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Dear Sir/Madam

Throughout the years of my professional work I've gained a lot of expertise in İsmailis, Nizari İsmailism studies, Shiite movements in Iran, Qaraqoyun and Aqqoyunlu Turkmens]. I constantly follow the work done by your institutes and I would like to work with you on joint projects. It's one of the key reasons I'm applying for your Postdoctoral Fellowship position at The Elahé Omidyar Mir-Djalali Institute of Iranian Studies at the University of Toronto. I have been working on İsmailis, Iranian history, Shiism, Sufism and Turkmens for about 20 years. I have conducted field research and given conferences at various times in Iran. I teach undergraduate and graduate courses on Iranian History, İsmailis, Turkmens, Shii

My study subjects are suitable for your institute and overlap with my academic studies. Your success is well known in the field

I know from your ad that you're seeking a post doctoral skilled in yours want. I think these accomplishments will put me in the picture: There are academic articles and books on İsmailism and Shiism, history of İran. Research language: Persian and English. I have been teaching university lectures for 20 years, I have graduated graduate and undergraduate students. I have participated in international conferences, congresses, symposiums and TV programs. I conducted field research in various regions of Iran. I worked as a guest researcher at Tehran University (2007-2008) and Shahid Behishti Universities(2022) in Iran for two years.

There are two reasons why I believe that having a Posdoctoral degree is important for me. Firstly, working for a thesis under the guidance of an expert whose work can serve as a model is the most effective method of transforming a student into a largely independent researcher making significant original contributions. Secondly, the emphasis on doing research in a specialized area is an important indicator in both academic and research areas to gain success. I have a strong desire and motivation to get deeper, develop expertise. I would be grateful if you could give me an opportunity to join a Postdoctoral Position in "İran, İsmailis, Shii etc". My deepest gratitude for considering my applicatio

I think I will contribute to your institute academically. Likewise, I know that I will learn a lot from you by working together.

Best Regards,

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