



Young Cell Scheme

EU Scholarship Programme for Kosovo

Rules of Procedure

Round XVI



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I) Objectives and content of the Scheme

A) YCS Objectives and principles

The main objective of Young Cell Scheme (YCS) program is to contribute to build and enforce a professional, accountable, merit-based, and apolitical Civil Service at all levels in Kosovo. YCS supports Kosovo public administration through this specific scholarship program that aims at improving the professional capacity of civil servants to better service Kosovo citizens and to meet the challenges and the obligations arising from the Stabilisation and Association Agreement (SAA).

The specific purpose of Young Cell Scheme – Round XVI call for application is to support the Government of Kosovo (GoK) in generating a core group of civil servants in the fields identified as weak areas for the country. This Action aims to strengthen the Kosovar public administration by means of ensuring that the administrative gaps in the GoK are addressed by offering specialised higher education opportunities to young Kosovo citizens in EU countries in an inclusive approach. Awarded grantees, before and after the completion of their studies in EU universities, will be integrated within the governmental structures, based on their educational background, and with an aim to build a modern system of public administration that meets the demands of EU integration processes in general and of SAA in particular. At the same time, the Action assistance will contribute to poverty reduction through the enhancement of economic opportunities for the Kosovo population, including the most marginalized groups by promoting inter alia minority recruitment and representation in the civil service, the central and local administrations, and meeting the specific needs of all communities, with a specific focus on Roma, Ashkali and Egyptian groups.

The specific objectives of the Action will be met by an efficient, effective, transparent, non-politicised, and fair implementation of the YCS Rounds, conducted in the spirit of positive discrimination towards members of minority communities, women, and candidates with disabilities.

The YCS under Round XVI will select 37 Kosovo citizens who, after finishing their Master studies in EU universities, will be employed (or re-employed in case they are already employed in the civil service) as civil servants in the public administration and will be determined to drive and implement reforms in the public administration, in particular those required for the SAA



implementation. Most of the grantees will be awarded with one-year scholarships including: tuition fees, applications costs, visa, health insurance, one return travel, 4 installments for living allowances including: tuition fees, applications costs, visa, health insurance, one return travel at the end of their studies. Deviation of the aforementioned studying programme will be decided by the EU, GoK and implementing partners in justified cases.

The only differences between scholarships offered for civil servants and those for general public are related to:

- a) the tools used during the outreach campaign (the project will disseminate information about YCS Round XVI selections among civil servants using governmental social media, as well as the internal email system provided by the DMPO and organizing a dedicated open day in GoK premises).
- b) civil servants, once awarded a scholarship will not be required to attend an internship as other grantees, but they will continue to work in their old position until the planned departure for their master studies abroad;

On the other hand, Civil servants awarded with a scholarship will be obliged, as other non-civil servant grantees to attend all trainings required and organized by the YCS project and experts prior to departure (i.e. English, French if needed, etc.).

So, the overall objective of the Young Cell Scheme in Kosovo is to improve the professional capacity of the civil service to better serve Kosovo citizens and meet the obligations arising from the SAA. This general goal will be pursued through the completion of advanced academic training and education of, up to 35 years old, graduated or under-graduated but in their last year in a university in Kosovo students and civil servants, and their subsequent (re)integration into the Public Service for a minimum period of 3 consecutive years. The Action's specific objective is as follows: young women, men including from minorities are selected, study, and graduate from a master's program in the EU and then complete three years of work in the Kosovo Civil Service.

The scheme's Program includes:

- a) Active and compulsory participation to all language (or other) training activities that will be provided for the selected grantees by the YCS project and experts prior to their departure.



Up to 4 months internship within Kosovo's Public Administration (just for non-civil servants, as stated above civil servants' grantees will simply continue to work in their old position prior to their departure), to be completed in the period between, inductively, April 2026 to August 2026; GoK shall be responsible to place the grantees in public institutions for internship within (ten days) following the selection of the candidates and share the internship implementation decision with the YCS team, to monitor internship payment process. Internships will be paid on monthly basis, providing the public institutions' confirmation of internship completion of the specific month. The internship period is not mandatory for all scholars. Successful applicants who can demonstrate a minimum of four (4) months of experience will, upon assessment, be exempted from the internship requirement. Once the Program has been completed, the grantees have the obligation to start working or continue working (if he/she was already a civil servant prior the departure) in the Kosovo Public Administration for a minimum period of three consecutive years, thus using the expertise and education acquired during the completion of their master studies abroad.

The GoK shall employ the graduated YCS student through a regular employment contract as a civil servant upon his/her notification of completion of studies, in the terms and manners as specified in RXVI scholarship agreement, for a period of at least three (3) consecutive calendar years at the level of "Professional 1 or Specialist" in compliance with the applicable law on civil service in Kosovo. If the graduated YCS student is already a civil servant once he/she finishes his/her studies, he/she will be reintegrated in his/her old position or at least the same category as before but will also have the right to employ in the Civil Service at the level of "Professional 1 or Specialist" if the previous position was lower.

Prior to the departure of the selected candidates, they will be positioned in a public institution to complete an internship for a period of up to 4 months, based on a decision taken by the Department for Managing of Public Officials, in close consultation with the Development Cooperation Office, follow the same principles as in the case of the procedures foreseen for employment in the Regulation (MIA) No.04/2024 on the Beneficiaries of Scholarship Schemes in Civil Service (<https://gzk.rks-gov.net/ActDetail.aspx?ActID=97669>). The internship should be in line with his/her sector and, if possible, in line with the program of his/her master's degree, also taking into account where the professional expertise of the graduated YCS student may be needed. Upon completion of his/her studies, the Graduated YCS student will be integrated in a public institution



for a position following the same rules/provisions as the ones prior to their departure (with his/her sector and, if possible, in line with the program of his/her master's degree and taking into account where relevant his/her professional expertise.) following the procedures foreseen in the Regulation (MIA) No.04/2024.

The European Union Office in Kosovo will be following closely the employment of grantees in the Kosovo Civil Service, which will be reported on by the Development Cooperation Office (DCO) within the Office of the Prime Minister and the Department for Managing of Public Official (DMPO) within the Ministry of Internal Affairs. The Public Administration of Kosovo retains the right to employ the student within the 16 months following the completion of his/her program. During this period, however, the non-civil servant grantee will be entitled to take up employment also outside the Civil Service (i.e. in private sector) in case employment is not offered within the first 4 months after the completion of his/her studies. On the other hand, Kosovo institutions will reintegrate immediately the civil servant grantee in his/her old position upon his/her return from studies abroad.

