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## ESSENTIALS

<b>I'm interested, what now?</b>	<p>We are happy to see that you are interested in joining us for this once-in-a-lifetime experience to shape sustainable Asian and European societies!</p> <p>To apply, submit your online application <a href="#">here</a>.</p>
<b>When is the deadline to apply?</b>	<p>We accept applications until <b>Tuesday, 3 July 2018, GMT 13.00</b>.</p> <p>Keep an eye on the confirmation email upon your successful submission; if you do not receive it, try checking if the notification might have landed into your junk/spam folder.</p>
<b>When will the results be out?</b>	<p>We will announce the application outcome by the end of July 2018. You will receive an email with your result. Also, don't forget to like/follow our <a href="#">ASEFEdu Facebook page</a> and <a href="#">Twitter account</a> for all the latest updates.</p>
<b>Who can apply?</b>	<p>Citizens of any of the <a href="#">51 Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) Partner countries</a> between the ages of 18-30</p> <p>Action-oriented and creative doers ranging from students and academics, to young professionals and entrepreneurs from all societal sectors</p> <p>Individuals with strong command of English (written and verbal)</p> <p>Applicants who are ready and available to actively participate in a 4-week online preparatory phase, 2-week on-site phase and 4-week online post-project phase</p> <p>The Open Call and the screening process adopts a non-discriminative approach ensuring a balanced geographic representation, gender balance and fair access to all. In doing so, the organisers do not discriminate any applicant or participant on the basis of his or her race, national origin (ancestry), colour, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, pregnancy, disability, religion (creed), marital status, or age.</p>
<b>I am an ASEM country national living in a non-ASEM country. Am I eligible to apply?</b>	<p>Definitely! As long as you are an ASEM national, you may apply regardless of your country of residence.</p>
<b>I am a non-ASEM country national living in an ASEM country. Am I eligible to apply?</b>	<p>Only nationals of the 51 ASEM Partner countries are eligible to apply. See <a href="#">the list of countries here</a>.</p>
<b>I am younger than 18 years/older than 30 years. Am I still eligible to apply?</b>	<p>If you believe that you meet all other criteria and have a suitable profile, you may still apply, and your application might be considered on an exceptional basis. However, those who fulfil all application requirements will be prioritised.</p>
<b>I have not been directly involved in any activities related to sustainable tourism or green economy. Can I still apply?</b>	<p>Certainly! We always seek to gather a diverse group, including unusual profiles. From our experience, multicultural and cross-disciplinary groups learn and benefit the most from our educational projects. At ASEF, we seek people with fresh and innovative ideas, regardless of their educational, professional or social background!</p>

## PROGRAMME

### PRE-EVENT PHASE

**Do I need to prepare anything before the on-site event?**

The ASEFSU22 integrates a 4-week long online-based preparatory phase where you will get familiar with the topic of inclusive societies. The phase will kick-start your preparations for the upcoming on-site phase and will require a couple of hours of work per week.

### ON-SITE PHASE

**How does the programme in Croatia and Slovenia look like?**

The Programme of the on-site phase will be published shortly on our project website.

### POST-EVENT PHASE

**Are there any commitments after the project?**

The on-site phase is followed by a 4-week long online post-project phase. In this phase all prototypes developed on site – analogue and digital – will be analysed and tested by the relevant stakeholders and communities engaged. The participants will also play a crucial role in following-up on the initiatives and dissemination of information about the lessons learnt at ASEFSU22.

The participants will further have the opportunity to engage in other ASEF activities, for example:

- a) **Participating in ASEM Ministerial Meetings/ High level forums**  
Participants will represent the ASEM youth at major government officials and policy makers meetings.
- b) **Leaving a vibrant legacy**  
The ASEFSU22 challenge solutions will be analysed by relevant stakeholders and implemented, where possible.
- c) **Attending alumni-led initiatives**  
Each participant will build networks within our ASEF community and continue the exchanges of ideas through online and offline platforms.

We always strive to understand the impact of our projects and may get in touch with former participants to conduct impact assessments.

## ACCESSIBILITY

**Will the summer university be fully accessible?**

We aim to make all our projects as accessible as possible and accommodate all needs of participants. We will therefore request all selected participants to provide us with their special requirements while registering for the conference.

**I have a disability and require a personal assistant. Can I bring my own?**

Of course. If you require to be accompanied by a personal assistant, you are welcome to bring her/him to the project.

**Are the costs covered for my personal assistant?**

Yes, we will cover her/his travel expenses (subject to a maximum travel subsidy) as well as provide her/him with accommodation and meals throughout the project.

