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From: Nicholas Cahill, ARIT Vice President

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Subject: **Review of Applications for Excavations and Surveys in Turkey, 2012**

At the ongoing request of the General Director of Cultural Heritage and Museums, of the Ministry of Culture and Tourism, ARIT will continue to review applications for archaeological excavations and surveys in Turkey for 2012. The policy is part of an effort to aid the General Directorate in making informed decisions on applications coming from abroad. The General Director is particularly concerned with evaluating the credentials of scholars who have previously worked little or not at all in Turkey, the scholarly integrity of the project, and the financial prospects of seeing the project to completion.

Prior to submitting an application to the Turkish Embassy for excavation or survey, a summary description of the proposed work should be sent first to ARIT. The Turkish Embassy in Washington will also refer applicants to ARIT. As in the past, the Turkish Embassy will continue to provide application forms to applicants. A committee appointed by the President of ARIT in consultation with ARIT Officers and Directors will review the applications. Details are as follows:

The deadline for submitting project descriptions to ARIT is **November 1**. The project description should include the information listed on the enclosed "Information for Review..." Lengthy statements or copies of detailed grant proposals are definitely to be avoided.

Applications for survey need to include a clear photocopy of a map indicating the area to be surveyed, in order to avoid overlaps with other survey projects. The maps should be at as large a scale as is available. Permit regulations are posted on the ARIT website at [<http://ccat.sas.upenn.edu/ARIT/PermitReview.html>].

ARIT will inform applicants of its recommendations as soon as possible. Applicants do not need to wait for ARIT's determination but should submit complete applications directly to the Turkish Embassy in Washington, no later than **December 1, 2011** and possibly earlier. For new on-line form and updated information, please consult the Turkish Embassy consular website: [[http://www.konsolosluk.gov.tr/usa/en/Research\\_Visas.aspx](http://www.konsolosluk.gov.tr/usa/en/Research_Visas.aspx)]. Clearance by ARIT does not carry the guarantee that applications will be approved by the Turkish authorities.

Project statements and accompanying materials should be sent directly to ARIT headquarters: The University of Pennsylvania Museum, 3260 South Street, Philadelphia PA 19104-6324 (telephone: 215-898-3474; fax: 215-898-0657; email: [leinwand@sas.upenn.edu](mailto:leinwand@sas.upenn.edu)).

ARIT looks upon the review procedure as a positive process, to give Turkish officials assurance that projects coming from the U.S. are scholarly sound and stand a reasonable chance of securing adequate funding.

Individual, i.e., non-team applications for archaeological research in Turkey, e.g., to study museum collections or to conduct other personal research outside the context of an excavation or survey, should be made directly through the Ministry of Tourism and Culture.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me if you have any questions at [<ndcahill@wisc.edu>](mailto:ndcahill@wisc.edu).

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## Information for Review of Proposed Excavations and Surveys for 2012

The application format is also accessible via ARIT website at [<http://ccat.sas.upenn.edu/ARIT>].

1. Name and institutional affiliation of applicant.
2. Addresses, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail address.
3. Curriculum vitae, including fieldwork experience and bibliography.
4. Site for excavation or area for survey; include, as appropriate, province (il), sub-district (ilce), and village. For surveys, please append a clear copy of a map showing the area(s) proposed for survey.
5. Inclusive dates of work.
6. Narrative statement on proposed work, up to two single-spaced pages in length.
7. Planned staffing (e.g., excavators, surveyors, architects, conservators, etc.).
8. One or both of the following: a letter of guarantee of support from the applicant's institution, including the amount of funding; a statement of funds applied for (or to be applied for), including the granting organization(s) and amount(s) requested.

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Please send the above information to ARIT by **November 1, 2011**: c/o The University of Pennsylvania Museum, 3260 South Street, Philadelphia PA 19104-6324 (telephone: 215-898-3474; fax: 215-898-0657; e-mail: [leinwand@sas.upenn.edu](mailto:leinwand@sas.upenn.edu)).

On the basis of a committee review, ARIT will make its recommendations to the General Directorate for Monuments and Museums in Ankara. Project directors will be informed of ARIT's recommendations as soon as possible. It is not necessary to wait for a reply from ARIT to submit your application to the Turkish Embassy. Applications should be submitted to the Turkish Embassy in Washington no later than **December 1, 2011**, and possibly earlier. For forms and updated information, please consult the Turkish Embassy consular website: [[http://www.konsolosluk.gov.tr/usa/en/Research\\_Visas.aspx](http://www.konsolosluk.gov.tr/usa/en/Research_Visas.aspx)] and the ARIT website: [<http://ccat.sas.upenn.edu/ARIT/PermitReview.html>].

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