



**Call for Applications for Workshop:
Young Leaders in Democratic Governance in the MENA Region.
Venice, 25-31 May 2008**

The International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (International IDEA) and the European Inter-University Centre for Human Rights and Democratisation (EIUC) will jointly organise a workshop on democratic governance for young leaders of the Middle East and North Africa Region.

Venue: EIUC, Monastery San Nicolò, Venice – Lido, Italy
Dates: 25 – 31 May 2008.

The workshop will be realised with funding from the Italian Government and the European Commission and with the organizational assistance of the Al Kawakibi Democracy Transition Centre.

Participants will be advanced university students or young graduates, under 30 years of age, preferably with a degree in law or political science.

The language of the seminar will be English.

The topics to be discussed during the workshop will include constitution building, designing electoral systems, managing elections, political parties, women in politics, post-conflict democratic processes, democracy and development.

Participants will receive an economy pre-paid air ticket from the country of residence to Venice and will be accommodated in the dormitory of the Monastery of San Nicolò on a full-board basis. Selected participants will be responsible for obtaining a visa from an Italian consulate in their home country. Pre-approved candidates will receive a letter of support / invitation to add to their visa application.

An application form for the workshop can be downloaded from the EIUC website www.eiuc.org.

Applications must be submitted to the EIUC secretariat before 18 April 2008 at workshop@eiuc.org, and must be sent in copy to the Al Kawakibi Democracy Transition Centre at courses.kawakibi@gmail.com.

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