CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Researchers for
9th ASEF Regional Conference on Higher Education (ARC9)
“ASEM Higher Education Mapping: Working Towards the SDGs”
ASEF Education Department (ASEFEdu)

ABOUT ARC

The ASEF Regional Conference on Higher Education (ARC) is the “Official Dialogue Partner of the ASEF Education Ministers Meeting (ASEMME)” and the only bi-regional multi-stakeholder dialogue platform for university and student leaders, policy makers and ministers to discuss higher education issues and shape the education landscape in Asia and Europe. The 9th edition of ARC is taking place over two years, 2022/23 titled “ASEM Higher Education Mapping: Working Towards the SDGs.”

ABOUT THE RESEARCH

The first year of the project will include two research activities and focus on gathering evidence and mapping out 1) higher education policies in the 51 ASEM Partner countries and 2) practices of ASEM Universities. Two reports are envisioned in this phase:

(1) ASEM Higher Education Policies: Working Towards the SDGs (focus on policies)
This report will explore the following questions, amongst others: To what extent are ASEM national higher education policies oriented towards the SDGs? How do ASEM higher education policies translate the global goals into local goals? Which mission of the universities are the most often targeted? What kind of policy tools are most often used to promote sustainable development in higher education? Inputs for the report will come from exploratory focus group discussions with stakeholders, and a survey distributed among the 51 ASEM Ministries responsible for Higher Education. Both data collection activities will be organized by ASEFEdu.

(2) ASEM Higher Education and Research for Sustainable Development (focus on practices)
This report will help showcase developments regarding SD in the higher education sector, and help universities implement good practices in sustainability. The report is prepared in collaboration with the International Association of Universities (IAU) as an regional ASEM breakout report, based on IAU’s biennial Global Report on Higher Education and Research for Sustainable Development (HESD). Input to the report will come from the IAU HESD Global Survey. The data collection activities will be organized by ASEFEdu.

CALL FOR PROPOSAL

ASEFEdu is seeking up to 4 individuals to work jointly on the reports mentioned above.

Role: Researcher producing the reports
Location: Home-based in ASEM Partner’s countries
Time Frame: May – December 2022

The expectations for this role are:

- Collaborate with ASEFEdu to refine and adjust the research design and methodology as needed
- Analyse the collected quantitative and qualitative data, conduct focus group discussions, and produce the written reports as outlined above, as a team with selected researchers

The research reports will be published by ASEF and its results showcased at different regional conventions in Asia and Europe. For more details of the concept note of the research, please refer to the website.

CANDIDATE REQUIREMENTS

- Citizens of an ASEM Partner country
- Experience in quantitative and qualitative research
- Expertise in the area of public policy or higher education policy and sustainable development

APPLICATION AND CONTACT DETAILS

Interested individuals should send

- the “Expression of Interest” document together with
- the CV demonstrating suitability.

by email to Ms Reka TOZSA, Senior Project Manager of ASEF Higher Education Programme E: reka.tozsa@asef.org by Monday, 23 May 2022 latest by 23h59 GMT. Please direct your inquiries to Reka TOZSA as well.