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SCHOLARSHIPS TO STUDY COURSES IN BRUSSELS

Mastering European
Telecommunications
Regulation



A three-day training course



Specialise in Regulation
and Competition Policy
in the Digital Economy



A two-day training course



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ABOUT THE PARTNER INSTITUTIONS:

The General Secretariat of the OAS (GS/OAS) is the central and permanent organ of the [Organization of American States](#) (OAS).

- Through its Department of Human Development, Education and Employment (DHDEE), GS/OAS supports [OAS member States](#) in creating policies and executing programs that promote human capacity development at all educational levels.
- By enabling formative opportunities to citizens, DHDEE strengthens democratic values and security under the framework of regional integration.
- DHDEE does this: (i) by supporting the efforts of OAS member states to improve the quality of and equity in education; and (ii) by assisting the citizens of the Americas in realizing their full potential by giving them access to knowledge and skills through training that improves the standard of living for individuals, families and communities in the region.

[Cullen International](#) (Cullen) is an independent provider of regulatory intelligence covering competition law and the telecommunications, media, digital economy and postal sectors.

- For almost 30 years, Cullen International has been tracking, analyzing and benchmarking regulatory developments, now covering the Middle East and North Africa, as well as Europe and Latin America.
- Cullen International provides comprehensive, neutral, unbiased, timely information that is used by the whole industry and is widely recognized as the leading regulatory support service provider in the field.
- Its services consist of a unique range of alerts, reports, benchmarks and enquiry services, which are complemented by training and consulting services. The outstanding regulatory library contains over thirty years of source documents linked to expert analysis of events.
- Cullen International is also regularly selected to carry out important research and studies for the European Commission and other organizations and is frequently sought out to chair or make presentations at industry events.
- Cullen International services are complemented by a wide range of regulatory training courses that provide essential insights into communications sector regulation and competition law.

▼ SCHOLARSHIP OVERVIEW:

COURSES:	<u>Mastering EU Telecoms Regulation + Specialise in Competition Law in the telecoms sector</u>	<u>Specialise in regulation and competition policy in the digital economy</u>
MODALITY:	Onsite, Brussels, Belgium	
LANGUAGE:	English	
DEADLINE:	September 18, 2019	
DURATION:	5 days	2 days
START AND END DATES:	October 21 – October 25, 2019	November 21 – November 22, 2019
BENEFITS:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cullen shall waive the registration fee of € 3,500 to the course • Travel (flights in economy class) • Accommodation from Sunday to Friday • Course material • Refreshments and lunches during the course • Dinner on Tuesday and Wednesday 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cullen shall waive the registration fee of € 1,400 to the course • Travel (flights in economy class) • Accommodation from Wednesday to Friday • Course material • Refreshments and lunches during the course • Dinner on Thursday

▼ COURSE REGISTRATION AT CULLEN:

- ✓ Applicants will be asked to register for the selected course at Cullen after being selected for the scholarship.
- ✓ Applicants must have at least two (2) years of telecom, media and digital economy experience related to the Courses selected to meet the admission requirements of Cullen.

Cullen Contact Information:

Applicants can contact Cullen International through Mrs. Carolina Limbatto at carolina.limbato@cullen-international.com, Ms. Sarah Vergote sarah.vergote@cullen-international.com or visit Cullen's website at <http://www.cullen-international.com/> for more information about the courses.

Courses profile:

1. Mastering European telecommunications regulation

The training will provide attendees with:

- ✓ a comprehensive overview of regulatory issues and developments in the telecommunications sector, using real-life examples and case studies from the European Union;
- ✓ an insight into the latest developments in the fields of broadband deployment and access regulation, interconnection and call termination, radio spectrum policy and awards, net neutrality, mobile regulation and roaming, current EU policy goals, the review of the EU regulatory framework for electronic communications and consumer protection;
- ✓ an understanding of key institutional mechanisms, notably the EU legislative process as it relates to the telecoms sector and the harmonisation mechanisms used in Europe, e.g. for market reviews and spectrum policy;
- ✓ a historical perspective on European telecoms regulation for participants to gain a clear appreciation of the key regulatory trends.

2. Regulation and competition policy in the digital economy

The training will provide attendees with a clear overview of:

- ✓ how competition law applies to the digital economy, including issues such as data concentration;
- ✓ access to data, platform practices (favoring, data collection, etc.) and contractual restrictions on e-commerce;
- ✓ how economic regulation tries to address similar or related issues, including data sharing and reuse, and the fairness and transparency of online platforms.