The Project will make available to grantees details and specifications of the contractual relations with the Public Administration not later than two weeks after the completion of the selection procedure for Round XVI and in any case prior to the signature by the Grantees of the YCS Declaration of Understanding.

The Implementing Partner is responsible for the day-to-day management, interpretation, and application of these Rules of Procedure and the Code of Conduct. Successful applicants are contractually bound by the Code of Conduct annexed to their scholarship agreement, which governs communication discipline and professional behaviour throughout their participation in the Young Cell Scheme (YCS).

Upon successfully completing the selection process, grantees will be required to sign a Declaration of Understanding with the YCS project, encompassing the obligations outlined in the current Rules of Procedure and Code of Conduct. Additionally, upon issuance of a student visa (if required by the destination country), grantees will proceed to sign their scholarship agreement, delineating their rights and responsibilities throughout the scholarship duration. This Declaration of Understanding will also define specific disciplinary procedures applicable to grantees in the period leading up to their departure. Grantees failing to adhere to all obligations specified in the current



Rules of Procedure, the Code of Conduct, the Declaration of Understanding, or the Scholarship Agreement may face disciplinary consequences, including the **withdrawal or termination of the scholarship** in cases of serious non-compliance, following a decision taken by the Project Steering Committee (representatives from the European Union Office in Kosovo, Development Cooperation Office in the Office of the Prime Minister, Department for Managing of Public Officials within the Ministry of Internal Affairs, the Ministry of Education, Science, Technology and Innovation, and the Implementing Partner).

Decisions of the Steering Committee regarding withdrawal or termination constitute programme-level determinations and not administrative acts under national public law. Written notification issued through official YCS communication channels shall constitute valid and sufficient communication of such decisions. Upon notification of withdrawal or termination, the individual immediately ceases to hold any status as applicant, candidate, grantee, or beneficiary of the Young Cell Scheme. No suspended, frozen, or interim status exists unless explicitly provided in writing by the Steering Committee.

When the scholarship contract is signed by all parties the grantee will receive relevant guidelines in order to obtain the first installment of living expenses. Travel tickets will be booked by the YCS Programme directly. The tuition fees cannot exceed the amount of 16.000 €, (except on specific cases that would be decided by the steering committee) and will be paid straight to the destination university according to the installment defined by it. Regarding the above-mentioned payments, the grantee must submit:

- (a) For travel costs grantees must supply ticket purchase invoice, (payment or credit card charging) transaction receipt and boarding cards (scanned or web check in);
- (b) For all other costs must supply receipt/invoices and (in case of credit card payment) the transaction receipt.

To ensure the full success of Round XVI, the Implementing partner will inform regularly the GoK and EU Office in Kosovo on the developments, so they will follow closely all the phases of the scholarship project:

- a) The regular evaluation and assessment of grantees' progress and compliance with their obligations during the period prior to the departure abroad;



- b) The quality and accuracy of training delivered to awarded grantees;
- c) The identification and assessment of non-civil servants grantees' strengths and weaknesses when defining future positions in Kosovo Public Administration;
- d) The position held by civil servants' grantees in Kosovo Public Administration and the possibility to raise their employment grade after the completion of studies;
- e) The selection process will prioritize the needs-based selection of young graduates and professionals. Affirmative measures, including positive discrimination of 5%, will be implemented to ensure opportunities for minorities, particularly Roma, Ashkali, and Egyptian graduates, as well as women and individuals with disabilities. Additionally, efforts will be made to mobilize suitable and motivated civil servants in the selection process;
- f) The Selection Process will abide to 3 fundamental principles: transparency, fairness, and nondiscrimination.

Transparency is to be understood by the fact that each stage of the selection process will be publicly advertised at the same time for all applicants, and the same information will be provided to everybody. Moreover, transparency will be ensured through the communication campaign to publicize scholarships, continuous online publication of all relevant documentation, including of selection decisions, as well as through extensive use of email with both applicants and potential applicants registering on the Scholarships' website. Transparency will also be achieved via information posted on social media and by reinforcing the opportunity given to students to review their personal files at the end of selections. The list of candidates and their ranking will also be published using the protocol number of their application on www.yckosovo.org and <https://kryeministri.rks-gov.net/>. Thus, all applicants, including those not short-listed or selected for the further stages, will be able to witness in detail the development of each stage of the selection procedure. Upon their requests, applicants will be allowed to view their own exam papers, and, where applicable, the outcome of their interviews after the results have been made public. The final minutes of the interviews stage will also be published on the project's official website <http://www.yckosovo.org>.



Fairness is to be understood by the fact that any candidate attempting in any way or form to influence or mislead the selection process in his/her favor will be disqualified and immediately removed from the selection (i.e. including selected reserves, who will try to influence in a direct or indirect manner taken decisions). Attempts in this sense include, though not exclusively, phone calls, emails or any other form of direct contact with the YCS project and its experts or with other individuals officially involved in the selection process in order to try to influence the outcome of the selections (i.e. invigilators during written exams, experts during interviews or the YCS team). Any candidate attempting to copy or use non-allowed materials during the written exams will be asked to leave and will be immediately removed from the selection (a detailed set of rules governing written exams will be prepared in due course by the project and presented to all candidates admitted sitting written tests). Written exams will be code-numbered, to ensure anonymity of applicants, and they will be corrected using optical marker reading technology by an independent professional service of an EU Member State with a proven track record of similar activities for public and private selections in the recent past. Candidates will not be allowed to write their names on any exam paper or mark them in any way that may lead to the identification of the candidate, subject to their exclusion from the selection. Written exam papers will be kept absolutely confidential and secured in a safe place until the day of the exams and accessible only to the YCS project team (nor GoK nor EUO representatives will be allowed to get access to these forms). The reading material will be published in advance of the exams in order for the candidates to get prepared for the written exams. Any threats of any form or attempt to influence decision moved directly or indirectly to the YCS project team or to any of the individuals involved in the selection process (in any stage of it: pre-selection, written exams, interviews, final ranking) will also be reported immediately to the competent authorities, where and if such threats represent a criminal offence. In addition, any direct or indirect (i.e. through third persons not directly involved in the selection process) attempt to influence the decisions and the independence of YCS project team, interview panel or other professionals and experts involved in the selection procedure will cause the immediate disqualification of the candidate. This includes any kind of political influence as well and/or attempt to use third parties to influence final decisions about awarded grantees. Any attempt of political interference during all stages of the selection procedure will be reported immediately to GoK, EUO and other competent authorities.



