

8th Model ASEM

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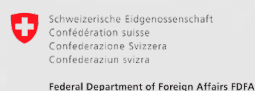
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ESSENTIALS

- I'm interested, what now?** Glad to hear that you are ready to seize this opportunity! Submit the online application [here](#).
- When is the deadline?** We accept applications until **Sunday, 3 September 2017, GMT 23.59**.

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 in batches starting from mid-September 2017. You will receive an email with your result. Don't forget to also follow our [ASEFEdu Facebook page](#) and [Twitter account](#) for all the latest updates.
- Who can apply?**
- * Citizens of any of the [51 Asia-Europe Meeting \(ASEM\) partner countries](#)
 - * Students between 18-30 years old
 - * Students with strong command of English (written and verbal)
 - * We welcome applications from students with a sincere interest in international relations, from all levels (undergraduate, graduate and doctoral) and all disciplines
- I am an ASEM country national studying in a non-ASEM country. Am I eligible to apply?** Definitely! As long as you are an ASEM national, you may apply regardless of your country of residence.
- I am an non-ASEM country national studying 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 young professional/ student older than 30 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 fulfill all application requirements will be prioritised.
- I am currently taking a gap year from studying. Am I still eligible to apply?** If you are taking a gap year from studying, for example doing an internship between your bachelor's and master's degree, you can still apply to the 8th Model ASEM.
- I have not been directly involved in ASEM topics before. Can I still apply?** Of course! We always seek to gather a diverse group, including unusual suspects. Our experience is that a multicultural and cross-disciplinary team enjoys and learns the most from our educational projects. For the 8th Model ASEM we seek people who like to debate and are curious about ASEM and international relations.

PROGRAMME	Pre-event phase Do I need to prepare anything before the journey?	The 8 th Model ASEM includes a 6-week online preparatory phase that consists of webinars, individual tasks, case studies and team work. During the preparatory phase you may interact with officials at your Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
	On-site phase	Please refer to the Programme .
	Post-event phase Are there any commitments after the project?	<p>After the conference, participants from the 8th Model ASEM are engaged in various capacities including but not limited to:</p> <p>a) ASEM Ministerial meetings/High-level forums: Possibility to engage with senior government officials and policy makers e.g. at ASEM Foreign Ministers</p> <p>b) Model ASEM spin-off series: Participate in or organise Model ASEM spin-off events at your own university or in other ASEM countries</p> <p>c) Alumni-led initiatives: Build networks with our ASEF community and continue the international exchanges of ideas through online and offline platforms</p> <p>We always strive to understand the impact of our projects and may get in touch with former participants to conduct impact assessments.</p>
ACCESSIBILITY	Will the 8th Model ASEM be fully accessible?	All ASEFEdu 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?	Of course! 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 need 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 during the event?	The organisers will provide accommodation for 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, make arrangements to adjust the meals for participants who have special dietary requirements.
TRAVEL, VISA & INSURANCE	What about the travel cost?	We will provide a travel subsidy for participants travelling from abroad, from your country of residence to the starting point in Myanmar 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) could be covered under the capped subsidy.
	Can ASEF provide a support letter for the visa?	Of course, we will issue a visa support letter to those who require it.
	Can ASEF issue a support letter to submit to my university/ employer?	Yes, upon your request we can issue a letter to be given to the university/employer.
FURTHER QUESTIONS	Do you have more questions?	Drop us an email at modelasem@asef.org or call us at +65 6874 9715. If everything is clear, then you are ready to apply!

ELEMENTS OF DIPLOMACY

Success is achieved in using the available tools in the most efficient way. While diplomats often use words to express the views of their countries, the Model ASEM design has chosen to focus on tangible elements of diplomacy. Simple but powerful, each element represents the foundations of ASEM: diversity, consensus, exchanges, participation, cultures and opportunities.

A passport allows one to visit different countries and understand their cultures. At the Model ASEM participants have the opportunity to meet new people, while they absorb every bit of the host country's culture.