

As from 2022 and for the following 3 years, The European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) will be collaborating with CRESSE, on the basis of an Agreement, to fund the cost of attendance at the CRESSE Schools of several officers from competition authorities in selected countries of its operation ([Countries of Operation EBRD](#)).

The EBRD in collaboration with CRESSE and after discussion with specific candidate countries, will select 2-3 countries each year that will be funded.

The officers can attend the [Summer School](#) (targeted to economists), the [Lawyers' Course](#) (targeted to lawyers), the [CALEP](#) programme (targeted to commissioners and other senior officers), and the [Advanced Short Courses](#) (targeted to senior economists).

The funding covers the CRESSE course fees (as specified for each programme) plus some of the expenses for participating (travel and/or accommodation costs).

Funding will cover the following expenses:

- For non-ODA recipient countries<sup>1</sup> – the authority will pay the international and local travel plus accommodation and tuition fees (hence access to the programme will only guarantee access to a discounted fee);
- For ODA eligible upper-middle income countries<sup>2</sup> - the authority will pay the international and local travel costs. The budget will cover for the tuition fees and accommodation costs (including breakfast), at a flat rate of EUR 4,660 per participant;
- For ODA eligible lower-middle income countries<sup>3</sup> - the budget will cover for the entire costs of accommodation (including breakfast), tuition fees and international and local travel costs, at a flat rate of EUR 5,460 per participant.

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<sup>1</sup> In 2021 this included: Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Estonia, Greece, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Russia, Slovak Republic, Slovenia. To be verified each year.

<sup>2</sup> In 2021 this included Albania, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Hercegovina, Kazakhstan, Lebanon, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, Turkey and Turkmenistan. To be verified each year.

<sup>3</sup> In 2021 this included Egypt, Georgia, Jordan, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Mongolia, Morocco, Tunisia, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, West Bank and Gaza, Tajikistan. To be verified each year.