Non-discrimination - a targeted outreach campaign specifically aims to attract minorities, with a particular emphasis on Roma, Ashkali, and Egyptian groups. In cases where candidates are equally qualified (i.e., achieving the same final score), preference will be given to women, members of minorities, and candidates with disabilities. This prioritization is intended to ensure a balanced outcome in the competition. Individuals with disabilities are kindly requested to communicate their needs on the Scholarship Application Form, enabling the YCS project team to take necessary measures to facilitate access to exam premises and ensure equal conditions, thereby enhancing their chances of success in the selections.

A.1 Legal Nature of the Scholarship

The Young Cell Scheme (YCS) scholarship constitutes a **conditional programme benefit** and does **not** create an acquired, vested, or permanent right.

Award of a scholarship is strictly subject to the continuous fulfilment of all eligibility criteria, programme rules, enrolment requirements, and standards of conduct, as defined in these Rules of Procedure, the Code of Conduct, the Declaration of Understanding, and the Scholarship Agreement.

Failure to comply with any of these conditions may result in withdrawal or termination of the scholarship without entitlement to compensation, deferral, or continuation.

A.2 Autonomy of Selection Rounds

Each YCS round constitutes a **separate and autonomous call for applications**, with its own eligibility criteria, budgetary allocation, selection process, and beneficiary pool.

As a general rule, no scholarship, ranking, application, or status from a previous round may be transferred, deferred, rolled over, or recognised in a subsequent round.

By way of exception, and solely at the discretion of the Steering Committee, the continuation or reallocation of a scholarship to a subsequent round **may be authorized in duly justified and documented cases**, where this is necessary to safeguard the effective implementation of the programme and does not undermine the principles of transparency, equal treatment, and competition.



Such authorization shall not constitute a precedent, shall not create any entitlement, and shall be subject to written approval by the Steering Committee.

B) Sectors of the Scholarship and number of scholarships

Under Round XVI of the YCS at least 37 scholarships will be awarded for specialization in different sectors which correspond with the groups of specialization in the Regulation (GRK) No. 06/2024 on the Classification of Jobs in Civil Service (<https://gzk.rks-gov.net/ActDetail.aspx?ActID=87458>). The aim is to ensure that the applicants will apply to pursue their postgraduate studies to become specialized in their field but at the same time will choose to apply for a sector where they intend to work, since the division of sectors serves as a basis for allocating positions for future civil servants. The sectors and the number of scholarships available have been defined by the Government of Kosovo, and they are the following:

- **European Integration and Policy Planning**– 14 scholarships
- **Law**– 8 scholarships
- **Economy**– 7 scholarships
- **Digitalisation**– 4 scholarships
- **Engineering**– 4 scholarships

This round is organised as a separate competition within each sector (i.e. each student will compete with other applicants only within the sector he applied for). Therefore, there will be separate rankings (one for each sector) and the scores for written exams and interviews will be considered for each sector separately. Nevertheless, these Rules of Procedure define a minimum threshold for English written test to be invited to sit the interviews for all sectors.

Thus, the final distribution of grantees between the 5 sectors will depend on the number of candidates and on their capacity to pass the tests and the English language threshold. If this English threshold (65%) will not be reached and/or if not enough suitable candidates will be available under each sector after the pre-selection phase, according to the number of received applications, the project reserves the right to redistribute the available scholarships between other sectors which have more candidates.



The precise definition of each sector, as well as the prerequisite degrees for applying for a specific sector, are detailed in Annex I to these Rules. Applicants are required to carefully read and understand Annex I before submitting their application to avoid disappointment at a later stage. Applicants without the specified academic background or an equivalent professional experience (where applicable and as specified in Annex I) for the sector they intend to compete in, will be rejected during the pre-selection stage (please see below, II.2.a, Pre-selection of applications).

Specialization of grantees in the above sectors will be achieved both in his/her Master Program and in his/her final Master paper or dissertation. This engagement will be included in the Scholarship agreement and will become legally binding upon grantees at the moment of signing the contract. That means the grantees will also have to share and to agree with the YCS Scholarship Program (and its stakeholders) the topic of their Master paper (final paper/thesis/final project).

Applicants must indicate in their YCS Application Form the sector they intend to apply for and make sure that sub-sectors they are interested to apply are listed in Annex I, if they are awarded with a scholarship. No changes of sector are allowed, and no other sub-sectors are possible unless they are listed in Annex I to these Rules. Applicants who do not indicate in the Application form their sector of choice will immediately be rejected at the Pre-selection stage.

Part for Selected Applicants

C) Choice of EU Universities in EU MSs

Grantees have in principle the opportunity to apply to master programs at their preferred EU universities in EU Member States as long as their choice is in line with available financial resources, sectors, eligible subsectors and requirements made by GoK. To support the candidates in their choices, the YCS project team with the Action Senior Expert will share a list of universities that offer relevant MA programs based on the relevance, the cost of the program and the quality of education provided.

Each applicant must apply to min. 2, max. 3 programs in, at least, two different EU universities in EU MSs and the final decision for their destination is taken only by the EUO and the GoK, under



the advice of the YCS project team, based on available budget, the professional orientation test results of the students and quality of received offers.

Definition of Eligible Universities

For the purposes of the Young Cell Scheme, an *eligible university* is defined as a higher education institution that:

- a) is **legally established and accredited in an EU Member State**, operates under the national higher education legal framework of that EU Member State, and
- b) awards a degree issued by an institution legally established and located in an EU Member State, **which is formally recognised by the academic and administrative systems of EU Member States as a qualification at Master's level (EQF Level 7 or equivalent)**.

Scholars are responsible for ensuring that the universities and study programmes they select award degrees that are officially recognized within the national higher education system of the country where the studies are undertaken, and that such degrees are duly accredited by the competent national authorities of both that country and the Republic of Kosovo. The following are **explicitly excluded** from eligibility:

- branch campuses, satellite campuses, or representative offices of non-EU universities, even if physically located in an EU Member State;
- transnational education programs, franchise degrees, or joint programs where the degree-awarding institution is legally established outside the EU;
- distance-learning or blended programs where the primary academic responsibility lies with a non-EU institution.

