**STATEMENT
FOR APPLICATION**

**for bachelor’s, master’s, one-tier master’s, doctoral study programmes, postgraduate specialist training courses and other non-degree programmes**

By signing this document, I understand, agree to, and confirm the followings.

**I hereby confirm that I have Hungarian roots and Hungarian identity.**

I hereby confirm that I am a **citizen of a country that is engaged in the Hungarian Diaspora Scholarship Programme** (hereinafter: Scholarship Programme), therefore I have a citizenship that – based on the Call for Applications – entitles me to participate in the Scholarship Programme.

I hereby confirm that I have an **address in a foreign country** (=outside of Hungary).

I hereby confirm that I have **lived minimum 10 years outside Hungary** before the submission of this application.

I hereby confirm that I have completed the last **4 years of my education** preceding higher education – namely secondary education, or, if this lasts less than 4 years, the last year(s) of primary education as well, the two making 4 years altogether – **in a foreign country (not Hungary)**.

I agree and understand that, if I am awarded for a full-time study programme leading to a degree, then I am obliged to complete **2 year-long community/voluntary work** after obtaining my degree. The community work must contribute to a local Hungarian diaspora community.

I understand that the scholarship can be awarded to only those who are 18 years of age or older, or who attain the age of 18 before the start of the academic year, in accordance with the date of birth requirement set in the Call for Applications

I agree and understand that Tempus Public Foundation that awards the Hungarian Diaspora Scholarships, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, the Hungarian higher education institutions, the Hungarian Diplomatic Representations and the diaspora organisations may collect and use **my personal data** submitted as part of the application and enrolment process.

I agree and understand that my data is collected, processed, and used for purposes of checking the eligibility for participation in the Scholarship Programme; conducting medical screenings, follow up, reporting and financial monitoring; the preparation of statistics, informational materials, surveys and research. My personal data can be stored and handled for 10 years.

I agree and understand that my Data can be handled by the relevant employees of the Tempus Public Foundation and the higher education institutions, participants of the reporting and monitoring processes; authorities responsible for supervision and inspection; health care providers responsible for medical screenings, and anonymous experts and researchers analysing the implementation and the impact of the Scholarship Programme. All safety measures shall be done in order to ensure data protection with special regard against unauthorized access, modification, forwarding, publication, deletion or destroy, as well as incidental destruction and damage.

I agree and understand that once I am a Scholarship Holder, I will be required to **sign a scholarship contract** with the Host Institution. I also understand that the Hungarian Diaspora Scholarship is a contribution to the living costs of the Scholarship Holder only, therefore – within the framework of the Scholarship Programme – visa-related assistance, additional allowance and administrative services are not provided for any accompanying people or family members. The legal entity of the scholarship contract is exclusively the Scholarship Holder and the Host Institution.

I agree and understand that once I am a Scholarship Holder, I will be expected to **follow the regulations of the Host Institution** and continue my studies in good faith, to the best of my abilities, in order to meet the academic requirements of the study programme and thus finish the programme successfully.

I understand that the monthly stipend, the accommodation contribution and the one-occasion travel allowance are not automatically awarded to each Scholarship Holders and that these types of allowances can only be awarded if they were specifically requested. I understand that even if I am awarded these types of allowances, I need to meet certain conditions to keep these benefits.

If I am selected to be Scholarship Holder, I agree to **actively participate in events and programmes** organised in the framework of the Scholarship Programme in connection with the Hungarian language and culture, and to participate in the alumni system of the Scholarship Programme that supports the maintenance of relationships with the Scholarship Holders and facilitates the flow of information – such as the alumni website, alumni events and surveys about the satisfaction of students, career monitoring and the evaluation of research activities.

I agree and understand that unless the regulations of the Host Institution contain stricter obligations, I am required to earn **at least an** **average of 18 credits** in each of the last two (continuous) semesters in which my student status was not suspended (that is, a **total of 36 credits**). Only students studying in doctoral-level programmes, non-degree programmes and in partial study mode are exempt from this requirement.

I agree and understand that, during the whole length of my studies supported with the scholarship, I am required to attend the **Hungarian language and culture course** organised by the Host Institution (except Scholarship Holders studying in Hungarian language). I understand that my scholarship holder status shall be terminated if I do not attend the course.

In case I do not take part in a study programme taught in Hungarian language, I agree and understand that I am required to pass a Hungarian as a foreign language exam at least at an intermediate (B2) level by the end of my studies, but no later than within 1 year after obtaining my degree (or certificate). This obligation does not apply for those who take part in 1-2 semester-long short study programmes, including partial/exchange studies. If the requirement concerning the language exam is not met, the Scholarship Holder is obliged to pay back the tuition fee of studies.

