



DHTA Fact Sheet Feb 16 –28, 2007

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Tourism Scholarships Tenable in the Republic of Austria

Ministry of Education, Human Resource Development Sports & Youth Affairs has issued a memorandum stating that Applications are invited from persons interested in pursuing studies in the field of Tourism in the Republic of Austria

Studies are offered in the following areas:

- **Hospitality Management**
- **Tourism marketing and Travel Agency Management**
- **Teachers Training**

Application forms and further information can be obtained at the Min of Education, Human Resource Development, Sports and Youth Affairs.

- **The following Documents should accompany each application:**
- **Curriculum Vitae**
- **Transcript from relevant institution**
- **Certified copies of Certificates & Diplomas**

- **Birth Certificate**
- **Copy of passport**
- **Letter of motivation**
- **Essay on how Tourism can contribute to poverty reduction**

Deadline for Receipt of Application is March 16, 2007

DHTA Upcoming Activities

- **April 2, 2007** Geo-tourism presentation with Johnathan Tourtelot of National Geographic
 - **Month of May 2007** – 2nd Annual DHTA Tourism Awareness month
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From the Telegraph, UK

The greenest island

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The Caribbean island of Dominica is leading the way in setting environmental standards for tourism. But, as Liz Gill discovers, certificates for good practice are far from the only thing this delightful place has to offer.

It's not called the Valley of Desolation for nothing. On the way down we have been pretty insouciant, laughing at the descriptions of this 12-mile walk as "strenuous" and positively gambolling over rocks and streams. On the climb back up, though, we are if not exactly broken then certainly bowed. Every inch of ascent seems a yard, each ridge a hope-dashing false summit. There is a great deal of stopping "to admire the view".

The difference is that in between we have clocked up several gruelling miles and climbed to Boiling Lake, bathing deliciously, but energy-sappingly, in its sulphur springs. We are also now sporting what feels like half a ton of volcanic mud, mud which we are told will make us look 10 years younger when we wash it off at the end of the hike. That's if we're not dead, of course. [More](#)



NOTICE OF CALL FOR PROPOSALS

**ORGANISATION OF EASTERN CARIBBEAN STATES
EXPORT DEVELOPMENT UNIT**

Title: 9th EDF CTPSDP Competitiveness Grant Fund

Reference: 9th EDF/CGF/#02-06

The Office of the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States Export Development Unit (OECS-EDU) is seeking proposals for the 9th EDF Caribbean Regional Trade and Private Sector Development Programme/Competitiveness Grant Fund in the countries of the OECS (Antigua and Barbuda, Commonwealth of Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts and Nevis, St.Lucia, and St.Vincent and Grenadines) with financial assistance from the 9th European Development Fund of the European Communities.

The full Guidelines for applicants are available for consultation at:

OECS/Export Development Unit
4th Floor Financial Centre
Kennedy Avenue
Roseau
Commonwealth of Dominica

and on the following internet site: <http://www.oecs.org/edu>.

The deadline for submission of proposals is March 17th 2007, at 16:30hrs.

Guidelines, Grant Application form, Annex B Budget, Annex C Logical Framework, Annex E Financial Identification Form, Legal Entity Form Private Company

NB: Please visit <http://www.dhta.org/resources.cfm> for links to the various above documents

[CTO Sustainable Tourism Conference - May 21-24](#)
[Click here to download your Registration Form & Schematic](#)

**CANADIAN CRICKET EXECUTIVE PREDICTS
WEST INDIES VICTORY**

more on this story on [DHTA's website](#)

Marketing & Tourism Trends

February 15, 2007

Cruise Price Is Right...Especially In Caribbean

Travelers are responding to the buyer's market in cruising with some prices as low as \$40 a day, according to Cruise Line International Association (CLIA). According to [TravelMole](#) CLIA, which represents 21 lines or 97% of North American-based cruise lines, says another half million cruisers will come on board this year, swelling the more than 10 million that cruised last year.

Where can cruisers get the most for their money? The Caribbean, partly because of price but also because many cruisers can drive to their embarkation port.

Some other trends:

- More destinations than ever before. Ports are being added in the Caribbean and elsewhere.
 - Luxury features such as balcony suites and spas have become common. Some ships even offer personal trainers.
 - Less restrictions on dining and dress. Eating times have been extended with new options of where to dine.
 - More ships are offering connectivity through e-mails and cell phone offerings.
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The Caribbean Hotel and Restaurant Buyers Guide

Submit photos to be featured in our upcoming edition of the Caribbean Hotel & Restaurant Buyers Guide.

The Guide is a highly colourful magazine distributed to hotels and restaurants throughout the region. We will pay special thanks to you in our Publishers Credits in the Magazine for any shots used.

Looking for photography of :-
Resorts,
Restaurants,
People – Particularly local hotel/restaurant workers.
Carnival shots /regional events

Please feel free to forward this message on to any resorts/restaurants/companies you think may be interested in submitting photography.

If you would like to submit shots, please ensure they are sent in high res format to us. If we do not use in the upcoming edition, they may be used in future editions.

Many thanks!

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CCAA's Quarterly Newsletter

CCAA's most recent [Quarterly Newsletter](#), which discusses the organization's current programming and events. The newsletter is also available on our website at www.c-cao.org.

NOTICES

- Manuals for **Caricom Special Visas** are available at the DHTA office
- Puerto Rico – May 17-21, 2007 – will be the 10th edition of the Media Exchange which gathers representatives of the tourism industry, government officials, media, youth delegates and development specialists to examine ways of using tourism to improve the health, wealth, environment and culture of destinations.
www.caribbeanmediaexchange.com

Members are also reminded to keep visiting the DHTA's website for updated information