Compliance with this definition is mandatory and non-negotiable. Applications submitted to ineligible institutions shall not be considered, and any costs incurred shall not be reimbursed. Only if no application out of the initial three is successful, each grantee will be allowed to present one more application. In this manner it will be avoided the unlikable practice of the application to one additional country, based on grantees personal preferences rather than on academic and scientific considerations.



In case of conflict with the preferences given by the grantees, it is compulsory to study programmes that are advised by the YCS stakeholders. Grantees will be supported in the application process for advised Universities by the Action Senior Expert and the YCS project team, that will follow and advice each grantee during his application. The final decisions for each destination university will be taken by GoK and EUO jointly during a dedicated Project Steering Committee meeting.

Grantees enrolled in 12 months MA programs will be entitled to receive living allowances for the duration of 12 months. The amount will be determined based on the living cost in the EU country where the grantee is pursuing their studies and the associated MA program fees. The living costs for a specific EU country will have to be given to the stakeholders by the YCS Project team, in order to be able to decide on the scholarship. Scholarships awarded under the Young Cell Scheme are, as a general rule, intended for **Master's programmes with a duration of one (1) academic year, corresponding to two (2) academic semesters.** **By way of exception,** scholarships may be awarded for Master's programmes of **longer duration,** where, for the specific field of specialisation, the available and formally recognised programmes in EU Member States are predominantly or exclusively of longer duration, and subject to approval by the competent bodies of the Programme.

Grantees' final destination will be decided only by the EUO and the GoK upon advice from the Action Senior Expert and the YCS project team and the Professionals Orientation advise, following the criteria below (in order of importance for consideration):

- a) The Master Programs considered are in line with both contents of specialization sectors and sub-sectors – as defined in Annex I of these Rules - and grantees academic background;
- b) The academic value of the programs and the universities;
- c) The overall financial sustainability of the YCS Scholarship program;

In order to enforce the application of the principles of equal treatment, fairness and transparency, grantees who try to influence or lobby for the program of their preference in any way or manner, including external attempts of political or other nature made by third parties, will be subject to a disciplinary procedure that may lead to the withdrawal of the scholarship.

However, they might be considered only where and if they respect the definitions of sectors and sub-sectors in Annex I and if they are approved by the stakeholders. Potential applicants, after



reading Annex I to these Rules, and where they have a specific university and program in mind that fulfil the definition of their sector, are also invited to apply to such universities, as soon as possible, if the applications deadline would expire before the end of the selection process (this can be the case for some Nordic, Dutch, German and French universities). Applicants must note, however, that no reimbursement can be offered for costs engaged in applications to universities prior to the award of the YCS Scholarship.

An indicative list of universities will be provided to the successful candidates.

Any attempt by a grantee, directly or indirectly, to influence, pressure, or bypass the official decision-making procedures regarding university placement, scholarship conditions, or financial arrangements—including through repeated unsolicited communications, third-party interventions, or public complaints—shall constitute a breach of these Rules and may lead to disciplinary action, including withdrawal of the scholarship.

Personal Data Processing

Personal data of applicants and grantees are processed for the purposes of programme implementation, administration, compliance, audit, and related academic or institutional activities within the Young Cell Scheme framework. Inclusion in informational communications related to training, capacity-building, programme-relevant academic activities, or institutional initiatives shall be considered compatible processing. Personal data of individuals whose participation has been terminated shall be retained only to the extent required by applicable legal, financial, and audit obligations.

Finality of Decisions

Decisions of the Steering Committee are final within the framework of the Young Cell Scheme and are not subject to internal appeal unless explicitly foreseen in these Rules of Procedure.

II) Selection Schedule, Stages and Rules of Procedure

1. Indicative Timeline for Round XVI Schedule and Deadline for Application

a) **15 January – 8 February 2026** Pre notice of call for applications Round XVI – Short announcement of opening the call for applications for Round XVI published on social media



and on the official YCS website <https://yckosovo.org> (as well as on <https://kryeministri.rks-gov.net> and https://eeas.europa.eu/delegations/kosovo_en) and Alumni web site.

b) **9 February 2026** (Monday) Opening of the call for applications for Round XVI published on most important national media, selected news web-portals, radios, social media and on the official YCS website <https://yckosovo.org> (as well as on <https://kryeministri.rks-gov.net> and https://eeas.europa.eu/delegations/kosovo_en) and further disseminated via partner agencies.

Application package will be received by email upon personal registration at the official YCS website <https://yckosovo.org>

c) **9 March 2026** (Monday) @ 17h00: Deadline for the receipt of complete applications. Application documents in PDF format must be submitted online in compressed folder through (Zip Folder) the scholarship web site <https://yckosovo.org> or in case of technical difficulties, applications can be submitted in hard copies in a closed envelope in the office address below, no later than 17h00 on Monday, 9 March 2026. Applicants are advised not to wait until the last minute to submit their application while in case of any technical difficulties they should contact the office:

Young Cell Scheme Round XVI Applications

Str. Behije Dashi, No.14, 6th floor Aktash, Prishtina 10000 Kosovo

Tel. +38349444357

d) **9 – 11 March 2026** (Monday – Wednesday): pre-selection of applications/administrative check of the eligibility criteria of received applications and invitation to written exams for those that passed the eligibility check;

e) **13 March 2026** (Friday): The applicants who passed the pre-selection phase are invited to the written exams by email. Lists of applicants will be published online on the scholarship website <https://yckosovo.org> and on <https://kryeministri.rks-gov.net>

f) **21 – 22 March 2026** (Saturday and Sunday): The pre-selected candidates will take written exams. They will be divided in two groups according to alphabetical order, the first group will take written exams on 21 March 2026 and the other group of candidates on 22 March 2026.



g) **26 March 2026** (Thursday): Publication online of the results of written exams and invitation to the interviews for up to 74 candidates (who will be divided in the 5 different sectors as explained below), on the scholarship website <https://yckosovo.org> and on GoK website <https://kryeministri.rks-gov.net>

The Project Steering Committee retains the right to lower or higher the overall number of applicants invited to sit interviews according to the overall results of written tests (56-74 candidates).

h) **31 March – 3 April 2026** (Tuesday to Friday): Interviews made by a panel constituted by 5 EU Academics.

i) **7 April 2026** (Tuesday): Publication of the final ranking of RXVI selection procedure divided per sector and communication of the results to the selected YCS Round XVI grantees on the scholarship website <https://yckosovo.org> and on GoK website <https://kryeministri.rks-gov.net>.