▼ SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS:

Gather Supporting Documents and Apply online:

All applicants must fill out the OAS online scholarship application form and attach **ALL** required supporting documentation listed below before registering with Cullen:

1. **One (1) recommendation letter:** one letter from a university professor or one from a current or most recent employer that includes: the letterhead of the University/Institution, the Professor's / Employer's position within the University/Institution, date and signature.
 - a. The recommendation letter should be addressed to the OAS Scholarship and Training Programs, Department of Human Development, Education and Employment.
2. **Certificate or Diploma** – copy of Bachelor's degree diploma or letter of enrollment from current institution
3. **Transcript or record of grades** – copy of Bachelor's Degree Transcript. Transcripts must be translated by a sworn translator if English is not the original language of the transcript.
4. **Curriculum vitae or resume** - in English and no specific format is required.
5. **Response to essay question:** you are required to respond to the following essay question. The essay should be written in English and have a minimum of 800 characters (not words) and a maximum of 2900 characters, including spaces.

- i. Essay Question: *Describe how participating in this course will enhance your professional skills, and directly impact institution, community and country*

6. **Copy of a government issued ID** (passport or national ID Card)

Please note the following:

- **ALL** the required documents must be combined into **one (1) single PDF file (no larger than 5MB)**. If the file is larger than 5MB, you will be unable to submit the online form. The application system does not allow for more than one document to be uploaded. Do not include any additional documents besides those indicated.

- **ONLY COMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED**

[Click Here for the Online Scholarship Application Form](#)

! EXPENSES NOT COVERED BY THIS SCHOLARSHIP:

Expenses not covered by the scholarship, and which are the sole responsibility of the scholarship recipients, are:

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

The Scholarship Recipients will be responsible for any other costs not mentioned under the scholarship, including but not limited to medical insurance and local transportation, among other things.

- ✓ The above shall be the sole and exclusive responsibility of the scholarship recipients

! ELIGIBILITY:

To be considered for this scholarship opportunity, an applicant must:

- Applicants must have at least two (2) years of telecom, media and digital economy experience related to the Courses selected to meet the admission requirements of Cullen.

- Submit a complete scholarship application with all required supporting documents; and

- Be a citizen and/or permanent legal resident of any [OAS member state](#).
 - Applicants from **Argentina** must fill out a required form through the following link; <http://www.oas.org/en/scholarships/PAEC/2018/NOTA-SOLICITUD-DGCIN-2017.doc> and send it to the [National Liaison Office \(ONE\)](#) in Argentina.

The following applicants are ineligible

- ⊗ Current OAS scholarship recipients;
- ⊗ GS/OAS staff and their immediate relatives or GS/OAS consultants; an
- ⊗ OAS Permanent officials and their immediate relatives.

▼ SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION CRITERIA:

- ✓ The merits and overall credentials of the candidate, including his/her academic and professional background;
- ✓ Geographical distribution of the applicants, taking into account the greater needs of the smaller and relatively less developed economies;
- ✓ Applicants whose essays portray the highest potential for impact upon return to their countries of origin; and
- ✓ Gender diversity.

▼ SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION PROCESS:

Selection Committee Cullen/CITEL and the OAS will select the scholarship awardees, based on the [criteria](#) listed above, based on the applications received. The names of the scholarship awardees will be published at www.oas.org/scholarships.

Notification of selected candidates The OAS will contact selected candidates by email with the scholarship offer and instructions for the scholarship acceptance form. **Applicants who are not selected will not be contacted.**

▼ **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT:**

- ✓ This scholarship will be formally awarded only after the selected awardees have signed a scholarship acceptance form, in which the awardees formally accept the scholarship and agree to its terms and conditions.
- ✓ Refrain from activities that are inconsistent with the status of an OAS Scholarship recipient, abiding by the regulations referred to in this Acceptance Form.
- ✓ Comply with all the academic guidelines and registration requirements requested by the Cullen and submit to the updates of these guidelines and requirements made by the academic authorities at Cullen.
- ✓ Comply with the provisions indicated in the "Financial responsibilities of scholarship recipients."
- ✓ The scholarship can be declined by the scholarship recipient before the start date of the course without financial penalties. However, if s/he declines the scholarship after that date without proof of force majeure, the OAS and Cullen may require the scholarship recipient to reimburse all funding granted to her/him with the scholarship at the time in which the declination is processed.
- ✓ Commitment to return to work in their sponsoring country or permanent legal residence in one of the OAS member states, or at an international organization, for at least 3 months. Failure to comply with this commitment, the GS/OAS and/or the Cullen could seek reimbursement for the total value of the scholarship awarded.

▼ **SCHOLARSHIP CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Questions about this scholarship opportunity should be sent to Cullen at sarah.vergote@cullen-international.com



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