

ASEM Work Placement Programme

Call academic year 2025-2026

1. General Description

The ASEM Work Placement Programme (ASEM WPP) was established for promoting the exchange of talent between Europe and Asia within the ASEM education process. This programme focuses on work placements¹ for students enrolled in higher education. The destination countries for European students are Bangladesh, Brunei, Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kazakhstan, Republic of Korea, Laos, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Pakistan, The Philippines, Singapore, Thailand & Vietnam. In addition to the general criteria of the programme, the sending country can have its own application criteria.

2. General eligibility criteria

In order to be eligible, the application needs to fulfill the minimum criteria below:

- Applications can be accepted in all disciplines.
- There is no restriction on nationality of the applicant.
- Before starting the work placement, the applicant has completed at least one year in higher education. This means a study programme of 60 credits.
- The ASEM WPP forms an integral part of the curriculum of the applicant and should be recognized by the home institution.
- The applicant's higher education institution in the home country (home institution) and an institution/organization/company in the host country (host institution) have established a Work Placement Agreement.
- The applicant has a sufficient level of the English language, certified by either of the following:
 - Exemption for the language test signed by the home institution.
 - English language test:
 - an overall band score of minimum 6 on the IELTS test;
 - a minimum total score of 80 on the TOEFL test:
 - a B2 level on the Certificate in Advanced English (CAE)²;
 - a similar result in another official English language test; recognized by the home institution.

Next to these general eligibility criteria, applicants need to comply with additional country specific requirements, as mentioned in the 'Country specific criteria'.

² Common European Framework of Reference: https://www.coe.int/en/web/common-european-framework-reference-languages/level-descriptions.



¹ Work placement: hands-on experience at the work place as integral part of the curriculum.

3. Modalities

- The ASEM WPP mobility duration is minimum 1 month and maximum 6 months.
- Upon completion of the work placement, the student is required to submit a Work placement Evaluation and an ASEM WPP Student Report for which templates are available in the **Mobility-Online** tool.