

## **THE IMPLEMENTATION GUIDELINE TO THE DUO-KOREA 2021 FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**

This Implementation Guideline to the **DUO-Korea 2021 Fellowship Program** has been established by the Secretariat for the ASEM-DUO Fellowship Program (“Secretariat”) for the mutually convenient and efficient implementation of the fellowship to be provided for a cooperation project (“Project”). The Korean and European institutions are represented by the contact persons as specified in the project (“Contact Persons”).

### **1. DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED FOR VERIFICATION BY KOREAN INSTITUTION**

The Korean institution shall submit or arrange to submit the following documents to the Secretariat within one (1) month after the notification of the award selection by the Secretariat. If any exchange starts earlier than one month after the selection announcement, the following documents shall be sent to the Secretariat prior to the actual implementation of the exchange. The Korean institution may send all signed and scanned documents by e-mail.

#### **1.1 The Application Form**

The original application, which was signed by the contact person and director and sealed with the official stamp of the Korean institution, shall be scanned and submitted to the Secretariat.

#### **1.2 Transcript**

Awardees are required to enclose a scanned version of the official English transcript including **the grades until spring semester 2021**.

#### **1.3 Letter of Acceptance**

The letter of acceptance is a contract that awardees will observe and adhere to this Implementation Guideline. The form should be signed by the awardees and contact persons enlisted on the application, and submitted to the Secretariat.

## **2. DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED FOR VERIFICATION BY EUROPEAN INSTITUTION**

The European institution shall submit or arrange to submit the following documents to the Secretariat within **one (1) month** after the notification of the award selection by the Secretariat. If any exchange starts earlier than one month after the selection announcement, following documents shall be sent to the Secretariat prior to the actual implementation of the exchange. The European institution may send all signed and scanned documents by e-mail.

### **2.1 Transcript**

Awardees are required to enclose a scanned version of the official English transcript including the grades **until spring semester 2021** and the institution's official stamp.

### **2.2 Letter of Acceptance**

The letter of acceptance is a contract that awardees will observe and adhere to this Implementation Guideline. The form should be signed by the awardees and contact persons enlisted on the application, and submitted to the Secretariat.

## **3. REQUEST FOR TRANSFER**

Hereafter, originating institutions are institutions where awardees were enrolled before the exchanges, and destination institutions are institutions where awardees are enrolled during the exchanges.

### **3.1 Request for Initial Transfer**

Awardees shall typewrite the information in the “**Request for Initial Transfer**” and submit it for verification to the contact persons of the originating institutions. After the verification through signature or seal, awardees shall submit the Request for Initial transfer and a copy of the purchased air tickets by e-mail to the Secretariat.

Upon receiving all documents, the Secretariat will transfer the first installment of fellowship to the designated bank account of the awardees, fifteen (15) days prior to the expected arrival date in the destination country. The Secretariat will promptly notify awardees of the transfer of the initial installment.

### 3.2 Official Courses Registration

Awardees shall send a copy of Certificate of Courses Registration in destination institution by e-mail to the Secretariat within one (1) month after the actual starting date of the semester at the destination institutions.

Awardees need to complete all courses as written on the application. If actual courses happen to differ from the courses listed on the application, awardees should submit the “Modification of Class Schedule” prior to the course registration period ends to get approval from the Secretariat. **Any failure of such notification shall result in full reimbursement of the fellowship.** The form can be downloaded at ASEM-DUO website ([www.aseduo.org](http://www.aseduo.org)).

### 3.3 Request for Final Transfer

The second installments shall be transferred at the start of the 3<sup>rd</sup> month of stay in the destination institutions. **Request for Final transfer** shall follow the same procedure as the initial request, and shall indicate the date of expected departure from the destination institution. If a semester or stay period in the destination institutions **does not reach the minimum required period (4 months\_120 days)** or goes beyond the dates of exchange, it should be explicitly mentioned in the Request for Final Transfer.

