

German-Central Eastern European Programme Climate- and Energy Policy Bursary 2024

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Non-profit Association

The German non-profit organization IJP (International Journalists' Programmes) would like to announce its seventh fellowship for journalists interested in reporting in the field of climate and energy. The bursary offers this opportunity for **up to ten journalists** from

Germany, Croatia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Slovenia, Slovakia

with a passion for climate and energy topics.

Purpose of the Programme

IJP is a non-profit organization offering journalist exchange programmes between Germany and more than 40 other countries and regions. The purpose of these exchanges is to allow participating journalists to experience their host countries from a correspondent's perspective, exchange knowledge and deepen their network while working in and reporting on a foreign country.

Journalists, who are granted the climate & energy bursary, will receive a deeper and more detailed insight into the field as well as their host region and get the opportunity to work and specialize topically and internationally alike. They are also welcome to pursue transnational research on a common topic during their fellowship.

The Grant

The scholarship programme starts with a thematic introductory conference (presumably mid-October 2024). Subsequently, the participating journalists will begin their stay at their respective journalistic host organizations. Journalists from Germany will stay at a host media in one of the above-mentioned countries for the time of the scholarship while the Central Eastern European journalists will spend their time in a media house in Germany. These media are selected by IJP in consultation with the fellows. While being embedded partly in the workflow of the host media, the scholars will work on their own journalistic projects and mainly report for media in their home country. During the 6 to 8 weeks of the stay, the journalists will get to know their host country and the local media landscape better, establish contacts to local journalists and deepen their knowledge about climate and energy issues.

The programme concludes with a final meeting (presumably mid-December 2024).

After the exchange, we encourage participants to stay in touch with each other through the IJP alumni network through which they will have the chance to meet many of IJP's former scholars in Germany and more than 40 other countries.

Each fellow will receive a stipend of **3.800 Euro** to help cover part of the travel costs, accommodation and personal expenses during his or her stay. Participants must cover any additional costs.

Application

The application is open to any journalist from the above-mentioned countries, working for any print, radio, online or TV media (employed or freelancer). Fluency in German or one of the other countries' official languages is **not** expected, though helpful for the successful application. At least workable knowledge of English is essential.

Applications should include:

- CV (in English)
- letter of motivation
- letter of recommendation by an editor or supervisor, supporting the application
- four written samples of work (TV and radio journalists are asked to send a comprehensive list of contributions, if possible including links)
- scholars from Germany should select three media and countries they would like to stay and journalists from the other countries should come up with at least three possible host media in Germany they would be interested being located at.

The application deadline is **May 1st, 2024**.

Address of application

Please send your digital application (in ONE PDF document) to reuter@ijp.org and bomsdorf@ijp.org.

If you have any queries regarding the programme or your application, please contact Clemens Bomsdorf and/or Nicole Reuter.

The programme is organized in cooperation with the [European Climate Initiative \(EUKI\)](#) and [Clean Energy Wire \(CLEW\)](#).