

Dear colleague,

An Erasmus Mundus Master Course entirely devoted to Clay Minerals and their applications opened in September 2010. This “International Master in Advanced Clay Science” is an integrated Masters programme, supported by AIPEA, GFA and designed by 5 universities : the University of Poitiers in France (co-ordinator), the Technical University of Crete in Greece, the University of Aveiro in Portugal, the University of Ottawa in Canada, and the Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul (UFRGS) in Brazil.

Four specializations are offered : 1) Environment, soil and geological systems, 2) Geomaterials and civil engineering – Assessment and processing, 3) Advanced clay – nanomaterials, and 4) Healing minerals.

You will find the complete information concerning this master on the website <http://www.master-imacs.org>

The teaching language is English. Free language trainings are offered by the five higher education institutions. Many students’ services and facilities are offered (visa request, accommodation, insurance, bank account opening, social and cultural activities...).

Erasmus Mundus scholarships can be offered to European students enrolled in the program. **The grant is 23 000 € for the two years.** It covers all the expenses linked to the program. Deadline for students scholarships application is : **January 31st 2011.**

We have great need for your assistance so that this rather exceptional master program, with its international character and its Erasmus Mundus label, can welcome **Europeans students** we are looking for.

Please let your students have benefit of this program and spread this as much as you can.

Thank you very much in advance.

On behalf of the IMACS Team

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