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SPECIAL RESEARCH FUND 2019. CALL FOR DOCTORAL GRANTS

The Science and Technology Center in Ukraine (STCU) conducted a competition for PhD students and young professionals in the framework of the Targeted Initiative entitled "Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear (CBRN) Export Control on Dual-Use Materials and Intangible Technologies in Georgia, Ukraine, Azerbaijan, and Moldova (GUAM)" - sponsored by the EU Commission, and entitled "SPECIAL RESEARCH FUND 2019.CALL FOR DOCTORAL GRANTS", the purpose of which was to encourage young scientists to increase their body of knowledge on strategic trade control. The research topic will be related to the developments and trends of CBRN non-proliferation; strategic trade control; or national and international trade control systems.

The Doctoral Research Grant was open to postgraduate students (regardless of citizenship) in social sciences holding a Master's degree from a University located in one of the GUAM countries Applicants were required to be registered in a Ph.D. program in a university located in the European Union (EU), as well as to identify two supervisors to oversee their studies. One supervisor was required to have an academic position in the EU university where he/she would be enrolled and the other would hold an academic position in a university in one of the GUAM countries.

The STCU received a number of excellent applications and via a competitive selection process, a highly qualified doctoral student was selected. The selected candidate will be invited to Brussels to receive his/her grant award at a ceremony to be conducted during the EU CBRN Risk Mitigation CoE Iniative's International Meeting of the National Focal Points scheduled to take place from the 12 to the 14 of June, 2019.

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