MEMORANDUM FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

TO : HEADS OF SEAMEO CENTRES/NETWORK OF SEAMEO SECRETARIAT

SUBJECT : 2015 SEAMEO-JASPER RESEARCH AWARD

DATE : 07 September 2015

The Commission on Higher Education hereby informs interested parties that the SEAMEO-Jasper Research Award has already announced its call for entries for this year, themed "Strengthening Food Security in Southeast Asia: A Route to Prosperity and Social Harmony."

The SEAMEO-Jasper Research Award recognizes exemplary researches on social development in Southeast Asia and serves as a platform for knowledge-sharing among researchers from the region and Canada. This year, it aims to investigate the interplay of education, science and culture with food security.

Below are the thematic strands:

1. Food Availability
2. Food Accessibility
3. Quality Nutritious Food
4. Stability of Food Security

Candidates must be 1) a Filipino national, 2) holder of a master's or doctorate degree, 3) not more than 55 years of age at the time of application, 4) currently associated with or employed by any of the SEAMEO Centres/Network or SEAMEO Secretariat, and 5) physically fit to travel.

For studies conducted by a group of researchers, the submission should include a written note from the co-authors waiving any claim to the award, and a statement indicating the nominee's level of responsibility, in percentage, for the research work.

The following are the guidelines for the submission of research papers:

1. The research must be a complete study conducted in Southeast Asia, covering one country or more in the region, relating to the theme;
2. The research must have been completed within the past three years;
3. All submissions, including photo captions and other materials, must be in English;
4. All research entries conducted for graduate/post-graduate theses or doctoral dissertations will not be accepted;
5. Research entries from previous winners of the Award will not be accepted;
6. A research entry should comprise: a) 20-page summary, b) one-page abstract, and c) the complete research paper
7. A research entry should have the following essential sections: a) introduction, b) methodology, c) results and discussions, d) conclusions and recommendations, e) references, and f) appendices.

Non-winning research entries may be featured in SEAMEO's Southeast Asian Journal of Education, upon securing permission from the author.

Requirements under No.6 plus a completed application form must be received by the SEAMEO Secretariat in hard and soft copies on or before 15 October 2015.

Research submissions should be marked and submitted to:

**2015 SEAMEO-Jasper Research Award**
SEAMEO Secretariat
Mom Luang Pin Malakul Centenary Building
920 Sukhumvit Road
Bangkok 10110, Thailand
Email to: secretariat@seameo.org

Further information and the application form for this year's Award may be accessed at www.seameo.org.

Dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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