

ASEM-DUO WALLONIA-BRUSSELS
MOBILITY SCHOLARSHIP
PROGRAMME

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS AND
REGULATION 2024-2025

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01. PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAMME

01.1 / THE ACADEMY FOR RESEARCH

02. 2.3 / TERMS OF PAYMENT

- » **ARES will proceed with the purchase of international transport tickets** (flight or train tickets in economy class) according to the dates communicated in the flight preference form, sending several options to each beneficiary beforehand ;
- » In the exceptional event that one or the other beneficiary wishes to purchase his/her own transport tickets (air or train tickets), he/she shall inform ARES via the flight preference form and provide a copy of the transport tickets that he/she paid. The beneficiary who makes use of this possibility accepts that this personal purchase will not be reimbursed later by ARES and that the scholarship awarded will therefore correspond exclusively to the amount of the daily allowances (per diem) ;
- » **After the cost of the international transport tickets has been deducted from the individual scholarship, ARES undertakes to pay the amount of the per diem capped at the amount of the scholarship in two instalments to each beneficiary into the bank account indicated in the agreement.** Before the payment of the first instalment of the per diem, ARES will send a pre-filled form containing the beneficiary's bank details and the amount to be paid; this is a declaration of claim. The beneficiary will have to check, sign and return this document to ARES before his/her departure. In the event that the beneficiary makes two trips, the statement of claim will only be sent by ARES to the beneficiary for the second trip. The amount of the per diem varies from one country to another and is listed in the table¹ below :

Countries of destination	Daily allowance
Australia	

Singapore	$\frac{1}{4}$
Thailand	$\frac{1}{4}$
Taiwan	$\frac{1}{4}$
Vietnam	$\frac{1}{4}$

» **The per diem will be paid in two instalments** calculated as follows:

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Rue Royale 180 ±1000 Bruxelles (Belgique) ;

- » Applications must be submitted **between January 29th, 2024 and March 29th, 2024**. No applications will be accepted before or after these dates ;
- » An acknowledgement of receipt is sent to the applicants within 3 days after the reception of the application. Without any response after that time, please contact international@ares-ac.be.

02.4 / SELECTION

02.4.1 / SELECTION CRITERIA

ARES selects beneficiaries of the ASEM-DUO Wallonia-Brussels Mobility Scholarship programme based on the following criteria:

- » The **originality** of the project ;
- » The scientific, academic or artistic **quality of the applicants** (e.g. publications, publications with the partner institution, research or artistic project, exhibitions, work experience, competitions, academic background, etc.) ;
- » the **level of internationalisation** of the project, i.e. opportunities for developing collaborations that go beyond the project itself ;
- » The **expected impact** of the scholarship **on the work and professional career of the applicant** ;
- » The **expected impact** of the scholarship **on** W K H D S S O L F D Q W ¶ V L Q V W L W X W L R Q
- » The **explanation for the duration** of the trip ;
- » The **quality of bilateral relations** between the Wallonia-Brussels institution and the Asian partner ;
- » The **relevance of financial support** for the applicants ;
- » The **complementarity of the projects** submitted between the members of the duo (if the projects are different).

02.4.2 / JURY AND SELECTION PROCEDURE

The administrative eligibility of applications is examined by the International Relations Department (DRI) of ARES. Admissible applications are presented to a jury responsible for analysing and evaluating them with a

Finally, the candidates will be informed of the results of the selection and will be invited to sign a tripartite agreement binding themselves and ARES.

02.5 / PROVISIONAL CALENDAR

Date	Action	Responsibility
January 29, 2024	Publication of the opening of submissions	ARES
March 29, 2024	Deadline for submissions	ARES
July 1 st , 2024	Results of the selection procedure sent to the applicants	ARES
August 30, 2024	Signing of the agreements	ARES and scholarship holders
2024-2025	Mobilities and payment of per diem instalments	ARES and scholarship holders
October 30 th , 2024	Deadline for submission of visit reports	ARES

02.6 / VISA

The visa application must be introduced by the recipient to the local Belgian diplomatic post. As per his request, he/she will receive a certificate from ARES attesting the granting of a scholarship in order to facilitate any administrative procedure.

Beneficiaries are invited to consult the list of third countries whose nationals are subject to the visa requirement on the website of the Immigration Office² in order to find out whether a short-stay visa is required for their entry into Belgium.

02.7 / REFERENCE TO ARES

The continuation of the ASEM-DUO Wallonia-Brussels programme is conditional on the demonstration of the ARES contribution. The beneficiaries therefore undertake to:

- » Highlight ARES as financial partner of the project for any publication or communication (report, article, monograph, communication at a conference, film, website, press release, etc.) which would be done in WKH IUDPH RU DV D UHVXOW RI WKH SURMHFW DQG QDPHO\ XVLQJ \$5 (6
- » Highlight ARES as financial partner of the project during any event taking place as part of or following the project, for example during seminars, workshops, symposium, inauguration of facilities, etc.;

² <https://dofi.ibz.be/fr/themes/entry/border-control/visa/visa-type-c/liste-des-pays-tiers-dont-les-ressortissants-sont>

- » Respond to any requests from ARES for any public presentation of the project, for example in the form of a video or a poster, by ARES.

02.8 / PRIVACY

The personal data are kept by the ARES for the time needed to process the file.

These data are treated in the strictest respect of the law of 30 July 2018 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and, more specifically, of the Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the Parliament European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and the free movement of such data (GDPR).

Beneficiaries also have the following rights:

- » The right to information,
- » The right of access to the data,
- » The right of rectification,
- » The right to erase data (if and only if the data are no longer necessary for the purposes for which they were collected).

02.10 / FORCE MAJEURE

The Party affected by a case of force majeure, making it impossible to comply with one or more of its obligations under this Regulation and the Agreement shall immediately notify the other two Parties. A case of "force majeure" is defined by its irresistible, unforeseeable and independent nature.

That Party shall make every effort, in agreement with the other two Parties, to reduce as far as possible the harmful effects/damage resulting from this situation.

ARES reserves the right to verify and control the reality of the facts with the party that considers itself to be affected by the case of force majeure. If the ARES legal department confirms the case of force majeure, the party claiming force majeure is temporarily released from its obligations. In agreement with the other two parties, the party affected by the case of force majeure will, in the end, make every effort to find or propose alternatives so that the obligations contained in these rules and in the agreement can be fulfilled.

02.11 / COMPETENT COURTS

Any dispute regarding the execution of this agreement is the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the judicial district of Brussels.

03. CONTACTS AND FAQ

If you have any questions, please refer to our Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) section available on the following link of the ARES website:

<https://www.ares-ac.be/en/relations-internationales/asem-duo-grant>

For any information related to this announcement, please contact:

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