I agree and understand that once I am a scholarship holder, **I am obliged to live and study in Hungary**, therefore I am not allowed to live habitually in any other country during the study period – otherwise my scholarship holder status will be terminated. I agree and understand that I shall register in person at the international office of my Host Institution at the beginning of each semester. I understand that Scholarship Holders are allowed to stay abroad for a maximum of 30 days per training period for participating in conferences, internships, research, or other study-related purposes (exemptions may apply in case of doctoral-level students).

I understand that my scholarship holder status shall be terminated if I receive a scholarship that supports studies outside Hungary for more than 30 days. Study-related professional programmes (conferences, study trips etc.) with a maximum duration of 30 days can be supported within the framework of **other scholarship programmes** (e.g., Erasmus +, CEEPUS). The European Solidarity Corps is an exception as it is not compatible with studies for Scholarship Holders.

I agree and understand that applicants are not eligible to receive the Hungarian Diaspora Scholarship in case they have another **concurrent scholarship from the Hungarian central budget** for studies in Hungary. In case that I am awarded more than one scholarship, I shall choose one of the scholarships and renounce from the other ones.

I agree and understand that **in accordance with the Operational Regulations of the Scholarship Programme, the scholarship status is terminated if:**

* the student status of the Scholarship Holder is terminated by the Host Institution,
* the Scholarship Holder withdraws from the scholarship in a written form (sent to both Tempus Public Foundation and the Host Institution),
* the Scholarship Holder had obtained their degree at the study programme supported by the scholarship (or obtained a certificate in case of non-degree and partial (exchange) study programmes),
* the Scholarship Holder does not attend the compulsory Hungarian language and culture course (unless the scholarship is awarded for a study programme conducted in the Hungarian language),
* the Scholarship Holder does not live in Hungary habitually and the Host Institution terminates their scholarship status for this reason,
* the Scholarship Holder loses (or gives up) the citizenship that entitles him/her to participate in the Scholarship Programme, or, if the Scholarship Holder is granted the status of stateless person, refugee, protected individual, asylum-seeker, admitted individual, migrant, settled person, or do not fall within the scope of Section 39 (1) a) of the Higher Education Act,
* as a result of institutional disciplinary or criminal proceedings against the Scholarship Holder, the Scholarship Holder is expelled, and for this reason the Tempus Public Foundation asks the Host Institution to terminate the scholarship status,
* the Scholarship Holder does not fulfil their obligation to participate in medical screenings, and their additional obligations set out in the healthcare protocol or provides false information in relation to the health screening protocol during the application period or during their scholarship period, or
* in any other cases described in the Operational Regulations of the Scholarship Programme in effect.

I agree and understand that if I am awarded the Hungarian Diaspora Scholarship, accept the scholarship offer, do not arrive to Hungary and start my scholarship studies, and fail to notify Tempus Public Foundation of this fact until 30 September, then I will not be able to reapply for the Hungarian Diaspora Scholarship Programme within the following three application rounds.

I agree and understand that applicants who are awarded the scholarship cannot get a scholarship holder status if they

* withdraw the scholarship in a written form (sent to both Tempus Public Foundation and the Host Institution) or in the application system, or
* do not upload their missing application documents until the deadline given in the Call for Applications, or the uploaded documents are not accepted by the Host Institution, or
* do not arrive and enrol until the registration date specified by the Host Institution (except cases described in the Operational Regulations), or
* do not hold a secondary school graduation certificate until the date specified in the Call for Applications, or
* fail to accept their scholarship offer by the given deadline, or
* withdraw their data protection (GDPR) consents, including the Privacy Statement, or
* provided false information during the application process.

I agree and understand that all Diaspora Scholarship Holders are **bound by the Operational Regulations** of the Hungarian Diaspora Scholarship Programme. I understand that the regulations can be subject to change, and the Scholarship Holders are bound by the prevailing regulations at any given time.

I confirm that I have **read and understood the current Call for Applications** of the Hungarian Diaspora Scholarship Programme.

I confirm that I have **read, understood, and agree to the content of this statement** and the above procedures related to my participation in the Hungarian Diaspora Scholarship Programme.

I confirm that all information I provided as part of the application and enrolment process is, to the best of my knowledge, accurate and true. I also declare that all information provided by me on the online application surface of Tempus Public Foundation – including the content of all uploaded documents – are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief**. I am fully aware that false statements will disqualify me from the Scholarship Programme.**

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| **Date:** |  |
| **Name (typed or written in capital letters):** |  |
| **Signature:** |  |