The German non-profit organisation IJP – International Journalists’ Programmes – would like to announce its twenty-second bursary in 2021 for journalists from Germany and the five Nordic countries:

Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden
as
Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

Up to eleven German and eleven Nordic/Baltic journalists in total will have the opportunity to work for a media outlet in the respectively other country in 2021.

**Purpose of the programme**

IJP is a non-profit organisation offering sponsored exchange programmes for early and mid-career journalists between Germany and more than 40 other countries and regions. These include the United States, Northern Europe, the Netherlands, Turkey, Latin America, East Asia, Russia, Southern Africa and the Middle East. The purpose of these exchanges is to allow participants to experience their host countries from a correspondent’s perspective, exchange knowledge and network within their field.

Journalists from all countries, who are granted the German-Northern European bursary, receive a deeper and more detailed insight into the political landscape, the economy, and everyday life in the host country. Participants from the Northern countries meet opinion leaders and decision makers in Germany, the largest country in the European Union.

The programme is funded by the Auswärtiges Amt (Federal Foreign Office), by the foreign ministries of the Nordic countries and by a close circle of private sponsors.

**The Bursary**

The scholarship programme starts with a four-day introduction conference in one of the Nordic capitals or Berlin. The *usually 6 to 8 week stay at a German media host will take place fully flexibly due to the pandemic situation by individual arrangement.*

The programme concludes with a final meeting. The participants are asked to deliver a three-page report of their experiences. It should also include all contributions produced during their stay. These reports and contributions will be part of the final documentation. After the exchange, we encourage the participants to stay in touch with each other through the IJP alumni network.

Each fellow will receive a stipend of **3,800 Euro** to cover a part of travel expenses, accommodation and personal expenses during their stay in Germany. The participant must cover any additional costs. Work compensation in Germany is up to the individual host organization and cannot be guaranteed.

**Application**

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Non-profit Association
The application is open to any journalist from the Nordic countries between the ages 18 and 45, working for any print, radio or TV media (employed or freelancer). Fluency in German is not expected or a prerequisite for successful application. At least workable knowledge of English is essential.

The application deadline is **December 13th, 2021.** Applications should include:

- CV, incl. Photograph
- letter of recommendation by an editor, supporting the application
- four written samples of work (TV and radio journalists are asked not to send tapes but a comprehensive list of contributions.)
- preferences of host media outlets and of host regions (i.e. Munich) in Germany

The selection is made by a committee until **20 December 2021.**

**Address of application**

The digital application is kindly requested in one PDF document to:

**theo@ijp.org**

The application has to be addressed to:

IJP e.V.
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Attn. Mister Vassilios Theodossiou

If you have any queries regarding the programme or your application, please contact IJP.

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