our Intensive Turkish Language Program.



Two standouts in our lecture programs this year were a conference on [The Protection of Cultural Heritage in Emergency Situations](#), and [Refugees and Migration in Historical Perspective](#). Both series featured ARIT fellows, staff, and board members addressing some of the most important issues facing us today.



Please consider making a gift to ARIT at this time. Your support helps build our future. I have pledged \$5,000 myself in matching funds to ensure that ARIT will continue to serve as a center where American and Turkish scholars can share ideas and develop cross-cultural programs.

**This match will double the power of your tax-deductible gift, so I urge you to be as generous as you can.**

With many thanks and best wishes,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

C. Brian Rose, President

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