The selection will be carried out in 3 stages:

- a) Pre-Selection of applications
- b) Written exams (English Language Knowledge Test, EU General Knowledge Test and Verbal & Numerical Reasoning Test)
- c) Interviews

- a) Pre-selection of applications (Eligibility of Applicants and Applications)

The initial pre-selection of applications aims to verify that applicants meet the eligibility criteria of the scholarship and that their applications are complete in all required parts. **This technical and administrative pre-selection shall be conducted exclusively by the YCS Project Team**, in accordance with these Rules of Procedure.

Following the completion of the pre-selection, the YCS Project Team shall compile a consolidated list of all applicants, indicating their eligibility status and the outcome of the administrative check. This list shall be shared with the **Government of Kosovo (GoK) and the EU Office (EUO)** for



the purposes of **confirmation and clarification of eligibility matters**, where necessary, prior to the final validation of candidates invited to the written exams.

Only applicants who fulfil all eligibility and completeness criteria, as confirmed through this process, shall be invited to participate in the written exams.

Candidates are pre-selected based on the eligibility criteria, indicated below and in the Call for application. The applications from non-eligible candidates and/or incomplete applications will be rejected (NB: this may also include applications that have not been signed by the applicant).

Eligible applicants are:

- a) Kosovo's citizens with a valid Kosovo passport or ID card issued by Kosovo. In the absence of ID card or passport during application phase, birth certificate with citizenship certificate may be accepted.
- b) University graduates holding a bachelor's degree in one of the areas of study pertaining to the sectors (please refer to Annex I to these Rules).
- c) Fluent in English and Albanian or Serbian.
- d) Available to travel and to move abroad from August 2026 to October 2026, and to undergo intensive English language training from April 2026 onwards.
- e) Born on 1 January 1991 or later.

NB: previous YCS grantees who have benefited from funding and already attended a Master program abroad are not eligible to re-apply to the scheme, as well as candidates who already obtained a master's degree in EU countries and worldwide or already benefited from similar scholarships awarded by other donors in Kosovo.

Complete applications are composed of:

- a) YCS Round XVI Application Form, in English, completed and signed, with a valid email address. Communication with applicants will be conducted only and exclusively through email;
- b) Europass CV, in English (the project will provide all applicants with an updated Europass



CV template and related instructions within the application package they will receive by email);

- c) Letter of Motivation, in English, signed and dated;
- d) Copies of valid Kosovo ID and/or passport or original proof of birth in Kosovo (or certified copies of such proofs).

NB: originals or certified copies of both birth certificate and residence certificate must be enclosed with the application where any form of Kosovo ID is not available;

- e) Copy of University degree of at least 180 ECTS plus Original Transcripts of exams (signed and stamped by the University). BOTH documents MUST be enclosed with the application form. We draw the attention of the applicants that Transcripts MUST be in original, signed and stamped by the University. Undergraduate applicants MUST enclose with their application original transcripts (or a similar certificate) from current academic year (i.e., 2026 academic year) with the list of exams already passed and those still to pass plus a signed statement by the applicant with the indication of the date by when the applicant expects to complete the degree (in any case not later than 31 July 2026 as specified above). In case original transcripts cannot be enclosed with the application, it is possible to enclose a certified copy of transcripts (see paragraph below). NB: Undergraduate applicants must read and fully understand the paragraph “Undergraduate applicants” above in these rules of procedures to avoid mistakes and disappointment at a later stage.

Certified copies of documents are those copies whose conformity to the original document has been notarized by a notary.

Applicants who, at the end of the selection process, are awarded a Young Cell Scheme (YCS) scholarship shall be required to ensure that their academic degrees are duly recognised in accordance with the applicable legislation of the Republic of Kosovo.

Graduates from foreign universities must legalise their degrees at the Ministry of Education of Kosovo, as required by Kosovo Civil Service legislation.



Graduates from higher education institutions in Kosovo must ensure that their degrees are issued by accredited institutions and are recognised under the national higher education framework.

Compliance with the applicable degree recognition and legalisation requirements shall be mandatory for all Round XVI grantees. A checklist is included for the applicants' convenience in the YCS Round XVI 2026 Application Form. Please make sure to have included all demanded documents to avoid disappointment and exclusion by failing to include required documents or for presenting them in the incorrect form (e.g., a CV or a Letter of Motivation not in English, or a YCS Round XVI 2026 Application Form that has not been filled-in or signed, etc.). No applicants, under any circumstances, will be allowed to complete an incomplete application after submission (however, the YCS project team, in agreement with EUO and GoK, may demand applicants to complete their applications at a later stage if the missing documents are not of substantial nature). Applications submitted after the deadline will not be accepted under any circumstances, while incomplete applications at this stage will be rejected.

The complete applications from eligible candidates are formally accepted and the applicant is invited to sit the written exams.

If not, enough suitable applications are found within each sector, as defined by the call for applications, then EUO and GoK, may decide to accordingly reduce the number of available scholarships so that at least a ratio of 2 applications for every scholarship awarded is kept.

b) Written exams

The written tests consist of multiple-choice questionnaires on:

- 1) Knowledge of English Language;
- 2) EU General Knowledge test;
- 3) Verbal and Numerical Reasoning (VNR);

Anonymity of applicants will be ensured by numerical codes given to each applicant on the day of written exam to be written in the answer sheets. Overall, the written exams account for up to 50% (or 50 points) of the total maximum score of the scholarship's selections (100 points).

The "Knowledge of English Language" test aims at ascertaining the level of English knowledge of candidates. However, the test does not count towards the final ranking of candidates (i.e., it does



not accumulate points towards the final ranking). This test is an “in or out” threshold exam. This means that applicants are required to pass the 65% threshold of correct answers, in order the results of the other 2 written tests to be considered.

The other two components of the written exam count respectively 20 points (for EU General Knowledge test), and 30 points (for Verbal & Numerical Reasoning test), meaning that the total score for the written test is 50 points. Hence, a cumulative total of maximum 50 points is awarded for the written exams.

The candidates will be then invited to interviews as per their ranking within each sector according with the ratio of 2 (two) candidates invited for each available scholarship.

The three different written tests will take place on the same day.

Before entering the examination rooms all candidates must prove their identity and be checked against an accredited list, and sign for their admission while their presence is validated by a member of the YCS project team.

Upon admission to the examination room candidates will be asked to leave personal belongings (e.g. coats, mobile phones – turned off, electronic equipment, bags etc.) at a designated point in the room.

TOTAL silence is demanded from the candidates.

