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COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC DIPLOMACY

**LAUNCHING OF THE COMPETITION OF
NATO MANFRED WÖRNER ESSAY AWARDS**

Note by the Chairman

1. Following your approval on 7 October 2005 of the proposal for the establishment of two NATO Manfred Wörner Essay Awards (AC/52-WP(2005)0003-REV1), I am attaching the advertisement which will be used for promoting the two Awards in the Economist and Le Monde and on websites, notably the websites of national Atlantic Treaty Associations as well as through NATO and Partner universities' Political Science and Security Studies departments. The advertisement in the two international papers will be published at the end of May 2006. Samples of the advertisement will be available at the next CPD meeting.
2. The application forms can be downloaded from the NATO website (www.nato.int/organisation/Fellowships).
3. You are kindly requested to forward the advertisement to your respective Foreign Ministries and/or other relevant national authorities. It would be advisable to encourage them to announce the launching of the competition on their websites.

(Signed) Jean FOURNET

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ADVERTISEMENT TEXT

NATO MANFRED WÖRNER ESSAY AWARDS

To honour the memory of Manfred Wörner, the late NATO Secretary General, and in particular the role he played in transforming the Alliance at the end of the Cold War, the NATO Allies agreed in October 2005 to create an annual essay-writing competition with two awards: the *Junior NATO Manfred Wörner Essay Award* and the *Senior NATO Manfred Wörner Essay Award*.

1. The *Junior NATO Manfred Wörner Essay Award* is open to academics, researchers and writers from both NATO and Partner countries, aged between 20 and 35. A prize of €5,000 will be awarded to the individual who submits the best essay on a topic of relevance to the Alliance. The essay should not exceed 5,000 words and should be suitable for widespread dissemination, including in NATO publications.
2. The *Senior NATO Manfred Wörner Essay Award* is open to academics, researchers and writers from NATO and Partner countries, aged 35 years and above, who are already established in the field of international security policy. A prize of €10,000 will be awarded to the individual who submits the best essay on a topic of relevance to the Alliance. The essay should not exceed 5,000 words and should be suitable for widespread dissemination, including in NATO publications.
3. The announcement of the winners will be made by the NATO Secretary General in the margins of the NATO Ministerial in December 2006.

Qualifications of Applicants

1. Applicants for the *Junior NATO Manfred Wörner Essay Award* and the *Senior NATO Manfred Wörner Essay Award* must be citizens of the EAPC countries¹ who

¹ *NATO-EAPC members*: Albania, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Croatia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Moldova, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia* Turkey, Turkmenistan, United Kingdom, United States, Ukraine, Uzbekistan.

* Turkey recognises the Republic of Macedonia with its constitutional name.

are not employed by NATO nor working at the NATO Headquarters or at a NATO Agency at the time of submitting their essays.

2. Applicants who have received the *Junior NATO Manfred Wörner Essay Award* or the *Senior NATO Manfred Wörner Essay Award* or a NATO fellowship within the past five years may not apply and will not be considered.

Method of Application

1. Candidates are requested to use a special application form that can be downloaded from the NATO website under the following address:
www.nato.int/organisation/fellowships.
2. Essay applications are assessed on the basis of their originality and added value to the international discussion concerning transatlantic security issues.
3. Candidates are invited to submit their essays in English or French.
4. The essay should be sent, together with the completed application form, by registered mail to the NATO Public Diplomacy Division, for the attention of Mrs. Despina Afentouli, NATO, Boulevard Leopold III, B-1110 Brussels (office: Nb 106) before **31 August 2006**.
5. Essays exceeding the limit of 5,000 words or those already published will not be accepted.