### Introduction

ASEM-DUO is a fellowship-granting programme for university students and teachers in ASEM member countries who will engage in two-way educational exchanges between Asian and European institutions for further study, research, or joint lecture.

For this purpose, the ASEM-DUO requires that a PAIR (one from Asia and the other from Europe) of students or teachers enter into exchange.

### Purpose

ASEM-DUO Fellowship Programme aims to:

- Promote balanced exchanges of students, teachers, and professors between Europe and Asia
- Contribute to setting up regular basis exchange programs between European and Asian tertiary institutions
- Establish deeper understanding between two regions

### Basic Concept

The ASEM-DUO only supports paired exchange - one from Asia/one from Europe

- Balanced exchange through pairing
- Continuing exchange through dealing with the international exchange offices under exchange agreements (95% continued exchange)

### Core Principles

Contributing members can dictate terms of exchange other than three core principles:

- **Pairing**: One from Asia, one from Europe
- **Duration**: Students: One semester (4 months) / Professors: One month
- **Fellowship Unit**: Students: 1500–3000 Euros/pair for a month / Professors: 1500–3000 Euros/pair for a month

Currently, no DUO-Programmes restrict the use of the fellowship; it can finance the tuition, living or travel expenses. Also, as long as they are within the awarded academic year, the period of exchange and majors do not necessarily have to coincide for each pair.

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### Structure

The ASEM-DUO Fellowship Programme is basically an umbrella programme for individual programmes to be determined by contributing members. However, all these programmes are governed by a set of Core Principles.

### Features of Implementation

The ASEM-DUO Fellowship is very flexible and easy to implement:

- **Flexibility**
  - No limitation to the amount of contribution
  - No limitation to the duration of contribution
  - Any partner countries, any field of exchange

- **Ease of Implementation**
  - Contributions only need to set up Eligibility and Selection
  - Secretariat has well-established operating procedures
  - Close monitoring of exchanges

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### History

**ASEM-DUO Expert Meeting**

- **2000.10**: The 1st ASEM-DUO Expert Meeting, Seoul, Korea
- **2001.11**: The 2nd ASEM-DUO Expert Meeting, Seoul, Korea
- **2002.05**: The 3rd ASEM-DUO Expert Meeting, Paris, France
- **2003.05**: The 4th ASEM-DUO Expert Meeting, Bangkok, Thailand
- **2004.05**: The 5th ASEM-DUO Expert Meeting, Hanoi, Vietnam
- **2005.01**: The 6th ASEM-DUO Expert Meeting, Copenhagen, Denmark
- **2006.03**: The 7th ASEM-DUO Expert Meeting, Bangkok, Thailand
- **2007.04**: The 8th ASEM-DUO Expert Meeting, Hangzhou, China
- **2008.05**: The 9th ASEM-DUO Expert Meeting, Riga, Latvia
- **2009.11**: The 10th ASEM-DUO Expert Meeting, Seoul, Korea

**ASEM-DUO Alumni Meeting**

- **2005.10**: The 1st ASEM-DUO Fellows Alumni Meeting, Seoul, Korea
- **2006.11**: The 2nd ASEM-DUO Fellows Alumni Meeting, Seoul, Korea
- **2007.10**: The 3rd ASEM-DUO Fellows Alumni Meeting, Seoul, Korea

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### Comparison of ASEM-DUO

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### Programme

ASEM-DUO Fellowship Programme

Balanced Exchange through PAIRING

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Over the past seventeen years, there have been exchanges of financial support of the ASEM-DUO. The supported exchanges seem to have been firmly established, the ASEM-DUO.

Myung Syo KIM (Korea), Ewha Womans University

My exchange program in South Korea has been a great benefit to my life. Living in another country will open one's mind to new cultures, different ways of life and new opportunities. My time at the University in South Korea was tough at first, but the hard work is well worth while and I feel proud that I have successfully finished one year of education at a foreign university and I am most grateful to have been chosen to be a part of this great program.

Kosky Doughty Shirla (Kingdom), University of Central Lancashire

I want to express my utter gratefulness and thankfulness to DUO- Sweden for all the support through my exchange period in Hong Kong. Without the support from DUO-Sweden and the scholarship, I wouldn't be able to explore its unique culture and nature. Mostly I have gained a life experience and more knowledge about myself and other cultures. Thank you for letting me fulfill my dream and for supporting me so I could expand my knowledge.

Tobias Gérón (Belgium), Gent University

Thank you very much for the support of DUOBelgium/Flanders Fellowship and it allows me to study in this beautiful city of Belgium. I recommend you have an exchange life strongly if you can get an opportunity, you will find everything is not difficult than imagined. Maybe you feel very nervous at first, but you will see your path in future more clearly and know what kind of life you want to get.

Yinan Chen (China), Jiangnan University

1 semester for students is 4 months (120 days) and you can apply for maximum 1 semester (4 months).

Q4. How many times is application for ASEM-DUO Fellowship in a year?

The call for each ASEM-DUO Fellowship is announced ONLY once a year.

Q5. For ASEM-DUO, who select exchange projects?

The Selection Committee of each Programme selects successful applicants.

Q6. How long does the selection procedure take?

Approximately in 4 to 6 weeks, the selection is completed. As soon as the selection is made, the result is announced on this website and the selected ones are contacted by the secretariat through e-mail.

Q7. Are there any restrictions in using the fellowship?

There are no restrictions. It can finance tuition and living cost and so on.