

## Financing adult learning database

<b>Name of the instrument - Local language</b>	Državne štipendije. Kadrovske štipendije.
<b>Name of the instrument - English translation</b>	National scholarships, corporate scholarships
<b>Scheme ID</b>	198
<b>Country</b>	 Slovenia
<b>Reporting year</b>	2020
<b>Type of instrument</b>	Grant for individuals
<b>Sub-type of instrument</b>	Lump-sum support
<b>Type of entry</b>	Single instrument
<b>Short description</b>	<p>The Ministry of Labour, Family and Social Affairs offers national scholarships to young persons coming from socially and financially disadvantaged family backgrounds. The students up to 27 years old and the secondary school pupils up to 22 years old may apply. The eligible education and training activities cover fields of study offered by Slovene universities and high schools. Corporate scholarships are granted by employers, who want to ensure the development of appropriate staff and thus encourage the development of companies. High school pupils and students can also apply for this scholarship. The amount of basic scholarship varies from approx. EUR 36 per month up to approx. EUR 195 per month depending on the amount of average monthly income of the household in which the applicant resides. Beneficiaries may receive a bonus for success at university/school (from approx. EUR 17 per month up to approx. EUR 41 per month), a bonus of approx. EUR 82 per month in case a beneficiary's permanent residence is more than 25 km away from the educational institution. Additionally, beneficiaries with special needs receive a monthly bonus in the amount of approx. EUR 51.</p>
<b>Short description of the related instruments</b>	Not applicable
<b>Level of operation</b>	National
<b>Name of a part of the country</b>	Not applicable

<b>Name of the region (for regional instruments)</b>	Not applicable
<b>Name of the sector (for sectoral instruments)</b>	Not applicable
<b>Relevance</b>	Further instrument
<b>Legal basis</b>	Scholarship Act - Zakon o tipendiranju (Uradni list RS, t. 56/13 in 99/13 - ZUPJS-C)
<b>Objective(s) and target(s)</b>	In case of national scholarships: to help deprived and financially weaker society members to continue education.
<b>Year of implementation</b>	2013
<b>Operation/management</b>	The Ministry of Labour, Family, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities provide rules for obtaining national scholarships. Social Work Centres carry out the selection process (under the rules set by the Ministry) for national scholarships. Public Scholarship, Development, Disability and Maintenance Fund of the Republic of Slovenia connects employers who offer corporate scholarships and potential scholarship holders through a system "Izmenjevalnica" ("Exchange office").
<b>Eligible group(s)</b>	Slovene citizens, members of the Slovene diaspora, citizens of countries in the European Union, citizens of the European Economic Area (EEA), and citizens of third-world countries with a temporary or permanent residence permit in Slovenia. The age limit of candidates is 27 years for students and 22 for secondary school pupils. In the case of corporate scholarships, no age limit is set.
<b>Group(s) with preferential treatment</b>	Groups with preferential treatment for the national scholarships are students/secondary school pupils from socially and financially disadvantaged family backgrounds. Pupils/students from more financially disadvantaged family backgrounds receive higher scholarships. The criteria for selecting scholarship holders in case of corporate scholarships are determined by the scholarship holder (employer).
<b>Education and training eligible</b>	The criteria for selecting scholarship holders in the case of corporate scholarships are determined by the scholarship holder (employer).
<b>Source of financing and collection mechanism</b>	State budget, EU funds
<b>Financing formula and allocation mechanisms</b>	Every year in June, the Ministry publishes an open call to grant national scholarships, although the candidates applying for the first time can send the application throughout the whole year. The application and selection process is carried out under the appropriate branch of the Centre for Social Work. The money is transferred in advance to a learner's bank account. In the case of national scholarship, the financing formula depends on the amount of average monthly income of the household in which the applicant resides. The amount of basic

	scholarship varies from 35,84 EUR/month up to 194,56 EUR/month depending on the amount of average monthly income of the household in which the applicant resides. Beneficiaries may receive a bonus for success at university/school (from 17,41 EUR/month up to 40,96 EUR/month), a bonus of 81,92 EUR/month in case a beneficiary's permanent residence is more than 25 km away from the educational institution. Additionally, beneficiaries with special needs receive a monthly bonus in the amount of 51,20 EUR. In the case of corporate scholarships, the financing formula is set by the employer (and shall be in accordance with the Scholarship Act).
<b>Eligible costs</b>	All costs are eligible
<b>Volumes of funding</b>	Overall volumes of funding available 2017: EUR 70 621 0652018: EUR 67 876 4352019: EUR 70 201 776Overall volumes of funding actually disbursed:2017: EUR 70 621 0652018: EUR 67 876 4352019: EUR 70 201 776
<b>Beneficiaries/take up</b>	Total number of beneficiaries (national scholarships):2017: 46 983 (30 649 high school pupils, 16 334 students)2018: 46 361 (30 932 high school pupils, 15 429 students)2019: 50 715 (33 663 high school pupils, 17 052 students)
<b>Organisation responsible for monitoring/evaluation</b>	Ministry of Labour, Family, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities
<b>Monitoring/evaluation reports available</b>	Not available
<b>Most relevant webpage - in English</b>	<a href="http://www.culture.si/en/Government_of_the_Republic_of_Slovenia_Scholar...">http://www.culture.si/en/Government_of_the_Republic_of_Slovenia_Scholar...</a>
<b>Most relevant webpage - local language</b>	<a href="https://www.srips-rs.si/stipendije">https://www.srips-rs.si/stipendije</a>
<b>Recent changes</b>	No recent amendment Recent changes in response to COVID-19 No changes
<b>Sources</b>	<a href="https://www.gov.si teme/drzavna-stipendija/">https://www.gov.si teme/drzavna-stipendija/</a> <a href="http://www.culture.si/en/Government_of_the_Republic_of_Slovenia_Scholar...">http://www.culture.si/en/Government_of_the_Republic_of_Slovenia_Scholar...</a> <a href="https://www.srips-rs.si/en/scholarships/corporate-scholarships">https://www.srips-rs.si/en/scholarships/corporate-scholarships</a> <a href="https://www.scsd.si/en/about/">https://www.scsd.si/en/about/</a>