

# PERSPECTIVES 2030 ONLINE ACADEMY 2022

## CALL FOR APPLICATIONS



“Make your voice be heard”

The OSCE Perspectives 2030 Online Academy is an online program that aims to display the contributions that young women and men are making to the OSCE’s efforts to advance peace and security, as well as to increase the visibility of the OSCE’s work among young people.

It is an initiative of the Office of the OSCE Secretary General, in partnership with the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, the OSCE Academy in Bishkek and the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung Regional Office for Cooperation and Peace in Europe.

The programme is part of the OSCE “Perspectives 2030” initiative, launched in 2019 during the Slovak Chairmanship to promote inclusion of youth voices into OSCE security debates.

### Objectives

- 1 Increase the visibility of the contribution of youth to security in the OSCE region;
- 2 Amplify youth voices to promote a secure present and future;
- 3 Promote exchange and co-operation among youth in the region;
- 4 Connect young women and men to senior decision makers.

### How would you benefit from the programme?

- ✓ Learn about OSCE: its history and the role it plays in ensuring peace and security in the region;
- ✓ Build their skills to craft and deliver policy messages to decision-makers, by better understanding of strategic communication and policy communication techniques;
- ✓ Strengthen skills to mainstreaming gender in their work and messaging;
- ✓ Develop recommendations for a safer future in the OSCE region based on your knowledge and on the ground experience.
- ✓ Certificate: Participants having actively engaged in at least 80% of the sessions will receive certificates upon successful completion of the programme.
- ✓ Publication of group policy briefs on the OSCE Perspectives 2030 Initiative [webpage](#).

## What are the thematic areas of work?

The Academy's research topics are drawn from the OSCE "Perspectives 2030" initiative paper on "Engaging Youth for a Safer Future".

## How does the programme work?

### 3 Online Sessions

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(sessions will take place at 9h30-16h30, on Zoom)

#### **28- 29 April 2022 (full day)**

- Introduction to the OSCE, including the work of the Permanent Council, the work of OSCE Institutions and Field Operations, and policy-making at the OSCE.
- Introduction to strategic policy advice: evidence based policy advocacy and gender and diversity policy analysis. Group work on policy papers.

#### **19-20 May 2022 (full day)**

- Craft your messages: workshops on political and messaging, as well as effective gender-sensitive messaging.
- Strategic communication: workshops on advocacy campaigning and social media, shaping your messages towards decision-makers, develop your advocacy campaign.

#### **15-16 September 2022 (full day)**

- Make your voice be heard: MOC exercises and presentation of your recommendations and papers to OSCE decision makers.

### Group work and assignments

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The 25 selected students will work in 5 thematic groups of 5 participants each, and they will be asked to submit:

- 1 An outline of the group policy briefs by 16 May.
- 2 Advanced draft of the policy briefs by 26 June.
- 3 Final policy briefs and respective communication strategy plan by 31 July.

Throughout the programme, participants are expected to autonomously meet online and work on their projects with their respective team, in order to meet deadlines as outlines above. They will be guided by a mentor identified among OSCE staff and partners.

Cost: Participation in the Academy is free of charge.

## Interested in joining us? Check out the selection criteria!

- ✓ Nationality of one of the 57 OSCE participating States.
- ✓ Age 18 to 30.
- ✓ Members of youth and youth-led organizations, or students associations and other grassroots groups, as well as youth engaged in local communities and/or members of youth regional networks.
- ✓ Candidates should demonstrate that their work will greatly benefit from the participation to the P2030 Online Academy.
- ✓ Fluency in spoken English and very good drafting skills.
- ✓ Availability to invest time in the project and to participate in the online sessions.

Interested and eligible? Submit the application form and your curriculum vitae via the following link: <https://p2030.wufoo.com/forms/mlg1raym0vdotnc/>

Deadline is **Sunday 6th March 2022**.

Due to the high number of applications, selection results will be communicated by Monday 4th April 2022 only to selected candidates.

The selection of participants will be based on a transparent and impartial process, guided by the principle of gender equality and a wide geographical representation of OSCE participating States.