

IJP e.V.

**Deutsch-Lateinamerikanisches
Journalistenprogramm**

Postanschrift

Postfach 31 07 46
10637 Berlin

Telefon

(030) 9174 6910

E-Mail

latino@ijp.org

Internet

<http://www.ijp.org>

Kuratorium

Vorsitzender

Dr. Michael Ilgner

Ehrenvorsitzender

Dr. Tessen von Heydebreck

Dorothee Bär

Prof. Dr. Reinhard Bettzuege

Nikolaus Blome

Johannes Boie

Dr. Volker Breid

Michael Bröcker

Stephan-Andreas Casdorff

Dr. Mathias Döpfner

Dr. Wolfgang Fink

Prof. Manuel Hartung

Steffen Hebestreit

Dr. Norbert Himmelr

Barbara Junge

Alexander Graf Lambsdorff

Peter Limbourg

Dr. Tobias Lindner

Dr. Gesine Löttsch

Georg Löwisch

Prof. Dr. Johannes Meier

Claudia Roth

Michael Roth

Dr. Gregor Peter Schmitz

Jennifer Wilton

Ulrike Winkelmann

Beirat

Rainer Haubrich

Martina Johns

Stefan Oelze

Vorstand

Dr. Frank-Dieter Freiling

Benedikt Karmann

Miodrag Soric

Martin Spiewak

Vassilios Theodossiou

Marco Vollmar

Bankverbindung

Frankfurter Sparkasse

IBAN

DE65 5005 0201 0000 151746

BIC

HELADEF 1822

Sitz & Registergericht

Königsstein 8 VR 646

Gemeinnütziger Verein

German-Latin American journalist program

The International Journalist Program (Internationale Journalisten-Programme, IJP) announces the new edition of its program for the spring-summer season of 2024. This exchange program between Germany and Latin America is supported by the German Foreign Office, foundations and private companies. Thanks to them, journalists from Latin America will be able to receive a scholarship to work for two months as visiting journalists in a media outlet in Berlin, Germany.

This call is aimed at journalists in Latin American countries. Interested applicants from Germany please refer to the specific requirements on the website ijp.org/lateinamerika.

Program's main goal

The IJP seeks to foster relations between young journalists from Germany and Latin America. For this reason, it offers the opportunity for a professional exchange and to get to know the European country first hand. The Latin American journalists will spend two months in the editorial office of a German media. This will be an opportunity to become familiar with the political and economic reality of the country, as well as to get to know its culture and the mentality of its people. Working in a German newsroom will allow Latin American journalists to expand their network of contacts and cultivate professional relationships with German and European journalists. At the end of the program, they will be part of the IJP alumni network, which remains active and extends the relationship beyond the duration of the fellowship.

Who can apply?

The program is aimed at journalists between 25 and 38 years of age who have a special interest in Germany. An important requirement is that applicants have a good knowledge of the German language, although an excellent use of English can also be accepted under certain conditions. The program is aimed at young journalists who have completed their university degree and can already show some work experience. Applicants must prove that they are working as a journalist, either as an apprentice, staff writer or freelancer, in a print, radio, television or online media. The deadline to apply for the program is December 17, 2023. Those who advance through the application phases will be invited for an interview at the German embassy in their country. Accepted applicants will be notified in the course of February.

When does the program start?

The official start of the fellowship will be at the end of April with an introductory seminar from April 27 to May 1, 2024, another one on the weekend of June 29-30, 2024, both in Berlin. Attendance at the seminars is mandatory for both Latin and German fellows. The two-month fellowship will be held between May and June 2024. It is planned that at mid-term the Goethe-Institut will organize a one-week trip to two or three cities in Germany exclusively for Latinos. The trip will be funded by the IJP, attendance is also mandatory and must take priority over any fellows' projects. The German scholars will spend their time in Latin America between July and September.

IJP INTERNATIONALE JOURNALISTEN-PROGRAMME

How to participate?

Those interested in the IJP program should send their application via e-mail with a **single PDF document** to the German embassy of the applicant's country of origin. We recommend that you ask at these locations for the IJP's application clerk. They are usually in the areas of Culture and/or Press. Any application not sent to these addresses will not be considered.

The application must include:

- A letter from the candidates in German (preferred), or English (second preference), maximum 3,500 characters with spaces, explaining three things: reasons for participating in the program, interest in Germany, and preferred media outlet to stay (the IJP reserves the right to accommodate fellows in other media, in case the preference is not available. Berlin newsrooms only). TV journalists must also explain how they intend to technically and logistically realize their productions from Germany. The IJP or German newsrooms are not able to meet any technical requirements for television productions.
- A curriculum vitae in German (preferred) or English (second preference), with date of birth, address, private and office telephone number with country code, e-mail address. The professional and linguistic skills required for the program must be demonstrated. Proof of language skills (diplomas, certificates, etc.) must be attached. In addition, the embassy staff will give the candidates a speaking test and, if necessary, the IJP coordination reserves the right to request a video or video call in the language the candidates claim to speak.
- Three current articles or reports from the candidates that demonstrate their professional ability. In the case of TV or Radio, transcripts of television or radio work must be submitted. In addition, a link to the website where the works are hosted could be sent.
- Three proposals of topics to be investigated during the stay in which the program is carried out. Each topic should be no longer than 600 characters with spaces.
- A letter of recommendation (in Spanish is fine) from the editor or section head of the media outlet where the candidate works or collaborates. This should include a description of the journalist's professional qualifications and explicit permission for the applicant to participate in the program for two months.

Incomplete applications will be not considered.

IJP INTERNATIONALE JOURNALISTEN-PROGRAMME

What is the amount of the scholarship?

For journalists from Latin America, the scholarship consists of 4,000 euros. Of this, 3,500 euros will be paid at the beginning of the fellowship, and the remaining 500 euros upon submission of a journalistic report on the fellowship. This money will be used to cover all basic travel expenses, i.e. airfare, transportation, lodging and meals. The IJP is not responsible for any extra expenses. Only the accommodation during the introductory seminar and the one-week mid-term trip to Germany will be covered by the IJP. Journalistic work done as part of the fellowship program will not be paid by the organization.

How many times can one apply?

Multiple applications are possible, and even requested, because they demonstrate a long-term interest in Latin America and the IJP program. Many Fellows have only made it into the program on their second or even third attempt. However, those who are unsuccessful after the third application usually have little chance.

More questions?

Answers to frequently asked questions that are not answered in this document can be found on the IJP website at ijp.org/latino.

If you still have questions, you can contact the program coordinators (Sebastian Erb and Yaotzin Botello) directly by email: latino@ijp.org.

The IJP coordination does not receive direct applications for the program!