Once the examination has commenced any candidate who has a question must raise his/her hand and wait for an invigilator to respond to his/her needs. Candidates requiring the use of restrooms will be accompanied by the same gender member of staff.

Upon completion of their tests, candidates can leave the examination hall with the exception that he/she is obliged to wait in the hall in case there is only one candidate left.

As mentioned earlier, any candidate contravening the rules of the written exams (i.e. caught talking, copying or cheating in any form) will be asked to leave the room and have his/her papers marked “expelled”.

We stress that the written exams will last the whole day (from 9am ca. to 5pm ca. with one hour break for lunch), so we strongly advise all candidates to take at least some water with them during both sessions – morning and afternoon). Water will not be provided by YCS invigilators and staff.



1) Knowledge of English Language

The English Language Test aims at ascertaining at least a strong upper-intermediated level of English, as such defined by the IELTS and TOEFL examining and scoring protocols that will be used as guidelines for the test. This test is therefore foreseen as determining the candidate's level of English and his/her overall suitability of joining the program.

The English tests will be composed of 3 different sections:

- a) Listening comprehension;
- b) Reading comprehension;
- c) Grammar tests.

Each section will take 45 mins to sit.

As anticipated above, to be admitted to sitting interviews and getting their scores in other two written tests (i.e. EUGK and VNR) candidates must score at least an average of 65% of the possible correct answers in the 3 combined English tests (this score is equivalent to a IELTS Band of 5.5). Any candidates with less than 65% of the possible correct answers in the English Language tests will be eliminated at this stage, unless not enough suitable candidates are to be found within this threshold. In such a case, those candidates with at least 55% of the possible correct answers (equivalent to an IELTS Band between 5 and 5.5) might be conditionally considered, upon the obligation to follow intensive English training in the case they were to be eventually awarded scholarship, with no more than 10% of missed classes allowed (instead of 20% applied to YCS grantees with 65% correct answers that are attending English training). These candidates would therefore receive, should they pass the interviews and be awarded a scholarship, a “conditional scholarship”, which may be withdrawn should the candidate not respect his/her obligations in terms of English training attendance.

On the other hand, if not enough suitable candidates are found within one of the four individual sectors, as indicated in the call for application, then candidates invited to the interviews may be recruited from the other lists, according to the needs of the GoK. In that case, the decisions will be taken based only on data which doesn't reveal any personal data of the candidates.



If enough suitable candidates are through at this stage, minimum 74 candidates will be invited to the third and final selection stage, the interviews (meaning that if there is more than one candidate in a sector with the same valid score to be invited for interviews at the last available place, he/she will be invited as well). The ratio for the interviews is approximately 2 invited applicants for each available scholarship, i.e. two interviewees for each available scholarship. This means that applicants will be invited to interviews up to twice the number of available scholarships for each sector.

If not enough candidates are available, this ratio will be lowered to 1,5 invited applicants for each available scholarship.

2) EU General Knowledge test (EUGK)

The EU General Knowledge test will be composed of 80 multiple-choice questions (each question will have 4 possible replies, only one is the correct one).

The duration of this written test is maximum 1h30min. Each question is worth 0.25 points and the maximum score in the written test on EU is 20 points. This test must be taken by all candidates.

3) Verbal and Numerical Reasoning (VNR)

The Verbal & Numerical Reasoning test will be composed of 40 multiple-choice questions. The duration of this test is maximum 1h45min. Each question is worth 0.75 points and the maximum score in the Verbal & Numerical Reasoning test is 30. This test must be taken by all candidates.

The Verbal & Numerical Reasoning test, proposed to candidates only in English language, requires applicants to read and understand up to 8 short paragraphs and 5 tables and/or diagrams with numerical data. For each paragraph, table and/or diagram applicants have then to answer 3 to 4 multiple-choice questions related to the contents of that specific paragraph, table or diagram and demanding from them to elaborate and work with the information or the data contained in the specific paragraph in order to find the right answers. The use of calculator will not be allowed for the test as the numerical operations required to answer the questions will be of an elementary nature.



c) Interviews

As mentioned above, minimum 56 candidates and maximum 74 candidates will be invited to the third and final selection stage, the interviews (meaning that if there is more than one candidate in a sector with the same valid score to be invited for interviews at the last available place he/she will be invited as well). The number of invited candidates is based on the ratio for the interviews: 2 invited applicants for each available scholarship, i.e. two interviewees for each available scholarship (which may be lowered to 1.5 as already explained above).

Interviews will be conducted by a panel composed of an odd number of members (i.e. 5 EU academic experts from prominent EU universities that will be as much related with the relevant sectors); 2 more members representing the EU Office in Kosovo and the Government of Kosovo might attend the interviews as observers without scoring the candidates. YCS project team will assist the interview panel during all stages of the interviews.

Prior to each interview, panel members and observers will review the CV and the Motivation Letter enclosed with the application of the candidate.

The interviews will last for no more than 30 minutes for each candidate, and they will consist of:

- 5 minutes close door review by each panel member of applicant's file (CV, letter of motivation, transcripts and diploma),
- 5 minutes presentation in English and a 15 minutes interview in English on the candidate's background and motivation,
- and 5 minutes close door evaluation and discussion for the individual scoring of each candidate at the end of his interview.

Even if specified in his/her CV or motivation letter, knowledge of additional EU languages will not be considered as an asset and will not be evaluated by the panel in additional/separate scoring given to the candidate.

As specified above, each interview will be divided in three phases:

1. Review of the CV, motivation letter, transcripts and diploma (up to 5 min.)



During this phase and before the candidate enters the interview room, the five (5) members of the panel will consider the following elements and academic indicators to score the candidate:

- a) consistency of the CV with proposed sectors and sub-sectors (if they possess a diploma, publications, research work etc) 3 points;
- b) overall quality of the CV;(participation in seminars, relevant research, work experience, volunteer work) 3 points;
- c) level of motivation to attend the program and professional career prospects (if any) highlighted in the letter of motivation,1 point;
- d) academic results and performance of the candidate (based on copy of transcripts included in their application), 2 points;
- e) clarity, consistency, and relevance of the motivation letter to the scope of the program, 1 point.

If any candidate attempts to introduce and present to the panel additional materials (transcripts or other) at this stage, he/she will be immediately disqualified and excluded from the competition (i.e. no late delivery of missing documents is possible at this stage).

