

# International Visegrad Fund: official website

grant programs, mobility programs, artist residencies

## About



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The International Visegrad Fund is an international organization based in Bratislava founded by the governments of the [Visegrad Group](#) (V4) countries—the Czech Republic, Hungary, the Republic of Poland, and the Slovak Republic—in Štířín, Czech Republic, on June 9, 2000.

The purpose of the fund is to facilitate and promote the development of closer cooperation among citizens and institutions in the region as well as between the V4 region and other countries, especially the Western Balkans and countries of the [Eastern Partnership](#). The fund does so through grant support of common cultural, scientific and educational projects, youth exchanges, cross-border projects and tourism promotion, and through individual mobility programs (scholarships, residencies).

The budget of the Fund (€8 million as of 2014) consists of equal contributions of the Visegrad Group's governments. The Fund runs four regular [grant programs](#) ([Small Grants](#), [Standard Grants](#), the [Visegrad Strategic Program](#), the [Visegrad Strategic Conferences](#), and the [Visegrad+ program](#)), a separate [Visegrad 4 Eastern Partnership program](#) with its separate grant and scholarship schemes, [scholarship schemes](#), a multi-chapter [artist-in-residence program](#), and a [curriculum-building program for universities](#).

Non-governmental organizations (NGOs), civil society organizations (CSOs), municipalities and local or regional governments, schools and universities, but also private companies or individual citizens are eligible for grant support, provided that their projects deal with the region and further develop cooperation among project partners based in the region.

The governing bodies of the fund are the [Council of Ambassadors](#) and the [Conference of Ministers](#) of Foreign Affairs. The executive body of the fund is composed of the [Executive Director](#) and the [Deputy Executive Director](#). The administrative body of the Fund is the [Secretariat](#).

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