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INFORMATION FOR THE APPLICATION, ADMISSION, AND PARTICIPATION IN THE IACA REGIONAL SUMMER ACADEMY CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA 2027

1. ABOUT THE TRAINING

The International Anti-Corruption Summer Academy is a professional training of the International Anti-Corruption Academy (IACA), which is foreseen to take place in the Panama City, Panama, from **19 to 23 April 2027**.

The training is administered and delivered in the English language, with simultaneous interpretation into Spanish.

2. TARGET AUDIENCE

Professionals with an extensive level of work experience related to the training. Subject to available seats, professionals with a level of junior engagement demonstrating their potential will also be considered. Those who did not previously participate in the Regional Summer Academy programmes in Central and South America are strongly encouraged to apply.

As this activity is supported by third-party funding, applications are initially open only to professionals who did not previously participate in the Regional Summer Academy programmes in Central and South America. After 31 January 2027, IACA reserves the right to extend eligibility to IACA alumni who did not previously attend a RSA in Latin America.

Citizens from the following countries and areas are eligible to apply: Argentina, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Uruguay, and Venezuela.

Language: The training/programme is administered and will be held in the English language with simultaneous interpretation into Spanish.

3. FEES

The programme fee amounts to 120 EUR.

Partial scholarships are available for this training (see 10. below).

This activity is funded under the Siemens Integrity Initiative Evolve Funding Round, enabling IACA to offer participation at a competitive programme fee. The fee includes all training costs, opening gala dinner, accommodation at the programme hotel in Panama City (Panama) for up to six nights, meals, coffee breaks, one social event, and the farewell dinner, as described in the programme.

4. APPLICATION

Before applying, please carefully read the General Terms and Conditions for Professional Training and the Code of Conduct for IACA's Programmes and Activities to understand the terms of your participation.

Submission deadline for self-paying participants: **24 February 2027**. **Participants applying for a scholarship should refer to the relevant application deadline outlined in Section 10.2.**

Later applications may be considered, depending on the availability of places.

Applications shall be submitted in the English language only through:

https://platform.iaca.int/apply/rsa-latam-2027

attaching the required documentation, as specified below:

a. Curriculum vitae
a. Motivation letter, including a confirmation that you will complete the pre- and post-training self-evaluation surveys required to measure knowledge enhancement;
b. Passport Copy
c. Photo (preferably passport photo)
d. Proof of the appropriate command of English OR Spanish (optional)
   - Certificate of completion of at least one year of full-time university studies or in a tertiary institution where the language of instruction was English, or Spanish. Proof of sufficient professional experience in an English or Spanish-speaking environment may be equivalent to such certificate.
   - An academic degree where the language of instruction was English or Spanish.
e. Professional references (optional)

If you experience problems registering, please do not hesitate to contact us by email at regionalsummeracademy@iaca.int for further guidance.

You will be notified of the receipt of your application by email. In case you do not receive a confirmation within 2 days after applying, please contact the team via regionalsummeracademy@iaca.int

5. ADMISSION

Admissions will be processed by IACA based on criteria such as the applicants' professional suitability for the training, gender balance, as well as professional and regional diversity of participants.

IACA may request from you additional information/documentation.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Applications will be processed on a rolling basis, and successful applicants may receive an offer to join the programme before the application deadline. Applicants are therefore strongly encouraged to submit their application at the earliest opportunity.

You will be notified whether you have been selected for the training or not. If your application was not successful, we encourage you to re-apply on another occasion.

6. ENROLLMENT

If selected, you will receive an offer by email to participate in the training with payment instructions. If your partial scholarship application was approved, you will also receive a partial scholarship offer.

Please note, that by paying or accepting the scholarship offer, **you agree and sign up to the General Terms and Conditions for Professional Training and the Code of Conduct for IACA's Programmes and Activities**.

7. CANCELLATIONS

You may cancel your participation by sending an email to regionalsummeracademy@iaca.int

Cancellation requests received by IACA by the deadlines indicates below (inclusive) are subject to a cancellation fee charge of 100 Euro:

- **Scholarship holders**: until **28 February 2027**
- **Self-paying participants**: until **19 March 2027**

For cancellation requests received by IACA later than the established deadline, no refund will be made.

8. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

The training starts on **19 April 2027** in accordance with the timetable issued. You are requested to follow the instructions regarding participation as communicated by IACA.

Participants who have successfully completed the training will receive a Certificate of Attendance.

9. VISA AND INSURANCE ARRANGEMENTS

Visa arrangements are at the sole risk and costs of participants, including partial scholarship holders. Therefore, you are strongly advised to arrange and plan visa early and inform yourself about the required timeframe. You must apply for the necessary visa at the diplomatic or consular representation of the country of the location of the training, well in advance of the planned arrival.

PLEASE NOTE: The denial or late issue of visas are not cases of force majeure and do not exempt participants from his/her payment obligations vis-à-vis IACA.

You are strongly advised to make health and travel insurance arrangements for the duration of the training. IACA does not make any arrangements or cover any costs relating to travel/health/medical issues.

10. SCHOLARSHIPS

A limited number of partial scholarships are available for this training.

Please, mind the terms applicable to scholarships and associated responsibilities, outlined in the General Terms and Conditions for Professional Training

10.1 Eligibility & selection criteria

IACA is offering partial scholarships to the nationals of all countries eligible to participate in the programme, as listed in the Chapter 2 above.

The partial scholarships are highly competitive and merit based. Individuals who received IACA scholarships before and participated in the Regional Summer Academy programmes are not eligible to apply for partial scholarships. Please check eligibility carefully and in case of applying for a scholarship, please indicate this clearly in your application.

The selection process will take into account the merits of the applicant in view of the partial scholarship holders' responsibilities stated below.

10.2 Application

If you fulfill the eligibility criteria and agree with the rules outlined above, you may submit the request for a partial scholarship together with your application by selecting the appropriate option in the application form.

As scholarship funding is limited and awarded on a first-come, first-served basis, we strongly encourage you to submit **your application by 10 January 2027** to maximize your chances of receiving financial support. Applications received after that date may be considered for any remaining scholarship funds, subject to availability.

Your request shall be accompanied by a detailed motivation letter (not exceeding 1,000 words), including:

b. A description of your career goals;
c. Reasons for your interest in the training;
d. Confirmation that you will complete the pre- and post-training self-evaluation surveys required to measure knowledge enhancement;
e. Details (full name, current position, contact details, and reference description) of at least two professional references of yours, which may be contacted by IACA;
f. A statement that you will meet your responsibilities as a scholarship holder, outlined in this section.

IACA may request you to submit additional information/documentation.

10.3 Partial scholarship

The partial scholarship covers round-trip transportation to and from the programme location.

The round-trip will be usually arranged between the airport nearest to the scholarship holder's place of residence or another location designated by IACA, and the location of the training. Airport transfers are not included. Travel arrangements will be made by IACA based on the most cost-effective fares available and may involve early morning or late-night departures, including overnight travel, stopovers, and travel dates that precede or follow the programme dates. Any additional costs, such as excess or additional baggage charges, shall be borne by the participant.

Costs for any arrangements other than at the most cost-effective economy-class rates, standards, and travel dates arranged by IACA, including re-bookings/change of itinerary shall be borne by the scholarship holder. IACA may, upon written request, consider assisting the scholarship holder in making alternative travel arrangements, in case of imminent and unforeseeable reasons.