

# Online Certification Courses for Ukrainian students and professionals

Programme to increase knowledge and expertise about financial inclusion and analysis, green finance, and sustainability

**Luxembourg and Frankfurt am Main, 14 September 2022** – The Development Facility of the European Fund for Southeast Europe (EFSE DF), the Green for Growth Fund Technical Assistance Facility (GGF TAF) and Frankfurt School of Finance and Management are pleased to launch a new scholarship programme providing an opportunity for professionals and students from Ukraine to become certified experts in the fields of financial inclusion and analysis, or green and sustainable finance.

The overall objective of the initiative is to develop expert capacities and thus enhance the economic potential of Ukraine and support its green economic reconstruction and sustainable development. The programme is designed to increase the knowledge and professional skills of Ukrainian employees, students, or unemployed professionals within financial, MSME and other sectors, as well as those interested in starting a career in green and sustainable finance. By providing access to recognized financial industry certification programs, the programme aims to boost the career prospects of Ukrainian nationals - both in and outside of Ukraine - and thereby support the economic potential of Ukraine during the reconstruction phase.

The programme is made available through the EFSE Entrepreneurship Academy together with the GGF Green Academy and is part of the “Stand with Ukraine” programme established by EFSE, GGF and the funds’ advisor, Finance in Motion. Under this program, EFSE and GGF will partner with other leading educational and certification program providers.

Thomas Reker, Chair of the EFSE Development Facility, said: “Education is key to success, and we strongly believe supporting Ukrainian nationals will enhance the economic potential of Ukraine and strengthen its financial and entrepreneurship ecosystems.”

On the GGF’s participation in the programme, Technical Assistance Facility Chairperson Klaus-Peter Pischke said: “We welcome Ukrainian participants of varying levels of professional experience in the fields of green finance, energy, technology, and policy to apply. For true sustainable economic development to ensue, we need to provide the resources necessary for the reconstruction of the country and address the direct needs of Ukrainian professionals and businesses.”

There will be several application phases, the first taking place in September, but please note that seats are limited in each intake, therefore all interested and eligible applicants are encouraged to refer to the online course website, here: [Online Certification Courses for Ukraine - A Joint Programme from Frankfurt School, GGF TAF and EFSE DF \(frankfurt-school.de\)](https://www.frankfurt-school.de/online-certification-courses-ukraine)

#### ABOUT THE EFSE DEVELOPMENT FACILITY

The Development Facility of the European Fund for Southeast Europe (EFSE DF) was created in 2006 to support the fund's development finance mandate. It deploys effective, targeted, and innovative technical assistance to maximise the impact and extent of the fund's development finance mandate in target countries. The EFSE Entrepreneurship Academy is an arm of the EFSE DF that specifically focuses providing entrepreneurs with the resources, training, opportunities for financial backing, and other means necessary to turn good ideas into successful enterprises.

Managed by impact asset manager Finance in Motion, the facility operates independently from the fund in a fiduciary arrangement under Luxembourg law. The Development Facility Committee, comprising members nominated by KfW Development Bank, the development bank of Austria OeEB, and the Dutch development bank FMO, is responsible for assessing and approving all project proposals and providing strategic guidance to the facility.

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#### ABOUT THE GGF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FACILITY

The GGF Technical Assistance Facility plays a key role in supporting the fund's promotion of energy efficiency, renewable energy and improved resource management by providing tailored advisory to the fund's partners, which include financial institutions, project developers and key energy sector players, to produce synergy with investments of the fund.

The facility operates hand in hand with the GGF, complementing its investments with the following activities: capacity development of GGF partners; validation and monitoring of energy and resource savings and CO2 emission reductions; strategic advice based on research; increasing the awareness and acceptance of green solutions in the financial sector and among the public.

Managed by impact asset manager Finance in Motion, the facility operates independently from the fund, governed by a fiduciary arrangement under Luxembourg law. The Technical Assistance Facility Committee, which represents the initiators of the fund and donors of the facility, takes all strategic and technical decisions with respect to the facility and provides strategic guidance to the facility manager.

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