



IPT – International Civilian Peacebuilding Training Program:

More information on application procedure

Conditions of Participation

Applicants should already be working on or motivated and willing to engage in peacebuilding activities in conflict and post-conflict settings. Ideally, the IPT Core Course should be attended before IPT Specialization Courses and Master Classes. With sufficient practical or theoretical experience, however, this can be waived on a case-to-case basis.

IPT courses are generally conducted in **English**. Thus, applicants must have a good command of English and should:

- already have expertise and relevant work experience
- have at least a first level university degree or equivalent professional experience
- be able and willing to work in a team and within a multicultural environment
- be computer literate

Scholarships

With support of Austrian ministries and other donors, the ACP can award a limited number of scholarships to outstanding candidates. Qualified applicants from countries according to the DAC List of ODA Recipients as well as nationals from the OSCE region are eligible. To apply for financial support, applicants must indicate their need for a scholarship in the relevant section of the application form. Full or partial scholarships may be awarded.

After the application deadline, the admission board will screen all applications and decide about the allocation of scholarships. Applicants working in civil society organizations and representing minority groups will be prioritized. The outcome of the scholarship allocation will be communicated in the letter of invitation. Applications for scholarships after the deadline won't be considered.

Visa

Applicants requiring a Schengen visa to enter Austria are encouraged to submit their application early on to account for lengthy visa processes that can take several weeks and in some cases months. Moreover, after receiving an invitation letter to take part in the course, participants are advised to immediately book a visa appointment at an embassy to avoid delays in the process. All course participants are bound by the necessary visa regulations and must take care of that independently with the respective representation. The ACP does not have any influence on embassies' decision to grant or reject a Visa application and cannot issue an EVE.

Certificate

Successful participants will receive a certificate of attendance at the end of the training course.