**Can you provide me with a personal assistant?**

We will make our best efforts to provide you with a local personal assistant in case you would request one. Nevertheless, we recommend participants to bring their own assistants if possible.

**I have a learning disability, can I apply?**

Yes, we encourage everybody to apply to ASEFSU22: persons with learning disabilities, persons with other impairments as well as those who do not identify themselves as being disabled.

**Can I submit the application in any format other than the one provided?**

To allow us to assess the applications smoothly, all applications need to be completed in English and submitted through the online form provided. However, if you have an access need related to the application form which cannot be overcome, please get in touch with us and we will try to accommodate your needs.

## FEES

**Is there a participation fee?**

There are no participation or registration fees.

## LODGING & MEALS

**Do the organisers provide accommodation during the event?**

The organisers will provide accommodation to all participants travelling from abroad.

**How about food?**

Meals will be provided during the conference as indicated in the programme.

**I have special dietary requirements; will this be an issue?**

The organisers will, as much as possible, plan to adjust the meals for participants who have special dietary requirements.

## TRAVEL, VISA & INSURANCE

**What about the travel costs?**

We will provide a travel subsidy for participants travelling from abroad, from your country of residence to Slovenia and back. The subsidy could also cover local transportation (home – airport – home). The travel subsidy amount will be announced to the selected participants in their confirmation letter.

We will also cover the costs of transportation from Slovenia to Croatia and back.

**How about visa fees and insurance?**

Yes, insurance and visa fee (if applicable) will be covered under the offered travel subsidy.

**Can I receive support letters for the visas?**

Of course, we will issue visa support letter(s) to those who require it.

**Can I receive a support letter to submit to my university/workplace?**

Yes, upon your request we can issue letter(s) to be given to your university or workplace.

## FURTHER QUERIES

**Do you have more questions?**

Drop us an email at [asefsu@asef.org](mailto:asefsu@asef.org) or get in touch with our department at [+65 6874 9726](tel:+6568749726) (international charges apply).

If everything is clear, then you are [ready to apply](#).

## ORGANISERS OF THE ASEFSU22

### Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF)

The Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF) promotes understanding, strengthens relationships and facilitates cooperation among the people, institutions and organisations of Asia and Europe. ASEF enhances dialogue, enables exchanges and encourages collaboration across the thematic areas of culture, education, governance, sustainable development, economy and public health.

ASEF is an intergovernmental not-for-profit organisation located in Singapore. Founded in 1997, it is the only institution of the Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM).

ASEF runs more than 25 projects a year, consisting of around 100 activities, mainly conferences, seminars, workshops, lectures, publications, and online platforms, together with about 125 partner organisations. Each year over 3,000 Asians and Europeans participate in ASEF's activities, and much wider audiences are reached through its various events, networks, and web-portals.

For more information, please visit the [website of the Asia-Europe Foundation \(ASEF\)](#).

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### Algebra University College (Croatia)

Algebra University College carries out undergraduate and graduate studies in Computer Engineering, Multimedia Computing and Digital Marketing, and since 2016 the only e-Leadership MBA program in Croatia. The University's mission is to create opportunities for Croatian and international students to acquire excellent skills and knowledge as well as build globally competitive careers in digital technologies.

The University's overall approach to education and quality has been recognised by the national higher education regulatory agency of Croatia (ASHE) where the University is ranked 1<sup>st</sup> among all Universities of Applied Sciences in respect to quality assurance as well as the quality of overall educational process. In mid-2014, Microsoft declared Algebra the world's educational partner of the year, and the University is the only institution in Croatia that has met the quality criteria of the Dutch-Flemish accreditation agency - NVAO.

For more information, please visit the website of [Algebra University College](#).

### Edward Bernays University College (Croatia)

Edward Bernays University College is a unique higher education institution offering the most innovative communications and tourism study programmes in Central and East Europe. The communications study programmes, Communication Management at the undergraduate level and Public Relations Management at the graduate level, and the tourism study programmes, Tourist Destination Management and Marketing at the undergraduate level and Experience Management in Tourism at the graduate level, bear the strong seal of dual education, allowing students to begin their careers in the business and tourism sectors already during their studies. The successful higher education model that students undergo from beginning to end of their studies is confirmed by the fact that a fifth of Bernays students are hired already during their studies.

By combining academic knowledge with practical skills, students master all areas of communication and tourism management, while students have the opportunity to gain the necessary knowledge for the real sector through partnerships with the leading PR agencies, companies and institutions, tourist destinations, global hotel chains, event management companies and occupational organisations from communications and tourism.

For more information, please visit the website of [Edward Bernays University College](#).

