

application  
for the  
i<sup>2</sup> fellowship



i<sup>2</sup>nstitute  
for imagination  
and ingenuity

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## information about the i<sup>2</sup> fellowship program

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The i2 Institute launched the i2 Fellowship Program in November 2012, dedicated to developing and supporting young scientists/future entrepreneurs in the Middle East.

The i<sup>2</sup> fellowship will be dedicated to those graduate and post-graduate students who have a visionary and bold patent idea related to one of the following fields of:

**Energy**  
**Health**  
**Water**  
**Environment**

For 8 months, i2 Fellows will be part of a group that will work to develop their business ideas in a well-connected ecosystem, able to create the best conditions to foster innovation, economic and social change.



## The i2 Fellowship development process

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- 1 Development of their business idea**  
...because learning a new path from science to market is crucial to move from a scientific laboratory to a boardroom

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  - 2 Development of their approach to entrepreneurship**  
...because a new breed of entrepreneurs will create a new kind of value for society

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  - 3 Development of their leadership skills**  
...because we believe a new kind of leadership will generate a new kind of organization and more innovation.
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During an accelerated learning process, the twelve Fellows will be exposed to the most advanced theories and practices in the domains of entrepreneurship, innovation and leadership and will experience both an innovative ‘social science program’ and a brand new ‘communication program’, both of which were developed in partnership with world class organizations.

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The i2 Fellowship Program is planned to illuminate the ecosystem that supports and breeds entrepreneurship in the whole region and to integrally connect Mentors to our Fellows and the program.

### **Each Fellow will be assigned a Regional Mentor and a Global Mentor, selected between a number of deeply experienced and highly dedicated leaders.**

The i2 Fellowship Program will include six weeks of work and study in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Here the Fellows will explore, learn and interact with organizations and people who are at the cutting edge of these domains.

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#### **Harvard Innovation Lab**

The Fellowship Program will be hosted inside the Harvard Innovation Lab (i-lab), an institution dedicated to new enterprises created by Harvard University. This will be the ideal ecosystem for future entrepreneurs: working and learning together with other entrepreneurs, being supported by several Harvard Business School faculty members and alumni, and by experts and practitioners in the domains relevant to the Fellows (the i2 faculty members include several Nobel Prize winners and world-class authors).

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#### **MIT Media Lab**

Part of the i2 Fellowship Program will also take place at the MIT Media Lab: each fellow will be able to visit and explore some of the Media Lab experiments and collaborate with faculty members and be exposed to opportunity for valuable research experience.

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Although Fellows will be working individually, they will be supported by their mentors and by their newly created networks — just as things happen in real life, for successful entrepreneurs and innovators. They will work together with other entrepreneurs in the Middle East and in the United States.

### **They will experiment, co-design, prototype, test and create their own enterprise.**

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## Requirements

You may apply to the program if one or more of the following requirements is fulfilled:

- ✔ You are a young graduate
- ✔ You have developed your practice around the world of science and technology
- ✔ You have an idea that could potentially become a national or international patented idea in one of the i2 Institute fields of Energy, Health, Water or Environment

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## Applications and Rules of Engagement

If one of the above requirements are fulfilled, you may submit your application, after a review of the rules of engagement:

**One application is allowed per participant.**

**The application consists of three parts:**

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**1 Your one-page résumé**

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**2 Your one-page motivation letter, written around these themes:**

My personal dream/wish/ambition/idea when I think about the marriage of “science-technology and entrepreneurship”

My ambition about my personal contribution to society through my personal development, my imagination and ingenuity at work.

My personal path to the future—what sort of problem I wish to solve through the creation of an enterprise?

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**3 The detailed description of your patented idea**

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## Deadline

Your application for the i2 Fellowship must be sent to: [fellows@i2institute.org](mailto:fellows@i2institute.org)

Your application must be received by midnight on:  
April 30, 2014

The names of the next cohort of i2 Fellows will be announced:  
May 2014

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## Evaluation

The evaluation committee is headed by Dr. Hayat Sindi. Before sending your application for the i2 Fellowship Program, review once more these criteria:

- ✔ You are a graduate/post graduate science student (or you should be finishing your studies by the end of 2012)
- ✔ You are between 20 and 35 years old
- ✔ You are fluent in English
- ✔ Your studies/work are related to the field of science and technology

**Thank you for your ambition  
and your application.  
We hope to meet soon..**

**—the i<sup>2</sup>nstitute team**



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