



Support scheme for threatened scholars in Finland – EDUFI partnership with the IIE – Scholar Rescue Fund

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Basic structure



IIE-SRF

- Selection
- Grant (50%)
- Reporting
- Support and guidance



EDUFI

- National coordination and support
- Grant (50%)



Hosting HEI

- Administrative and academic support
- Networks

Developing the partnership

- Global responsibility and reaction to crisis in Syria
- Strong links with Finnish higher education community

Identifying support measures

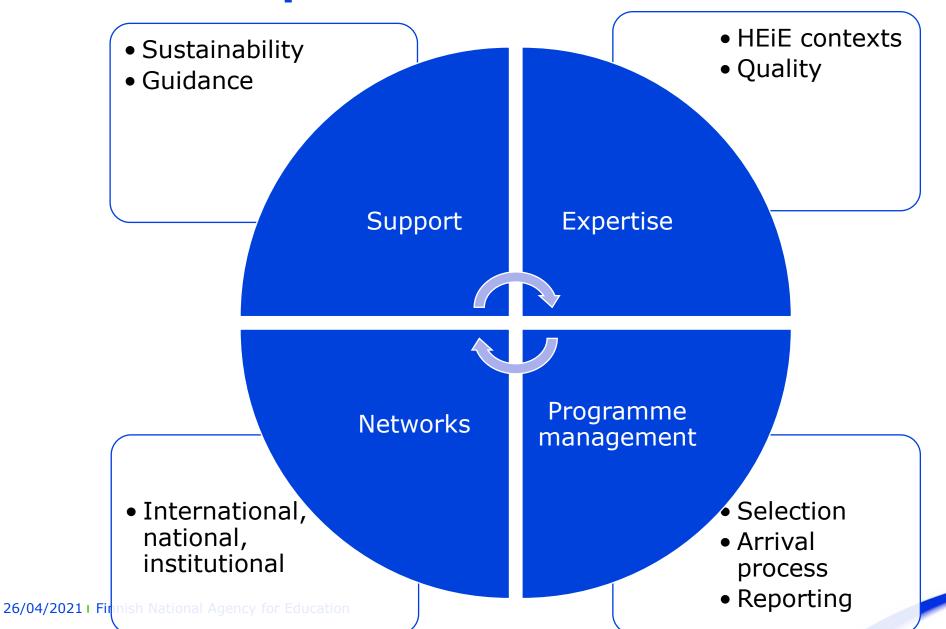
IIE-EDUFI partnership

- Formalized in 2016
- 5 scholars from Syria and Yemen
- 3 host universities

- MoU 2018
- Expanding to Artist Protection Fund and Student Emergency Initiatives

Higher education in Emergencies-partnership

Benefits of cooperation structure



Scholar Rescue Fund THE BEACON

IIE and Finland's EDUFI Expand Partnership to Support Academics, Artists, and University Students from Conflict Regions



EDUFI Director Samu Seitsalo and IIE Executive Vice President Maxmillian Angerholzer III sign an agreement to extend the organizations' ongoing partnership in Finland to help displaced students, scholars, and artists.

The country of Finland has played an outsized role in protecting the careers and lives of threatened academics amidst the ongoing displacement crisis. In January 2016, IIE and the Finnish National Agency for Education (EDUFI) formalized a partnership to jointly support displaced scholars from Iraq, Syria, and later Yemen, at Finnish higher education institutions. During the ensuing two and a half years, four IIE-SRF fellows have been able to continue their academic work in Finland.

4 questions about IIE Scholar Rescue Fund for James King

Fathiah Zakham tutki Jemenissä tuberkuloosia, kunnes pommit tuhosivat yliopiston -Helsingissä hän sai uuden mahdollisuuden

Suomi tarjoaa turvaa useille Lähi-idästä kotoisin oleville opiskelijoille ja tutkijoille Opetushallituksen ja yhdysvaltalaisen säätiön yhteishankkeessa.

Jemen 19.11.2018



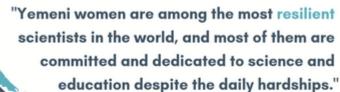


tuberkuloosia. Kuva: Tom Kankkonen / Yle

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- IIE-SRF FELLOW FATHIAH ZAKHAM OF YEMEN





Dr. Murshid and his family are embracing life and new opportunities in Finland.



Thank you!

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