



Regional Fellowship

Open Call

**Enhancing Regional Cooperation of Young Researchers
on Migration & Development**

**Apply until July 20 at
regional.fellowship@germin.org**



This Call is funded by the “Support to Civil Society Regional Actions in the Western Balkans” project, part of a Western Balkans Fund and European Union joint grant scheme.

Terms of Reference (ToR) for Fellowship Call

Call for Applications: GERMIN from Kosovo, in collaboration with the Centre for Support of Local and Regional Development (CeP) from Montenegro, and Association ESTIMA from North Macedonia, with the support of the Western Balkans Fund, is looking for 6 young researchers from the respective countries to conduct a 10 days fellowship at the above-mentioned organizations in the field of migration and development from a regional perspective.

1. Overview of the project

Enhancing Regional Cooperation of Young Researchers on Migration & Development provides an opportunity for young researchers in three of the Western Balkan Countries to conduct a fellowship in the field of migration and development from a regional perspective. The purpose of the project is to provide access to migration entities' research infrastructures. Through this fellowship, young researchers can get access to data and mentorship at partner organizations, which will help them produce reports on key topics related to migration and development in the region.

On one hand, the fellowship is an opportunity to look at migration topics from a regional perspective. Migration (meaning emigration) is one of the issues of the region, which is being addressed mainly as an internal issue of the countries in the region. Nevertheless, the consequences of migration, be them positive or negative, are affecting the WB6 commonly. This becomes even more important given that the region will continue to be 'a laboratory of migration' for years to come.

On the other hand, there is a lack of regional exchange opportunities in any area. Today is easier for a young researcher or civil society activist to do a fellowship, internship, or research project in Turkey or the EU, rather than in any of the neighbouring countries in the region. These opportunities lack especially on common issues affecting the WB6 such as migration & development. Therefore, this project aims to decrease by achieving the following objectives:

2. Key Project Objectives:

- a.** Increase knowledge and skills of fellows in migration studies through practical training, mentorship and support supervision;
- b.** Enhance regional cooperation through building capacity on migration studies by having mutual access to regular national data collection, data analysis and reporting;
- c.** Establish the pre-innovative Western Balkans network focused on capacity building, knowledge and experience sharing.

The fellowship will provide an opportunity for 6 fellows to deepen their knowledge about migration & development of the countries of the region.

3. Eligibility

In order to be considered for the fellowship, applicants should fulfil the following:

1. Be master's students or master's graduates (at least) in social sciences and/or humanities;
2. Show interest in research fields related to migration & development;
3. Have experience in research and writing of reports, policy briefs, policy notes, etc;
4. Have basic knowledge about the field and trends of migration in the partner organization's countries (Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia);
5. Be proficient in English (both in writing and speaking);
6. Be under the age of 35.

4. Outcomes:

It is expected that selected applicants during the fellowship will further extend their knowledge on the field of migration & development in the host country organizations. Prior to the start of the fellowship, they can choose from the following research areas:

- Migration Governance
- Migration & Diaspora Engagement
- Labour Migration
- Migration from a Gender Perspective

By the end of the 10 days fellowship, fellows are expected to **produce an academic report** regarding the research they have done in the above-mentioned areas in the country of their host organization, and present the main findings at the final conference.

5. Supervision and fellowship management:

In alignment with the agreed methodology, the host organizations will oversee the development and administration of the fellowship and the research work of the fellow. Host organizations should provide all the necessary space and support for the fellows so that they can conduct their engagement properly.

6. Major tasks, deliverables & timeframe

It is expected that the fellows will carry out the following tasks:

Tasks	Timeline
1. In coordination with the host organizations, decide about the time the fellowship will take place;	Deadline: August 10, 2022.
2. Select the area of research interest and submit a research proposal (1-2 pages) to the host organization.	Deadline: August 15, 2022
3. Conduct the 10 days fellowship	Deadline: September 25, 2022
4. First draft of the research report	Deadline: October 1, 2022
5. Second (FINAL) draft of the research report	Deadline: October 20, 2022
6. Prepare a PowerPoint presentation of the main findings	Deadline: October 30, 2022

7.	Present the main findings at the final conference	November 2022
8.	Fill the feedback survey about the fellowship	November 2022