

# EUROPEAN FORUM ALPBACH

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Scholarship Programme 2020



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**FORUM  
ALPBACH  
FOUNDATION**



Become part of Europe's  
**FESTIVAL of IDEAS**





# ALPBACH

## in a nutshell

The European Forum Alpbach is an interdisciplinary platform for science, politics, business and culture. Established in 1945, the annual European Forum Alpbach, as well as its events throughout the year, address the relevant socio-political questions of our time.

Alpbach connects international decision-makers from all sectors of society with an interested audience and committed young people. Its goal is to create a dialogue across the generational, ideological and other lines that divide us. Nowhere else can you go on a sunrise hike with Nobel laureates in the morning and discuss your ideas with fellow scholarship holders from almost 100 nations in the afternoon.

## *European Forum Alpbach 2020 Timeline:*

### **SEMINAR WEEK** | 19. - 26. August 2020

Successful scholarship holders get to attend **1 morning** (academic) and **1 afternoon** (artistic/practical) **seminar**.

### **SYMPOSIA** | 22. August - 04. September 2020

<i>EFA Opening</i>	22. August 2020
<i>TYR - Tyrol Days</i>	22. - 23. August 2020
<i>MED - Health Symposium</i>	23. - 25. August 2020
<i>MEET - Artists in Discourse</i>	26. August 2020
<i>EDU - Higher Education Forum</i>	26. August 2020
<i>TEC - Technology Symposium</i>	27. - 29. August 2020
<i>POL - Political Symposium</i>	29. August - 01. September 2020
<i>LAW - Legal Symposium</i>	30. August - 01. September 2020
<i>ECN - Economic Symposium</i>	01. - 03. September 2020
<i>FIN - Financial Market Symposium</i>	03. - 04. September 2020

### **ALPBACH LEARNING MISSIONS** | 19. August - 04. September 2020

19. August - 04. September (& ongoing through projects and scholarship holders' initiatives).

### **FAN (FORUM ALPBACH NETWORK) PROGRAMME** | 19. August - 04. September 2020

19. August - 04. September (& ongoing through two FAN Conferences and each Club's events).

# FIGURES

from 2019

## *Seminar Week*

80+

*Seminar Chairs*

29

*Seminars*

5

*Alpbach Learning  
Missions*

The Seminar Week is the academic heart of the European Forum Alpbach, and it is characterized by the space it gives to discussion, its interdisciplinary atmosphere and intergenerational dialogue. For a week, Alpbach becomes a hive of innovative knowledge transfer: **academic seminars** in the mornings, **artistic and practical seminars** in the afternoons.

The **ALM** (Alpbach Learning Mission) is a groundbreaking seminar format at the European Forum Alpbach. By joining a mission, participants start out by participating in a scientific seminar as a basis and then embark on a self-organised learning journey, partially guided by experts but mostly driven by their own motivation and responsibility to bring solutions to the table.

## *Conference*

9

*Symposia*

100+

*Sessions*

795

*Speakers*

In 2019, **795 national and international speakers** accepted the invitation to the European Forum Alpbach. Former UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, Nobel Prize Laureate Joseph E. Stiglitz, extremism expert Julia Ebner, Rick Goings (Chairman Emeritus of the Tupperware Brands Corporation), and many more spoke at the Forum. One of the highlights of the programme was the visit of the President of the UN General Assembly María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés, who opened the Political Symposium together with the Austrian Federal President Alexander Van der Bellen and the Austrian Chancellor Brigitte Bierlein.

# *Alpbach is a unique place with...*



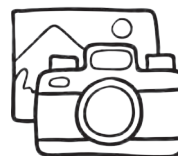
**A Long History**



**Respect for the Planet &  
Nature**



**Interdisciplinary &  
Intergenerational Dialogue**



**A beautiful alpine setting  
for ideas' exchange**



**Academic & Artistic/Practical  
Seminars**



**A Think & Do Approach**



# European Forum Alpbach FOUNDATION

The European Forum Alpbach Foundation (EFAF) was established in 2005.

Its goal is to support the objectives of the European Forum Alpbach by funding scholarships for the European Forum Alpbach with the aid of donations.

*Our scholarship programme enables young people from across the world to come to Alpbach and to participate in the Forum. The scholarships vary and can range from a participation fee waiver to free room and board.*

The European Forum Alpbach Foundation also supports its global alumni network.

*Until today, scholarship holders have founded more than 30 alumni groups, which run their own successful scholarship programmes. Hundreds of scholarship holders from almost 100 countries participate in the European Forum Alpbach every year.*



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# 650+

*Scholarship Holders*

# 95+

*Countries*

# 30+

*Alumni Clubs*



# HEAR

## From our scholarship holders!

*"All in all, I see EFA as one of my most important experiences as a young scholar. The people I have met, the ideas I was exposed to, the open and welcoming atmosphere for dissections, and the world-leading speakers opened my mind to new ways of thinking and offered me a glimpse into the topics that will be discussed in the near future, the ones I should focus on."*

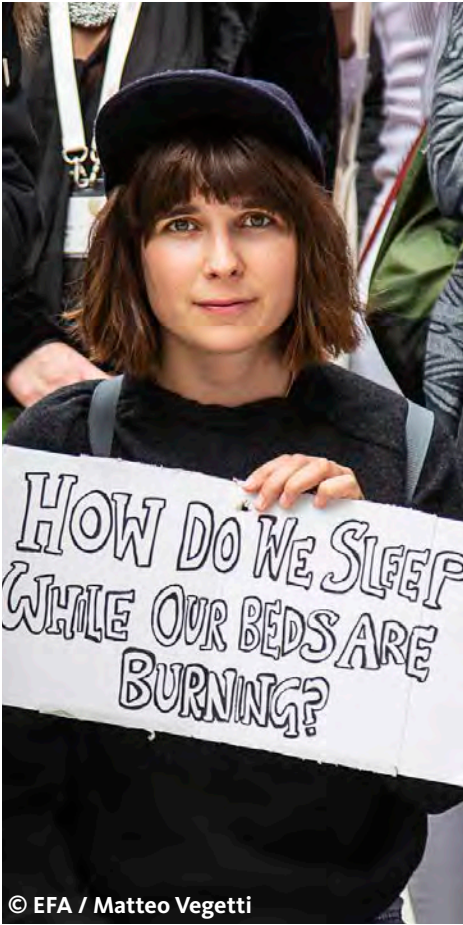
Ben Sharoni, scholarship holder 2019 from Israel



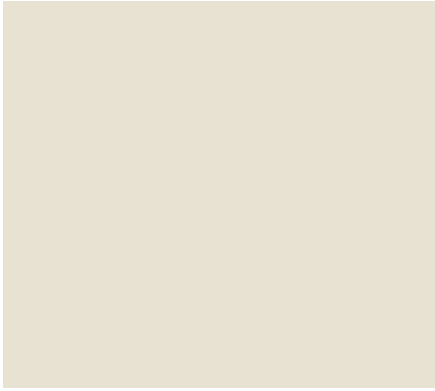
*"The Forum in all true essence led me to challenge myself, take risks and explore the hidden potentials and also to network and socialize and to be a part of global diversification."*

Muneeb Ahsan Malik, scholarship holder 2019 from Pakistan





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## Alpbach Moments



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