

11th ASEF Journalists' Seminar

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Shaping Perceptions and Minds towards Achieving the SDGs



FAQ

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ESSENTIALS

I'm interested, what now?	Submit the online application here .
When is the deadline?	We accept applications until Sunday, 8 October 2017 (23:59 GMT) Keep an eye on the confirmation email upon your successful submission; if you do not receive it, it might have landed in your junk/spam folder.
When will the results be out?	We will announce the application outcome by the end of October. You will receive an email with your result.
Who can apply?	Citizens of any of the 51 Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) partner countries Practicing journalists, reporters, freelancers, and media representatives, aged 25-40 Journalists and reporters with experience and interest in covering sustainable development and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Applicants with strong command of English (written and verbal)
I am an ASEM country national residing in a non-ASEM country. Am I eligible to apply?	As long as you are an ASEM national, you may apply regardless of your country of residence.
I am a non-ASEM country national residing in an ASEM country. Am I eligible to apply?	No, only nationals of the 51 ASEM partner countries are eligible to apply. See the list of countries here .
I am a journalist younger than 25 years/older than 40 years. Am I still eligible to apply?	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.
I have not been directly involved with the topic of SDGs before. Can I still apply?	Yes, you can apply, but priority will be given to journalists with relevant experience on the topic of the Seminar.
I have not been directly involved in ASEM topics before. Can I still apply?	We do not require that you have been previously involved in ASEM topics. The ASEFJS11 provides an opportunity to learn more about the ASEM format and to network with fellow journalists and reporters from Asia and Europe, who share a commitment in covering sustainable development and the achievement of the SDGs.

PROGRAMME	On-site phase	Please refer to the Programme .
	Are there any commitments after the project?	There are no post-seminar commitments envisioned. As a participant, you will become part of ASEF's broad media network and may be invited to present the outcomes of the project at future projects and events.
ACCESSIBILITY	Will the ASEFJS11 be fully accessible?	All ASEF projects aim at being as accessible as possible and we attempt therefore to accommodate all participants' needs. We kindly ask applicants to, while completing the application form, let us know of any special needs they might have.
	I have a disability and require a personal assistant. Can I bring my own?	If you require to be accompanied by a personal assistant, you are welcome to bring her/him to the project. Simply, communicate this information to us while completing your application.
	Are the costs covered for my personal assistant?	Yes, we will be able to cover their travel expenses (subject to a maximum travel subsidy) as well as provide them 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.
	Can I submit the application in other formats 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 issue related to the application form which cannot be overcome, please get in touch with us and we'll 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 and meals during the event?	The organisers will provide accommodation and meals for participants, as indicated in the programme.
	I have special dietary requirements, will this be an issue?	The organisers will, as much as possible, make arrangements 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 Naypyidaw and back. The subsidy could also cover local transportation (home-airport-home).

The amount will be announced to the selected participants in the confirmation letter.

How about visa fees and insurance?

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

Can ASEF provide a support letter for the visa?

ASEF will issue a visa support letter to those who require it.

Can ASEF issue a support letter to submit to my employer?

Yes, upon your request we can issue a letter to be given to your employer.

**FURTHER
QUERIES**

Do you have more questions?

If you have any further questions, please contact Mr. Vasil STEFANOV at: vasil.stefanov@ASEF.org



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