



## FORUM NEWS

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### WELCOME TO THESE NEW FORUM MEMBERS

Embassy of Spain  
Trade Commission

CMI Insurance/Medex  
Global Group

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Kansas State University

### UPCOMING EVENTS AND DEADLINES

November 17:  
State of the Field  
Survey closes

November 18:  
Applications for Fireside  
Dialogue due

December 1:  
Wollitzer Award  
nominations due

December 7:  
Standards of Good  
Practice Workshop,  
London

December 16:  
Webinar: "Best  
Practices at Work:  
Demystifying Education  
Abroad Finances"

## State of the Field Survey Closes Tomorrow

Forum institutional members are reminded to complete the Forum's Annual State of the Field Survey by midnight tomorrow, November 17. As of today nearly half of institutional members have responded, the highest participation rate ever. If you are the Forum institutional representative and have not yet responded to the Survey, please do so. The information that you provide will help to shape the future of education abroad!

## Conference Travel Grants Available to Forum Members

For the third consecutive year, the Forum is pleased to make travel grants available to assist individuals who may have difficulty paying to attend the Forum Annual Conference. Grant awards range from US\$200 to US\$500 and selection is based on need and demonstrated benefit from attending the conference. Applicants must be Forum members in good standing and preference will be given to session presenters. Grant recipients are expected to attend the entire conference, submit a post-conference report on how the conference benefited them, and include a detailed expense sheet. Applications must be received by December 1, 2009 and grant recipients will be notified by mid-December. For more information visit <http://www.forumea.org/travgrant10.htm>

## Conference Sponsorships Still Available

A limited number of conference sponsorships are still available, including exhibit spaces, conference banner and podium signs, coffee breaks, the Conference plenary and Internet cafe. The Forum conference attracts over 700 education abroad leaders to consider the most important issues impacting the field. As the largest conference focused solely on education abroad, it is an ideal venue to showcase education abroad programs and services to the field's leaders and decision makers. All sponsors, exhibitors, and advertisers are recognized in the conference brochure and program and on the Forum website, providing maximum exposure. For more information on the remaining sponsorship opportunities, visit <http://www.forumea.org/Sponsorship2010.htm>

## Standards of Good Practice Workshop Offered in London

The Forum will offer its signature workshop, "An Introduction to the Forum's Standards of Good Practice for Education Abroad," on Monday, December 7, 2009, 9:00am – Noon, at the Foundation for International Education (FIE), 114 Cromwell Road, London, U.K. The purpose of this workshop is to provide an overview of the Forum's Standards of Good Practice for Education Abroad. It is ideally suited both for those unfamiliar with the Standards, as well as for colleagues who want to delve more deeply into how to use them for program development, assessment and

improvement. The workshop will examine the philosophy and purpose of the Standards and their use as a tool for program assessment and improvement. Workshop activities will include an analysis of case studies that illustrate how the Standards are a useful tool for assessment and improvement of education abroad programs. The Standards are recognized as the definitive means for guiding education abroad programs. For more information on the workshop, including how to register:

<http://www.forumea.org/Londonworkshop09.htm>

## Reminder: Fireside Dialogue Application Deadline November 18

Spaces are still available in the Forum Fireside Dialogues, which offer excellent opportunities to focus on education abroad topics and issues in a relaxed, collegial atmosphere, facilitated by leaders in the field. Two Dialogues will be offered immediately following the Annual Conference, both hosted on the campus of Davidson College. The number of participants is kept small to facilitate interaction and discussion. The two Fireside Dialogues offered this year are:

- **“Institutional Leadership for Education Abroad,”** intended for Provosts and Deans seeking to develop and advance education abroad in broad and deep ways across their institutions. Facilitators: Mary Dwyer, President, IES Abroad and Chair of the Forum Board of Directors; Neil Weissman, Provost and Dean of the College, Dickinson College; Daniel Wubah, Vice President and Dean of Undergraduate Education, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.
  - **“Mid-Career Professionals: Topics in Leadership,”** is ideal for mid-career colleagues who seek a rare opportunity to explore the nature of leadership with senior leaders in the field and with each other. It focuses on the development of key skills essential to leadership both within organizations and within the field of education abroad as a whole. Facilitators: Katharine Krebs, Vice Provost for International Affairs, Binghamton University; Shaik Ismail, Director of International Programs, Linfield College; David Larsen, Special Assistant to the President, Arcadia University.
- Registration for the Dialogues and more details can be found at:

<http://www.forumea.org/FD10.htm>

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