### 3.4 Exchange Duration

If the semester or stay period in the destination institutions does not reach the minimum required period (120days), awardees shall reimburse fellowship amount on a pro-rata basis. If awardees leave destination country during the exchange period without the Secretariat’s acknowledgement, **the amount of final installment may be adjusted or you may need to reimburse fellowship amount on a pro-rata basis.** Therefore, awardees who are subject to overseas trip as part of a class shall seek prior approval from the Secretariat to secure full fellowship. If the actual date of departure is earlier than the date of departure indicated in the Request for Final Transfer by more than five (5) days, the Secretariat requests Persons of Exchange to reimburse the excess amount to the Secretariat on a pro-rata basis.

#### **4. FINAL PROGRESS REPORT**

Awardees shall submit the following documents to the Secretariat **within 1 month** after the last date of exchanges.

1) **An essay on the achievement through the project**

It should be more than 3 pages in addition to the cover page. The essay form can be downloaded from the ASEM-DUO website ([www.aseduo.org](http://www.aseduo.org)).

2) **A proof of exchange duration**

A copy of passport (front page and the date-stamped page(s) of arrival and departure of the destination country) or boarding passes for both to/from destination country or Certificate of Entry & Exit (which includes the starting and ending date of the studies at the destination institutions) shall be sufficient for this purpose.

3) **A copy of transcript of the destination institution (in English)**

The list of courses enlisted on the certificate of course registration shall be closely examined with actual courses taken on the transcript. Please inform the Secretariat in advance, if it takes more than 1 month to obtain the transcript.

4) **A copy of English transcript of the originating institution**

It should also include the credits (or ECTS) given by the originating institution. List of course enlisted on the certificate of course registration shall be closely examined with actual courses taken on the transcript. Please inform the Secretariat in advance, if it takes more than 1 month to obtain the transcript.

For example, a European students should submit the transcript of the European institution which includes the results given by the Korean institution during his/her exchange semester.
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#### **5. REPRESENTATION AND WARRANTIES**

As of the Effective Date, the Korean and European institutions and awardees hereby represent and warrant to the Secretariat as follows:

- 1) All information submitted or to be submitted to the Secretariat are true, accurate and complete;
- 2) The Korean and European institutions and awardees have full power and authority to sign the letter of acceptance attached to this implementation guideline,

- participate in the Project and perform the obligations hereunder and thereunder;
- 3) In the case of the Korean and European institutions, the execution, delivery and performance of this Implementation Guideline and the Project have been duly authorized by all proper and necessary institutional or other action, and all consents or approvals that may be required as a condition to the legality, validity, binding nature and enforceability of this Implementation Guideline and the Project have been duly obtained and are in full force and effect;
  - 4) Neither the execution and delivery of this Implementation Guideline nor the performance of the obligations hereunder will violate, conflict with or result in any breach of any term, condition or provision of, or constitute a default under, any law, regulation or court order;
  - 5) Any changes to the Project from the description contained in the application shall require prior written approval of the Secretariat;

## **6. CANCELLATION**

In the event of any breach of, or non-compliance with, any term, condition or provision of this Implementation Guideline on the part of the Korean and European institutions and awardees, or **failure to implement the Project as proposed in the application submitted thereby**, the Secretariat may, at its sole discretion, **cancel the fellowship and require the return of the fellowship in full to the Secretariat.**

## **7. ASSIGNMENT**

The Korean and European institutions and awardees may not assign any of their rights or obligations arising out of this Implementation Guideline without the prior written consent of the Secretariat.

## **8. FINAL PROVISIONS**

### **8.1 Indemnification**

The Korean and European institutions and awardees shall indemnify and hold the Secretariat harmless from and against any and all liabilities, losses, damages, expenses, claims and actions of whatever kind asserted against or incurred by the Secretariat in any way relating to or arising out of this Implementation Guideline.

## **8.2 Governing law**

The laws of the Republic of Korea shall govern all questions relative to interpretation and construction of this Implementation Guideline and to its performance.

## **8.3 Dispute resolution**

Any differences, conflicts or disputes arising out of or in connection with this Implementation Guideline which cannot be resolved through good faith negotiations between the Secretariat and the Korean and European Institutions and awardees shall be resolved by a Court sitting in the City of Seoul.