



CHANGING THE WORLD THROUGH EFFECTIVE & INNOVATIVE LEADERSHIP

MPA
SCHOLARSHIP FUND

OUR OPPORTUNITY

The MPA Scholarship Fund is a student initiative to create long-lasting societal change through the empowerment of women from the Global South involved in the world of policymaking. We seek to equip the female leaders of tomorrow with the tools that they need to construct a better tomorrow by offering a € 50,000 scholarship to SDA Bocconi, one of the world's leading management schools.

1.5%

Increase in annual GDP growth rate of developing countries if girls were invested in so they completed their education at the same rate as boys (World Bank)

97 US\$

BILLION

Losses to Sub-Saharan African countries due to gender inequality (UNDP)

OUR MISSION

Provide a scholarship for highly motivated women from the Global South to join SDA Bocconi's Master of Public Administration. Through participation in the program, these women become better equipped to enrich the public sector of their home countries, triggering positive spillover effects for society as a whole.

OUR VISION

Increase public sector participation amongst women in developing nations, creating sustainable social impact through gender equity in society. We aspire to support each scholarship candidate from application to graduation and beyond, thereby establishing a sustainable mechanism to fuel equity in leadership around the world.

OUR RESPONSE

- The scholarship recipient will acquire technical and professional skills in a multicultural environment, preparing her to face tomorrow's problems in a dynamic way.
- The country of origin and home institution of the scholarship recipient will benefit from the skills and experiences that she will gain from the MPA program.
- The scholarship recipient will enrich the Bocconi community by sharing her perspective and life experience, thus improving the MPA experience.
- Private sector partners will have the opportunity to invest in a more equitable and qualified workforce, creating a greater access to high-skilled workers.
- Public and non-profit sector partners will contribute to global gender parity and access to education through a collaboration with the MPA Women's Scholarship Fund.

OUR APPROACH

The MPA Women's Scholarship Fund proposes a partnership between SDA Bocconi University, socially minded private companies, and non-profit and public sector institutions interested in promoting gender equality in the Global South.

NGO

- Development NGOs are invited to promote candidates who could benefit from the program.
- Organize capstone project or internship program that directly benefits her community or country of origin.

PRIVATE SECTOR

- Private partners with special interests in creating gender parity in the workforce are able to contribute to that mission through support of this program.
- Investing in equal access to education for women creates a more qualified base of workers in the labor market, and therefore greater access to high skilled workers for private companies.

SDA BOCCONI

- SDA Bocconi will select the scholarship candidate and provide her with the academic, leadership building, and professional coaching.
- Enrich the School's student body with diversity of experiences.

BOCCONI WITHIN OUR REACH CAMPAIGN

Founded in 1902 thanks to a visionary endowment gift from entrepreneur Ferdinando Bocconi, Bocconi University aims to contribute to improving the world in which we live by pursuing fair, sustainable and practical solutions to the challenges facing today's society. To achieve this, Bocconi is investing in talented young people regardless of their background, in human capital and in research in order to stimulate economic growth, social mobility and equitable development.

These efforts are supported by a comprehensive fundraising campaign, which MPA Women's Scholarship Fund is part of. The Within Our Reach Campaign will raise €120 million by 2020 for Faculty & Research, Students, and our Campus and provides Alumni, friends, as well as international corporations and foundations, with opportunities to invest in the development of one of the most prestigious universities in Europe. Working together, our vision of putting knowledge and human capital to work in the service of all is within our reach.

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