Visitor Researcher Program, VRP Switzerland



IPD Academic Programs: Theory - Practice - Research - Exchange - Networking - Contribute

Visitor Research Program Periods

- 3 Month VRP: Includes 10 academic class days participation and research
- 6 Month VRP: Includes 20 academic class days participation and research
- 12 Month VRP: Includes 30 academic class days participation and research

The **main aim** of the **Visitor Research Program** is to improve the research skills of the researchers through academic trainings, peer to peer education, visit to Swiss Institutions and reading the academic materials.

Topics for Research Period

- Peacebuilding
- Mediation
- Conflict Resolution
- Security
- Intercultural dialogue
- Human Rights

Eligible Participants

A broad range of the interested participants (Age: 21+) from all over the world countries such as mentioned in below can apply to the **Visitor Research Program:**

- Representatives of Government Institutions, Diplomatic Missions and Courts
- Representatives of Business Institutions and Private Sector
- Representatives of Religious Organizations and Political Parties
- Representatives of IOs, INGOs and Local NGOs
- Representatives of Universities and Academic Staff

- Representatives of Media Institution
- Mediators, Peacebuilders, Researchers & Students

Participation Fee

- **6000EUR** for 3 Month VRP period
- 9000EUR for 6 Month VRP period
- 17000EUR for 12 Month VRP period

What is included in the participation fee during the 3-12 Month VRP period?

- Single Room Accommodation (In Luzern Kanton) expenses for whole 6-12 Month Research Period
- Lunch Expenses during the IPD Academic Trainings
- Coffee-Break expenses during the IPD Academic Trainings
- Welcome and Farewell Party
- Course & Stationary Materials (File, notebook and pen)
- WiFi Free Internet Connection
- Academic Supervisor fee to guide the research paper
- Program fee
- Certificate

What is not included in the participation fee?

- Extra Accommodation nights
- Meal expenses during the VRP period
- Breakfast and Dinner Expenses during the IPD Academic Trainings
- International and local travel expenses
- Visa and insurance expenses
- Extra persons' (family members, relatives, friends, colleagues and etc.) expenses
- Travel expenses from Lucerne Kanton (where the Visitor Researchers will stay) to Zug Kanton (Eckstein Zentrum), where the academic trainings will organise

Scholarship

IPD offers several type of scholarship support to reduction the participation fee amount for most needed potential participants from all over the world counties.

If you wish to request discounted participation fee amount, please write your request briefly via email before or during the application submission period.

Unfortunately IPD scholarship program do not cover all the participation fee amount and international travel expenses.

Participation Procedure Step by Step:

- 1. Submitting filled application in WORD format, CV, University Diploma + scanned passport page
- **2.** Participant will receive Invoice to start the payment of the requested participation fee amount due to the offered deadline.
- **3.** When the requested fee transferred to the mentioned bank account, participant will receive invitation letter via email and if there have visa application process we will send invitation letter by post and also to the relevant embassy by fax or email.

Application Submission Process

Please fill and send your application documents via email to fhuseynli@ipdinstitute.ch.

Please send your application in WORD format with your CV, Passport Page (Only photo page), University Diploma and name the documents as "NAME" "SURNAME" "COUNTRY" "DOCUMENTS NAME"

There haven't any deadline for application and researcher select the relevant starting/end time period for his/her research period. But we strongly advice to the participants to submit the filled application as soon as it's possible, who needs visa to enter Switzerland and who needs more financial documentation in the work place for his/her participation.

Bank account information to transfer the participation fee:

Payment to CHF Account:

Bank Name: PostFinance AG Bank Address: Mingerstrasse 20

3030 Bern, Switzerland

Account number: 25-100224-4 IBAN: CH62 0900 0000 2510 0224 4 SWIFT code: POFICHBEXXX

OR

Payment to EUR Account:

Bank Name: PostFinance AG Bank Address: Mingerstrasse 20

3030 Bern, Switzerland

Account number: 91-806816-2 IBAN: CH50 0900 0000 9180 6816 2 SWIFT code: POFICHBEXXX

Participation Cancellation Rules & Dates

Please note that after submission of the application in any case of the participation and accommodation cancellation till the beginning of Visitor Research Program, there will be 35% cancellation fee amount of paid fee + bank transfer and exchange rates costs will be extra charge.

Participation and accommodation cancellation till the middle of the Visitor Research Program, there will be 60% cancellation fee amount of paid fee + bank transfer and exchange rates costs will be extra charge.

Participation and accommodation cancellation after middle of the Visitor Research Program, there will be no refund.

Accommodation: Visitor Researchers will be accommodated in Single room which located in Lucerne Kanton

Organizer

Institute for Peace and Dialogue (IPD) is an independent, international non-profit and non-religious institute located in Lucerne, Switzerland. IPD dedicates itself to the promotion of prevention of conflicts between and within states, companies and communities by strengthening institutional dialogue, mediation and academic education with the participation of civil societies, INGOs, business and state institutions. To achieve its purposes, IPD providing its beneficiaries with academic-scientific programs (MA programs, summer academies, seminars, conferences, forums and exhibitions), institutional broad research-survey outputs, publication of educational materials, carrying out mediation, negotiation and reconciliation initiatives.

IPD invites state institutions, companies, INGOs, think tank centres, researchers, media and interested public actors for the cooperation and implementation of creative, innovative, effective and sustainable initiatives for the sake of empowering constructive intercultural dialogue, mediation, global governance, responsible leadership, peaceful conflict transformation, active world citizenship, human security and welfare

Our Vision

Our vision is the education of an institutionalized civil society platform in peace-building, mediation, conflict transformation and intercultural dialogue, to convey a peaceful approach and behavior.

Our Mission

Our mission is to empower civil society capacities in peacebuilding, conflict resolution, mediation and intercultural dialogue fields to build up a solution-oriented positive thinking in their work, community and family in order to have institutional impact for the sake of whole society development.

We Strongly Believe

- **1.** Desperate situation and non-solving problems are not eternal.
- 2. It is possible to make common decision and find common values, even the both conflict sides are thinking differently.
- **3.** If the hostility thinking becomes stronger, there are no winner and right side.
- **4.** Protracted conflicts on the same time endanger to the development and prosperity of conflict parties.
- **5.** Any peaceful mediation and negotiation actions are useful than nothing.

Be Our Sponsor

Sponsorship for IPD Visitor Research Program:

To be Diamond Sponsor: More than 100.000EUR and above
To be Platinum Sponsor: 75000EUR and above
To be Gold Sponsor: 50000EUR and above
To be Silver Sponsor: 25000EUR and above
To be Bronze Sponsor: 10000EUR and above

We all know that organizing such kind of international academic programs is quite expensive and very hard to implement. So to help us in this matter, we invite State Institutions, Foundations, Private Sector, Universities, Public Sector and Individual Philanthropists to be our Sponsor.

Your donation will help institutional development of academic peace and mediation education and also will be helpful as financial help in form of scholarships to motivated participants from the most needed areas of the world to apply their acquired knowledge in peace building in their countries to pave the way for a better future in their country and society.

Besides this, sponsoring to the International Academic Programs of IPD will be useful to promote your Institutional Philanthropy Policy among our participants and experts.

We will publish all the sponsor's name in our event (Banner, poster, booklet, daily program, pen, notebook etc.) and training materials

We give our deep thanks in advance for your financial contribution and it's highly appreciated from our side.

Contact person for any questions:

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We are looking forward to see you in Switzerland!