ATTESTATION OF THE VALIDITY OF DEGREES

Students, who come from countries which have not signed the **Apostille Convention**, or the **Apostille Treaty** shall ask for the attestation of their degree as described below:

The attestation of the validity of degrees obtained in Hungarian higher education institutions and other certificates issued by the institutions falls within the competence of the Consultation Office of the Educational Authority.

If you wish to attain the interim authentication stamp for your higher education qualification, you need to bring your qualification to the Consultation Office of the Education Authority during office hours (http://www.oktatas.hu/kapcsolat/kozponti_ugyfelszolgalat).

Address: Budapest XII. Maros u. 19-21 Their office hours are the following: Monday-Thursday: 8.00-16.30

Fridays: 8.00 - 14:00 Phone: (+36-1) 374-2100 E-mail <u>info@oh.gov.hu</u>

Please note that we are only able to authenticate documents that contain the original stamp and signatures of the issuing higher education institution, consequently, we can only stamp and sign the original documents or their copies certified by the issuing higher education institution.

It is not possible to conduct the authentication procedure by mail, thus we request that you or a person representing you (no formal authorization is necessary) bring the documents to the Consultation Office in person during office hours.

There procedure is free of charge in the Educational Authority and it is not necessary to make an appointment.

The issuing of the Hague Apostil, thus the international authentication of Hungarian documents falls within the competence of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

The Education Authority's competence is the interim authentication, following which the stamped documents should be submitted in person by you or by an authorized person to the Consular and Nationality Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade during office hours. (Address: Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade – "E" Building, 1027 Budapest, Nagy Imre tér 4.)

Their office hours are the following: Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays: 9.00 - 12.00. On Fridays it is only possible to pick up documents.

The fee of the apostil stamp is 5500 HUF per documents which should be paid when submitting the documents to the Consular and Nationality Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade.