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Dear PCI Members,

The PCI Governing Council has decided to call for names of the members who are desirous of being appointed as Apprentice National Commissioners for the forthcoming International Exhibitions.

The applicant must fulfill the following qualifications to be eligible for consideration for appointment as an Apprentice National Commissioner.

1. Qualifications

- 1.1 The Applicant must be a Life Member of the PCI.
- 1.2 He/She should be physically fit and able to carry the exhibits as hand baggage.
- 1.3 He/She must have attended at least one overseas FIP / FIAP Exhibition as an exhibitor within last 10 years of the due date of submitting the application (on or after 01.02.2012).
- 1.4 The member should have been an exhibitor in the Competitive Senior Class and must have secured at least a Vermeil Medal (80 marks) in any discipline, other than Youth, Literature, One Frame, Modern, Open, Picture Post Card and Experimental Classes at a FIP/FIAP physical International Exhibition within 10 years of the due date of submission of the application (on or after 01.02.2012).
- 1.5 He/She must be fully conversant with the FIP Statutes, GREX, GREVs, SREVs and Guidelines.
- 1.6 He/She must be reasonably fluent in English.
- 1.7 The Applicant must command the respect and confidence of the exhibitors in handling their exhibits.
2. The Applicant will be required to fulfill the following requirements, as an Apprentice National Commissioner and/or in case he/She is subsequently approved and appointed as a National Commissioner.
 - 2.1 He/She must have easy and regular access to e-mail, mobile, telephone and post so that he is able to communicate, attend and respond in time. He/She should be able and willing to communicate promptly with the National Commissioner, Exhibition Management and participants, as required.
 - 2.2 He/She should be able to work under the guidance and supervision of the National Commissioner and must actively assist him/her in completing all necessary formalities and securing permissions, and if required carry the exhibits, awards, certificates, catalogues, palmares, etc.
 - 2.3 He/She must attend the exhibition for the entire duration, but should not take part or involve himself or through any family members / associates in any commercial or trade activities in any manner in that exhibition during the entire period commencing one day before opening of the Exhibition to one day after closure of the Exhibition. He/She should not involve self in any activity, whatsoever, not permitted under the Indian or Host Country's laws, even in his/her personal capacity, as he/she is representing the PCI and Country.

- 2.4 He/She must act in a very transparent manner and must not refuse any Entry Forms for the exhibits for the reasons that they include items more than 75/100 years old, which require Temporary Export Permit from the Archaeological Survey of India, New Delhi. He/She must be prepared to travel to New Delhi or any other place and secure the ASI clearance or any other permission by self, as may be required.
- 2.5 He/She should be residing in a place easily accessible to overseas flights and have facilities for temporary storage of the exhibits in a secure place.
- 2.6 He/She is expected to be even-tempered and ready to resolve the problems and issues in an amicable manner..

It may be mentioned that the Apprentice National Commissioners are not entitled to any free accommodation or any allowance and will have to make all arrangements for their travel, boarding and lodging by themselves and at their own costs.

The PCI Life Members are requested to send their applications for appointment as an Apprentice National Commissioner for the forthcoming International Exhibitions in the enclosed Application Form, after carefully going through the above stipulated qualifications and requirements, with specific details of their eligibility along with the supporting documents (copies of the relevant Certificates, etc.) to the Secretary-General, PCI by **31st January, 2022**. The duly completed and signed hard copy of the Application Form must be submitted. The applications by E-mail will not be accepted.

The GC will appoint a Screening Committee, which will scrutinize the applications and submit its recommendations to the GC. The final decision will be taken by the GC.

Thanking you,

Yours truly,

Rajesh Kumar Bagri
Secretary-General,
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Encl. : Application Form for Apprentice National Commissioner

Note : Apprentice Commissioner Call letter and the Application Form may also be downloaded from PCI Website - www.philateliccongressofindia.com