



# 6<sup>th</sup> ASEF Rectors' Conference & Students' Forum (ARC6) 9-13 October 2017, Singapore

Future-ready Universities and Graduates: Quality Education Beyond the Horizon



## FAQ

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## ESSENTIALS

### I'm interested, what now?

Great news! You are one step closer to joining us and adding your input to the future of higher education in Asia and Europe.

Submit the online application [here](#).

### When is the deadline?

We accept applications till **Sunday, 16 July 2017, GMT 23.59 hours**, be sure to apply by then!

### When will the results be out?

We will announce the application outcome in batches starting early August 2017. You will receive an email with your result and you can also follow our [ASEFEdu Facebook page](#) for the latest updates.

### Who can apply?

Citizens of any of the **51 Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM)** partner countries

Students and student association leaders engaged in academic affairs and student life from all levels (undergraduate, graduate and doctoral)

Youth between the ages of 18 to 30

Individuals with a strong command of English (written and verbal)

Participants ready to actively participate in the 6-week online preparatory phase

### What are the steps for a smooth application process?

For us to consider your application please keep in mind the following steps:

1) Submit the online application [here](#).

2) Keep an eye on the confirmation email upon your successful submission; if you do not receive it, it might have landed in your junk/spam folder.

### I am an ASEM country national studying in a non-ASEM country. Am I eligible to apply?

Definitely! As long as you are an ASEM national, you may apply regardless of your country of residence.

### I am a non-ASEM country national studying in an ASEM country. Am I eligible to apply?

No, only nationals of the 51 ASEM partner countries are eligible to apply. See the list of countries [here](#).

### I am a student older than 30 years. Am I still eligible to apply?

If you believe that you meet all other criteria and have a suitable profile, you may still apply and your application might be considered on an exceptional basis. However, those who fulfill all application requirements will be prioritised.

<b>PROGRAMME</b>	<b>Pre-event phase</b> <b>Do I need to prepare anything before the journey?</b>	The ARC6 Students' Forum integrates an online-based preparatory phase where you will join a crash-course on policy development as well as partake in individual and group tasks. The online preparatory phase will gear you for an idea-stimulating time on-site in the Merlion City!
	<b>On-site phase</b>	Please refer to the <a href="#">Open Call</a> and draft <a href="#">Programme</a> .
	<b>Post-event phase</b> <b>Are there any commitments after the project?</b>	Some participants from ARC6 are engaged in various capacities including but not limited to:  <b>a) 6<sup>th</sup> ASEF Rectors' Conference</b>  4 participants will be selected to present the policy recommendations to the rectors at the subsequent ARC6 Rectors' Conference which is held back to back with the Students' Forum.  <b>b) 6<sup>th</sup> ASEM Education Ministers' Meeting (ASEM ME6)</b>  Up to 4 participants shall have the opportunity to present the policy recommendations to the Education Ministers and their Delegations at ASEM ME6 in November in Seoul, Korea.  <b>c) Alumni-led initiatives</b>  There will be a plethora of opportunities to build networks with the broader ASEF community and have synergies among different student associations across Asia and Europe.  We always strive to understand the impact of our projects and may get in touch with former participants to conduct an impact assessment.
<b>FEES</b>	<b>Is there a participation fee?</b>	There are no participation/registration fees for ARC6 Students' Forum.
<b>LODGING &amp; MEALS</b>	<b>Does ASEF provide accommodation during the event?</b>	Organisers will provide accommodation for the participants who are travelling from abroad.
	<b>How about food?</b>	Meals will be provided to all participants during the conference as indicated in the programme.
	<b>I have special dietary requirements, will this be an issue?</b>	For participants who have special dietary requirements, organisers will make arrangements as much as possible to adjust the meals accordingly.

**TRAVEL, VISA  
& INSURANCE**

**What about the travel cost?**

We will provide a travel subsidy from your country of residence to the starting point to Singapore and back. The subsidy could also cover local transportation (home-airport-home).

The amount will be announced to the selected participants in the confirmation letter.

**How about visa fees and insurance?**

Yes, insurance and visa fee (if applicable) would be covered under the capped subsidy.

**Can I receive a support letter for the visa?**

Of course, we will issue a visa support letter to those who require it.

**Can I receive a support letter to submit to my university?**

Yes, upon your request we can issue a letter to be given to the university.

**QUERIES &  
APPLY**

More questions spinning in your mind?  
Drop us an email at: [arc@asef.org](mailto:arc@asef.org)

If everything is clear, then you are ready to **apply!**

**BALANCE SCALES  
& TANGRAM**

“Balance scales – used in law to represent fair and balanced consideration of issues.

No matter what form their question takes, participants will find practical, measured and balanced answers in this document.”

The design combines 2 components: measuring tools as used across various academic disciplines and tangram puzzle pieces. The measuring tools portray methodical calculations while the tangrams portray creativity and disruption.

The contrasting use of these elements depicts two divergent views of quality education: 1) that quality education can be measured through fixed parameters, and 2) that quality education is a process with outcomes that go beyond mere assessment tools.

Historically, tangrams were invented in China and then taken to Europe by sea voyagers in the early 19<sup>th</sup> century. This resonates with the role of ARC in promoting intellectual, people-to-people exchanges between Asia and Europe.