



ALBANIAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

Supporting Higher Education among Talented Albanians in Macedonia

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PROGRAM OF THE ALBANIAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

A group of citizens, considering the fact that higher education represents a field of important national interest within the overall development of a country as well as of the surrounding region, in the meeting held in January 2004 decided to establish the Albanian Scholarship Foundation.

The Foundation's Program Tasks are the following:

1. The Foundation will work to raise awareness that the advancing of the educational level of the Albanians in Macedonia will benefit not only the Albanians but all the citizens of the country.

By increasing the educational level of its Albanian population the Republic of Macedonia will develop faster and will profoundly change the material and financial conditions of its citizens. Additionally, the Republic of Macedonia with well-educated citizens could get a link to the highest education and science courses applied today in the developed part of the world, in line with the Republic of Macedonia's obligation derived from the ratified Bologna Agreement.

2. The Foundation will allocate scholarships exclusively for higher education and solely to candidates from Republic of Macedonia. The scholarships will be granted to students in all fields of studies, but with a priority for the fields identified as deficit ones. Scholarships will be granted for levels of higher education including university studies, postgraduate university studies as well as PhD and post PhD studies.
3. The Foundation will raise funds from the population, institutions, and individuals from Republic of Macedonia and from abroad in forms and ways determined by its organs.
4. In order to function successfully the Foundation will establish its organs and bodies comprised of distinguished scientists and experts from different fields of interests who will contribute with their effort.
5. The Foundation, through the printed and electronic media, will at least once a year report on its activities.