

ONLINE MATCHING SYSTEM



March, 2013 Newsletter

Dear Everyone,

Thank you so much for your constant support and encouragement of the work of OMS. For those of you who were listed on OMS prior to the blessing last month, please be kind enough to keep me updated on your status.

If your experience with OMS has been helpful to you please witness to it as we still have many members to help in the matching and blessing processes.

WHAT'S NEW

Email system between candidates – has been implemented.

- i) The updated email system provides easy give and take between candidates across the board.
- ii) This email system is not for candidates to chit chat with each other on a regular basis but simply to get clarification on some specific items relating to someone else's profile.
- iii) The email between candidates is monitored (but not censored) by both related MAs and the administrative staff of OMS.

Automated email system – has been implemented.

Automated emails works as follows:

An email is sent:

To any applicant who has registered but did not return or access their file within 30 days

To any applicant who has registered but did not return or access their file within 60 days

To any applicant who has registered but did not return or access their file within 90 days

Registration will be cancelled if there is no response after the 90 day period.

To any applicant who has not accessed OMS within the last 30 days.

To any applicant who has not accessed OMS within the last 60 days.

To any applicant who has not accessed OMS within the last 90 days.

An OMS application will be put on hold if there is no response after the 90 day period.

To any candidate who has not accessed OMS within the last 90 days.

This is to make sure that a candidate keeps his or her file up to date on a regular basis.

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IN PROGRESS

The system allowing candidates to request the full profile of another candidate is being reviewed and updated. Requesting the full profile of another individual triggers several actions that take place behind the scenes. These processes might not be clear enough to a candidate thus we are updating our programming, making these steps a lot more intuitive and helpful.

The website itself will be moved to a new host within a few days. Some of you may observe interruption of service but it should not last more than 24 hours. If you have any difficulties accessing the site, just let me know.

FROM APPLICANT STATUS TO CANDIDATE STATUS

“Condition” is a word to which some of us have a very hard time to relate. I personally do not like it. Regardless of my feeling towards that word, I have a lot of respect for it, understand the tremendous power that it carries and, thus, I oblige myself to its value.

Many conditions have been offered throughout human history, for various noble purposes. Those who made conditional offerings did so with a goal in mind. As the blessing is the most important sacrament of our movement, offering conditions for the purpose of one’s matching and blessing is not something selfish but rather something necessary.

From this perspective, may I suggest the following: to any of you who might be dragging your feet, set aside a certain time period each week (for example, 40 minutes) to solely concentrate on your matching and blessing application, making the process the object of your prayer and sacred time with God, you may find it easier to answer the questions. Not only will you come to know yourself better, by taking such great care in filling out your profile, a more accurate portrait of you will be revealed to those candidates who select to read your profile. Make it a condition until your advisor declares you a candidate. What do you think?

May God bless you,


Anne-Marie Mylar

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STATS

Stats as of February 28, 2013	
Countries	Totals
Australia	2
Belarus	1
Bolivia	2
Brazil	18
Canada	6
China	1
Congo-Brazzaville	5
Congo-Kinshasa	1
Costa-Rica	1
Denmark	1
Dominican-Republic	1
France	2
Germany	3
Guyana	4
Haiti	4
Hungary	1
Italy	1

Stats as of February 28, 2013	
Countries	Totals
Ivory-Coast	1
Japan	4
Kenya	1
Latvia	2
Moldova	1
Morocco	1
New-Zealand	1
Nigeria	2
Peru	13
Philippines	5
Russian-Federation	4
South-Africa	1
South-Korea	5
Thailand	1
United-Kingdom	2
United-States	83
Uruguay	1
Grand Total	182

Row Labels	Status
Registered	19
Applicant	81
Candidate	82
Grand Total	182

Country	Candidates
Brazil	10
Canada	2
Congo-Brazzaville	5
Congo-Kinshasa	1
Costa-Rica	1
Germany	1
Haiti	4
Japan	1
Moldova	1
Peru	5
Russian-Federation	4
South-Korea	4
Thailand	1
United-States	42
Grand Total	82