### Institute of Agriculture and Tourism in Poreč (Croatia)

The Institute of Agriculture and Tourism in Poreč is a public scientific institute which operates under the authority of the Ministry of Science and Education of the Republic of Croatia. With a more than 140-year long tradition, the basic commitment of the Institute has been to perform applied scientific research with the aim to solve actual problems in agriculture and to define points of rural development. In the last 29 years the activities have been widened by research in the domain of tourism.

The Institute has three departments: Department of Agriculture and Nutrition, Department of Economics and Agriculture Development and Department of Tourism. Its research activities are mostly oriented to viticulture, olive growing, olive oil investigation, vegetable growing, agro-food products development, ecology, sustainable tourism, protected area management, agricultural economics and organisation of the agriculture and the food system and rural development. The Institute actively collaborates with local authorities, educational institutions and related entities, particularly on raising public interest in sustainable tourism.

For more information, please visit the website of [Institute of Agriculture and Tourism in Poreč](#).

#### **University of Ljubljana – Faculty of Economics (Slovenia)**

University of Ljubljana is the oldest and largest higher education and scientific research institution in Slovenia. It has more than 40,000 undergraduate and postgraduate students and employs approximately 5,600 higher education teachers, researchers, assistants and administrative staff in 23 faculties and 3 arts academies.

The University of Ljubljana is renowned for its quality social and natural sciences and technical study programmes, structured in accordance with the Bologna Declaration. The University is listed amongst the top 500 universities in the world according to the ARWU Shanghai, Times THES-QS and WEBOMETRICS rankings.

For more information, please visit the website of the [University of Ljubljana](#).

#### **University of Primorska – Faculty of Tourism Studies (Slovenia)**

The Faculty of Tourism Studies – Turistica is a member of the University of Primorska. It is the only faculty of tourism in Slovenia that offers multi-disciplinary teaching and research of tourism and educates HR for high-quality planning, management and an excellent tourism offer.

Turistica has been implementing the European vision of modern education in tourism for more than 20 years. The Faculty uses the knowledge in the field of economy, ecology and social sciences to direct tourism into sustainable development. Thus, Turistica contributes to the knowledge society, innovative solutions, sustainable development and cultural harmony. Turistica has study programmes on all three levels, with the doctoral study programme *Innovative Tourism* initiated in 2012. The integration into the international environment, which is one of Turistica's main goals, brings additional value to the improvement of the study methods, and the advancement in science and research.

For more information, please visit the website of the [University of Primorska](#).

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### **CROATIA**

#### **Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Republic of Croatia**

Website of the [Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Republic of Croatia](#).

#### **Croatian National Tourism Board**

Website of the [Croatian National Tourism Board](#).

#### **Administrative Department of Tourism of Istrian Region**

Website of the [Administrative Department of Tourism of Istrian Region](#).

#### **Association Lijepa Naša**

Website of the [Association Lijepa Naša](#).

#### **Association of Employers in Croatian Hospitality (UPUHH)**

Website of the [Association of Employers in Croatian Hospitality \(UPUHH\)](#).

#### **City of Poreč**

Website of the [City of Poreč](#).

#### **Tourism Association of Poreč**

Website of the [Tourism Association of Poreč](#).

## SLOVENIA

### **Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia**

Website of the [Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia](#).

### **Slovenian Tourism Board**

Website of the [Slovenian Tourism Board](#).

### **Alliance for Innovators and Researchers in Tourism and Hospitality (AIRTH)**

Website of the [Alliance for Innovators and Researchers in Tourism and Hospitality \(AIRTH\)](#).

### **GoodPlace Slovenia**

Website of [GoodPlace Slovenia](#).

## INTERNATIONAL

### **Hostelling International**

Website of [Hostelling International](#).

### **Urban Adventures**

Website of [Urban Adventures](#).

### **Erasmus Student Network (ESN)**

Website of the [Erasmus Student Network \(ESN\)](#).

### **European Students' Forum (AEGEE-Europe)**

Website of the [European Students' Forum \(AEGEE-Europe\)](#).

### **European Students' Union (ESU)**

Website of the [European Students' Union \(ESU\)](#).

### **International Association of Political Science (IAPSS)**

Website of the [International Association of Political Science \(IAPSS\)](#).

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Hermit crabs are known for reusing abandoned, empty shells of molluscs. Some species of hermit crabs are known to be migratory; they do not only move from one place to another carrying their shells, often they also transfer from one shell to another while traveling. The ASEFSU22 takes inspiration from the hermit crab's peculiar way of life in encouraging the youth to transform the tourism industry by way of sustainable practices.