2. Presentations made by each candidate (up to 5 min.)

The scope of this part of the interviews is to test the presentation and interpersonal skills of the candidates. Applicants invited to the interviews MUST prepare an oral presentation (no PPT or other media or physical supports allowed) linked to public policy making in Kosovo and/or to the process of EU integration of the country. Once invited to the interviews, the candidates will receive a detailed list of issues that need to be addressed in their presentation. If no presentation is prepared or if the presentation is not in line with the above or too general, the panel will interrupt the interview and invite the candidate to leave the room, excluding him/her from the selection.

Presentation topics related to public policy making or EU integration of Kosovo, must in addition be a subject within the specific sector where the candidate competes. Candidates who present a topic not related to their sector will be scored 0 on this part of the interview and therefore eliminated from the selection, no matter their presentation skills.



3. Interviews (up to 15 min)

The scope of this part of the interview is to assess the EU general knowledge of the candidate about some general cultural knowledge and some specific issues related to the sector he/she applied for. Possible questions will refer alternatively to several of the following topics (depending also on the sector each candidate applied for):

- a) EU integration process of Kosovo;
- b) EU policies and/or juridical principles governing EU action;
- c) EU Economic policy and challenges;
- d) EU Energy Policy;
- e) EU action plan on integration and inclusion 2021-2027;
- f) EU Foreign and Security Policy;
- g) EU Digital Strategy;
- h) General knowledge on the area of interest;
- i) Knowledge related to public administration/civil service;
- j) Real motivation to attend the scheme and knowledge about the scopes of the program;
- k) Readiness to serve in civil service for three consecutive years after the completion of his/her master studies abroad;
- l) Professional career prospects if any and/or ideas about master studies to be enrolled within;
- m) Other academic indicators such as, but not exclusively, conciseness and clarity in expression, logical articulation of thoughts and capacity to tackle a multilevel interview.

4. Closed door evaluation (up to 5 min)

Candidates are scored once for the review of the CV and of the motivation letter, once for presentation contents and skills, and once for the results of the interview.

The scoring for each part will be the following:

up to 10 points maximum for CV and motivation letter;



- a) up to 20 points for their presentation;
- b) up to 20 points for the interview.

Maximum 50 points (or 50% of the final score) are awarded for the interviews by each member of the panel in their individual evaluation sheet as the sum of the three parts detailed above.

Each member of the panel will be asked to comment and justify the scores for each part as well as his/her final score in the individual evaluation sheet.

Anyone below 25.0 points (50% of total points for interviews) is considered not to have passed the interviews. The partial score for the interview counts for up to 50% of the final aggregate score.

Final scores given to each candidate are decided by consensus of panel members according to individual scores given in evaluation sheets. Where and if consensus amongst panel members cannot be reached the final mark of the candidate is calculated by making the mathematical average, without adding the highest and lowest marks.

The final consensus sheet must indicate clear comments and justifications to the overall score given by each member of the panel.

NB: According to the threshold set above for interviews (i.e. 25 points out of 50 max available) the minimum overall score to be awarded a scholarship is at least 50 points (i.e., 50% of the maximum score of 100).

A lower or higher threshold can be agreed jointly by interview panel members and by EUO and GoK representatives who will attend all phases of the interviews if the results will be lower or higher than expected.

d) Final Results

The final results of the selections will be made public within 3 working days from the end of the interviews stage. A specific ranking will be published for each of the three sectors, with indication of the exact number of grantees (as well as reserve lists) for each sector.

How to calculate the final score?

FINAL AGGREGATE SCORE: The selection of candidates will be made on the basis of points awarded in the written tests and in the interviews, on a 50/50% basis. This means:



The Pre-selection stage (eligibility of applicants and complete applications) simply provides admission to or rejection from the other 2 stages of the Selections, but does not award any points;

The score on the written tests (EU General knowledge and Verbal & Numerical Reasoning) counts for up to 50% of the final score. Preliminary, candidates must also score at least 65% of correct answers in the English test conceived as threshold to pass to the evaluation of other two tests;

The score on the interview counts for up to 50% of the final score.

In practice this means that, e.g., candidate Mr/Mrs XY in the Law Sector:

- a) Pre-selections: Mr/Mrs XY is eligible, and he/she has presented a complete application, therefore he/she has been invited to the written exams;
- b) Written tests: Mr/Mrs XY obtains 65% of correct answers for English test and thus her/his VNR and GK are evaluated. He/she scores 16 points in General Knowledge in the area of interest test out of 20 points available (i.e. he/she had 64 correct answers out of 80), and in the Verbal and Numerical Reasoning test he/she obtains 27,75 points out of 30 points available (37 correct answers out of 40);
- c) In the interview Mr/Mrs XY scores an average of 9 points out of 10 available for his/her CV and motivation letter, 15 points out of 20 available for the presentation, and 12 out of 20 available for his interview, for a total of 36 out of 50.
- d) the final aggregate score is then calculated as follows: Written tests (27,75+16=43,75) + (9 + 15 + 12 = 36) = 79,75.

III) Overall Plan

ACTIVITY	DATE
ROUND XVI	
Pre notice of applications RXVI	15 January – 8 February 2026
Call for applications	9 February – 9 March 2026
Pre selection and selections of candidates	9 – 11 March 2026
Written Exam	21 – 22 March 2026
Publication of Written Exam	26 March 2026
Interviews	31 March – 3 April 2026



Publication of Final Results	7 April 2026
English language training and IELTS certification	15 April – 30 May 2026
Internships in public administration	April - August 2026
Application and registration in EU MS universities	April - July 2026
VISA Application process	May - July 2026
Post graduate studies	August/October 2026 – September/October 2027
(Re)integration of Round XV Young Cell into Kosovo Public Administration or Public Institutions	From October 2027



YCS Round XVI Evaluation Grid:

RXIII	PRE-SELECTIONS		WRITTEN EXAMS				INTERVIEWS				FINAL
RESULT	Rejected or Admitted		50% of the total score or max 50 points available				50% of the total score or max 50 points available				Admitted, 100%
			EN Tests	EU General Knowledge	Verbal & Numerical Reasoning	Written Exams TOTAL	CV and Motivation Letter	Presentation	Interview	Interviews Total	OVERALL TOTAL
	Rejected	Admitted	No awarded points	20%	30%	50%	10%	20%	20%	50%	100%
Test content	Ineligible candidate and/or incomplete application = REJECTED	Eligible candidate & Complete application = INVITED TO Written Exams	3 Tests (Reading, Listening, Comprehension and Grammar Test)	80 Multiple choice questions	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Passing Threshold	Eligible candidate & Complete application		65%	50% (40 correct questions out of 80)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	50% (50 POINTS)
Max Points Available	n/a	n/a	n/a	20 Points	30 Points	50 Points	10 Points	20 Points	20 Points	50	100 Points



