



### Call for scholarship applications

## YOUNG FORUM GASTEIN

Since 2007, the Young Forum Gastein (YFG) programme has enabled promising young health professionals to attend the annual European Health Forum Gastein (EHFG) conference. Following the event, they become part of an inspiring network that now includes over 600 members (Young Gasteiners) working across the public and private sectors, civil society, and science & academia.

#### EHFG 2025 edition

The EHFG 2025 will take place from Tuesday 30 September until Friday 3 October as a hybrid conference. During the conference, scholarship holders come together in-person to take part in a tailored YFG conference programme in Bad Hofgastein, Austria. Prior to the conference, there will be two online events for scholars: 11 June "Introducing YFG"; 10 September "YFG 2025 kick-off". For more information on the YFG programme timelines please refer to the <u>website</u>.

The EHFG offers a limited number of YFG scholarships to professionals from the public sector, private sector\*, science & academia, and civil society organisations. The scholarship covers the following:

- Conference registration fee and conference materials for the EHFG;
- Participation in a tailor-made YFG programme;
- Shuttle from/to Salzburg Airport (scholars are responsible for all other travel costs);
- Accommodation for four nights in a three-star hotel;
- Meals, and evening events.

\*If you are working for a commercial / for-profit entity, please note that your employer should cover the scholarship costs associated with your participation in the YFG programme and the EHFG conference. You will need to submit a letter of support from your employer, please see the section below for more details. With this contribution your scholarship offers all of the above.

# Application criteria

All successful candidates must meet the following criteria:

- You hold citizenship from a country in the WHO European Region;
- Or you have the independent right to live and work in the EU (Please note that the EHFG cannot assist with visa approval processes);
- You are born after 30 September 1990;
- You have proven proficiency in English (oral and written);
- You hold a Master's degree;
- You have full-time work experience of at least two years in the field of health;
- YFG Alumni can participate in the programme up to four times.

### Scholarship application checklist

#### Part 1: Questionnaire

Please complete this short application form.

Part 2: Documents to be submitted via email to <a href="mailto:yfg@ehfg.org">yfg@ehfg.org</a>

Document	Specifications
Curriculum Vitae	Please make sure to distinguish the following:  Type of employment/experience: e.g. full-time, part-time, and volunteer work experience;  The duration of your employments by indicating months and years.
Copy of passport or identity card	Passport from country in the <u>WHO European Region</u> or; Identity card proving independent right to live and work in the EU.
Letter of support	<ul> <li>A short letter signed by your manager/supervisor confirming that:</li> <li>You are working in the field of health and have at least two years of work experience in this field;</li> <li>Your manager/supervisor supports your application, and if you are selected your organisation will grant your participation in the entire YFG/EHFG programme;</li> <li>*If you are employed by the private sector, please also include a confirmation that your employer has agreed to cover the scholarship contribution of € 1.950 if selected.</li> </ul>
Proof of proficiency in English (not relevant to YFG Alumni)	Unless you are a native speaker, please provide either a formal certificate/qualification demonstrating your English proficiency, or proof of written work in English, or confirmation from your employer of your proficiency and regular use of English in your day-to-day work (as part of the letter of support).

By applying to be a YFG scholar you agree to undertake an active role before and during the EHFG conference where you will be involved in a range of activities. For details on these activities, please refer to the <u>YFG factsheet</u>.

Please note: only complete applications will be considered. They will be examined according to the criteria mentioned above ensuring balanced representation across sectors and countries.

Please send the documents listed above to <u>yfg@ehfg.org</u> with the email subject 'YFG 2025\_Your Full Name' by Monday 12 May 2025, 23:59 CEST.