

Call for scholarship applications

We would like to inform you that a new **call for scholarship applications for study, research/artistic and lecture stays** in the academic year 2023/2024 has been published as part of the National Scholarship Program of the Slovak Republic to support mobility.

The deadline for submitting applications is April 30, 2023 until 4:00 p.m., while stays will be possible within the academic year 2023/2024. Scholarship applications can currently be submitted online at www.stipendia.sk, or www.scholarships.sk.

The selection results will be published on our website (www.stipendia.sk/sk/main/vysledky-vyberovych-konani), no later than 8 weeks after the end of the program; all scholarship applicants will be informed of the selection results by e-mail. Universities will gradually be provided with lists of scholarship holders, addressed to the vice-chancellor for foreign affairs.

Scholarships are intended for students and doctoral students of Slovak universities (even if the doctoral studies are carried out at an external educational institution in accordance with the Act on Higher Education, e.g. at SAS) and **postdoctoral students** working at Slovak universities and research organizations with permanent residence in Slovakia to cover living expenses for a study and/or research/artistic stay during the 2nd stage of higher education (master's/engineering/doctoral studies), study and/or research/artistic stay during doctoral studies or for a research stay for postdoctoral students at a selected foreign university, respectively research organization. Basic information about the program can be found in the attached flyer at the link below. Applicants can obtain detailed information about the program on the program's official website www.stipendia.sk, or www.scholarships.sk.

Students, doctoral students and post-doctoral students can apply for a travel grant in connection with their planned study and/or research/art stay abroad together with the application for a scholarship within the NŠP.

The national scholarship program of the Slovak Republic is also intended to support the mobility of foreign students, doctoral students, university teachers, research and artistic workers for stays at Slovak universities and research organizations. Citizens of any country in the world can apply for the scholarship.

In case of questions regarding the National Scholarship Program, you can also contact the administrators of this program directly:

Kristína Sallerová (nsp-sk@saia.sk), scholarship applicants with permanent residence in Slovakia;

Ondrej Aradský (nsp-foreign@saia.sk), applicants (university teacher/researcher) for a scholarship from abroad;

Silvia Lipovská (nsp-foreign2@saia.sk), applicants (student, doctoral candidate) for a scholarship from abroad.

The National Scholarship Program (NŠP) is a scholarship program, the creation of which was approved by the Government of the Slovak Republic by resolution no. 557 of July 13, 2005. The Government of the Slovak Republic decided on the continuation of the NŠP by resolution no. 317 of April 29, 2009. The scholarship program is financed by the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic from the state budget of the Slovak Republic and from the resources of the European Union from the NextGenerationEU mechanism within the Investment: "Support of internationalization in the academic environment" Component: "Attraction and retention talents" of the Recovery and Resilience Plan of the Slovak Republic. SAIA, n. o., administratively ensures the National Scholarship Program on the basis of the contract concluded between the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic and SAIA, n. about. NŠP scholars are scholars of the Government of the Slovak Republic.

The next deadline, which will take place on October 31, 2023, will focus on stays during the summer semester of the 2023/2024 academic year.

Please note that on the occasion of the opening of the call, two webinars will be organized aimed at preparing a scholarship application within the framework of the National Scholarship Program of the Slovak Republic. The first webinar will be intended for Slovakian interested parties and will take place tomorrow **22 March 2023 at 14:00** (www.saia.sk/sk/main/aktuality/podujatia/nsp-krok-za-krokom-k-uspesnej-ziadosti). The second webinar will be intended for foreign applicants, and will be held **on Saturday 1 April 2023 at 1:00 p.m.** (www.saia.sk/en/main/news/news/webinar-study-and-research-scholarships-to-slovakia | www.facebook.com/events/649168840550395 | www.instagram.com/p/CqDI6GCqYzz). The webinar for foreign interested parties will be in English.

At the following link, you can find NŠP flyers and a graphic announcement about the call and webinar in Slovak and English:

https://saiaslovakia-my.sharepoint.com/:f/g/person/ondrej_aradsky_saia_sk/EkRYBy4mn2dPicYaEhc-jW4Bfi2IX_TlyN8jEyRtEkcxSw?e=EsaKat