YCS Round XVI Scoring Table:

RXIII	PRE-SELECTIONS		WRITTEN EXAMS				INTERVIEWS				FINAL
RESULT	Rejected	or	50% of the total score or max 50 points available				50% of the total score or max 50 points available				
	Admitted		EN Tests	EU General Knowledge	Verbal & Numerical Reasoning	Written Exams TOTAL	CV and Motivation Letter	Presentation	Interview	Interviews Total	
			No points awarded	20%	30%	50%	10%	20%	20%	50%	
Passing Threshold	Eligible candidate & Complete application		65%	50% (40 correct questions out of 80)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Max Points Available	n/a	n/a	n/a	20 Points	30 Points	50 Points	10 Points	20 Points	20 Points	50	Min 50/100 points TO BE AWARDED GRANT



ANNEX I – R XVI Sectors Definition and Eligible Sectors

1. European Integration and Policy Planning				
Eligible Subsectors	Scholarships for this sector	Classification of position in civil service	Eligible BA Degree for this sector	Aim
1. EU Studies 2. European Law 3. Development Studies 4. Public Administration 5. EU Policy Analysis & Policy Planning 6. EU Enlargement, Accession & Negotiations 7. European Public Policy & Governance 8. EU Institutional Studies & Decision-Making 9. European Economic Integration & Single Market Studies 10. EU Funding, Programming & Project Management (IPA / Structural Funds) 11. European Social Policy & Employment Policy 12. EU Environmental & Climate Policy 13. Rule of Law, Justice & Fundamental Rights (EU <i>acquis</i>)	14	12. Social Science Group	Law, Economics (not specified), Sociology, Anthropology, Philosophy, History, Political Science, Psychology, Journalism, Social Work, Geography, Public Administration	Scholarships under this sector aim to provide scholarship to future civil servants who will work in the departments responsible for policy planning and EU integration in the Office of the Prime Minister and line ministries and other units responsible for policies and implementations as needed



<p>14. EU External Relations & Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP) 15. European Digital Policy & Digital Single Market 16. Public Sector Reform & Good Governance 17. Regulatory Impact Assessment & Evidence-Based Policymaking 18. Strategic Planning, Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E)</p>				
2. Law				
Eligible Subsectors	Scholarships for this sector	Classification of position in civil service	Eligible BA Degree for this sector	Aim
<p>1. European Law 2. International Law 3. Human Rights 4. Criminal Law 5. Public Law 6. Civil & Private Law 7. Patent Law 8. Intellectual Property Law 9. Competition Law 10. Business Law 11. Trade Law and International Commercial 12. Law 13. Tax Law 14. Other areas of Law</p>	8	1. Legal Group	Degree in Law (LLB) NB: This means that only graduates in Law (min 180 ECTS) are eligible under this sector.	Scholarships under this sector aim to provide scholarship to future experts in Law (any branch of law). Individuals who will be awarded a grant under this sector will be employed by the Government of Kosovo as legal officers/legal experts in legal departments but also other units as needed.



3. Economy				
Eligible Subsectors	Scholarships for this sector	Classification of position in civil service	Eligible BA Degree for this sector	Aim
1. Economics 2. Econometrics 3. Statistics 4. Economic Policy 5. International or European Economics 6. Political Economy and Public Finance 7. Project Management 8. Strategic Management 9. Supply Chain Management & Logistics 10. Technology Management 11. Health Management 12. Public Health 13. Regional Development; 14. Data Science	7	3. Economics Group	Economics, (regardless of specialization).	Scholarships under this sector aim to provide scholarship to future experts in the identified fields who will be employed in the Office of the Prime Minister, Ministry of Finance, Labour and Transfers, Ministry of Economy, Ministry of Education, Science and Technology and Innovation and other line ministries as needed.
4. Digitalisation				
Eligible Subsectors (MA/MSc)	Scholarships for this sector	Classification of position in civil service	Eligible BA Degree for this sector	Aim
1. Information Technology Systems Software Engineering & Computing Telecommunications & Network Technologies	4	49. Information Technology Group 50. Data Technology Group	Computer Science, Computer and Software Engineering, Engineering Informatics, Information Technology and Telecommunications,	Scholarships under this sector aim to provide scholarship to future experts in the identified fields who will be employed in the



<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Data Science & Data Engineering Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning 3. AI Policy, Ethics & Governance 4. Digital Governance & e-Services 5. Digital Media 			<p>Informatics and Information Technology, Computer Engineering with Telecommunications.</p> <p>Data Science, Data Engineering, Statistical Science, Computer Science, Computer and Software Engineering, Engineering Informatics, Information Technology and Telecommunications, Computing and Information Technology, Computer Electrical Engineering with Telecommunications</p>	<p>Ministry of Environment, Spatial Planning and Infrastructure, Ministry of Economy, Ministry of Education, Science and Technology and other line ministries as needed.</p>
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5. Engineering

Eligible Subsectors (MA/MSc)	Scholarships for this sector	Classification of position in civil service	Eligible BA Degree for this sector	Aim
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Automotive Engineering 2. Aviation & Aeronautical Engineering 3. Electrical Engineering 4. Environmental Engineering 5. Industrial Management & Engineering 6. Materials Science & Engineering 	4	16. General Engineering Group	Engineering, with the exception of electrotechnology engineering.	Scholarships under this sector aim to provide scholarship to future experts in the identified fields who will be employed in the Ministry of Internal Affairs, Ministry of



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Mechanical Engineering 8. Mining, Oil & Gas Engineering 9. Power & Energy Engineering 10. Renewable Energy Engineering 11. Sustainable & Green Engineering 12. Mechatronics & Robotics Engineering 13. Civil & Infrastructure Engineering 14. Environmental Systems & Climate Engineering 15. Energy Systems & Power Grid Engineering 16. Manufacturing & Production Engineering 17. Chemical & Process Engineering 18. Safety, Risk & Industrial Engineering 				<p>Economy, and other line ministries as needed.</p>
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Note: Kosovo’s citizens with a valid Kosovo passport or ID card issued by Kosovo. In the absence of ID card or passport during application phase, birth certificate with citizenship certificate may be accepted.