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From: Brian Rose, ARIT Vice President

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Subject: **Review of Applications for Archaeological Excavations and Surveys in Turkey, 2017**

At the 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 2017. 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. 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 attached "Information for Review..." Lengthy statements or copies of detailed grant proposals are not needed.

Applications for survey need to include a clear copy 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. For permit information from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, please see [<http://www.mfa.gov.tr/yabanci-uyruklu-kisilerin-ulkemizdeki-kulturel-ve-bilimsel-faaliyetlerine-iliskin-izinler.tr.mfa>]. Permit review 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, by **December 1, 2016**. 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: The University of Pennsylvania Museum, 3260 South Street, Philadelphia PA 19104 or submit by e-mail to [leinwand@sas.upenn.edu](mailto:leinwand@sas.upenn.edu). Telephone (215) 898-3474; fax (215) 898-0657

ARIT looks upon the review procedure as largely a positive process, to give Turkish officials assurance that projects coming from the U.S. are scholarly, and likely to secure 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 < [roseb@sas.upenn.edu](mailto:roseb@sas.upenn.edu) >.

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## Information for Review of Proposed Archaeological Excavations and Surveys for 2017

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 relevant 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, 2016**: ARIT, The University of Pennsylvania Museum, 3260 South Street, Philadelphia PA 19104 or submit by e-mail attachment to [leinwand@sas.upenn.edu](mailto:leinwand@sas.upenn.edu). Telephone (215) 898-3474; fax (215) 898-0657

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. Do not wait for a reply from ARIT to submit your application to the Turkish Embassy. Applications should be submitted to the Turkish Embassy in Washington by **December 1, 2016**, and possibly earlier. For permit information from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, please see [<http://www.mfa.gov.tr/yabanci-uyruklu-kisilerin-ulkemizdeki-kulturel-ve-bilimsel-faaliyetlerine-iliskinizinler.tr.mfa>]. For forms and updated information, please consult the ARIT website: [<http://ccat.sas.upenn.edu/ARIT/PermitReview.html>].

Please direct questions regarding the review process to:

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