

ROTARY GRANTS MASTERS OF SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIPS

The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International signed an agreement with UNESCO-IHE to forge a strategic partnership in the area of water and sanitation. The Rotary Foundation will provide grants to Rotary clubs and districts to select and sponsor eight students each year for scholarships to three of the four MSc programmes. Eligible programmes include Municipal Water and Infrastructure; Water Management; and Water Science and Engineering. The first group of scholars will enter UNESCO-IHE in October 2012. The application materials are expected to be available in February 2012.

"This strategic partnership with UNESCO-IHE enables Rotary to work with a globally-recognized leader in the training of water professionals at a time when such experts are desperately needed in many parts of the world," said Rotary Foundation Chair William B. Boyd. "We are delighted to have this new cooperation with Rotary. The



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task ahead is no less than training the next generation of water leaders to be equipped to deal with the enormous water challenges ahead in the coming decades," said Prof. Andras Szollosi-Nagy, UNESCO-IHE's Rector.

The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International, under its new Future Vision plan, seeks to forge strategic partnerships with established organizations with expertise in Rotary's six areas of focus, one of which is water and sanitation. The other focus areas are peace and conflict prevention/resolution; disease prevention and treatment; maternal and child health; basic education and literacy; and economic and community development. UNESCO-IHE scholarship grants are available only to clubs in the 100 Rotary districts piloting Future Vision until the plan is fully implemented July 1, 2013.