

## **Competition rules**

### **"Santander Scholarship for Erasmus 2023" (the "Regulations")**

1. The organizer of the competition "Santander Scholarship for Erasmus 2023" is the Santander Bank Poland S.A. Foundation named after Ignacy Jan Paderewski Foundation Santander Bank Polska S.A. based in Warsaw, st. Aleja Jana Pawła II 17, 00-854 Warsaw, entered in the register of associations, other social and professional organizations, foundations and independent public health care institutions kept by the District Court for the Capital City of Warsaw in Warsaw, XII Economic Division of the National Court Register under No. 0000120807, NIP 8971635900, REGON 932198147, hereinafter referred to as the Organizer or the Foundation.

2. Partners of the competition are:

a. University of Warsaw based in Warsaw, address: Krakowskie Przedmieście 26/28 St., 00-927 Warsaw NIP 525-001-12-66, REGON 000001258;

b. The Adam Mickiewicz University of Poznań based in Poznań, address: Wieniawskiego 1 St., 61-712 Poznań, NIP: 777-000-63-50 , REGON: 000001293;

c. University of Łódź - based in Łódź, address Narutowicza 68 St., 90-136 Łódź NIP: 7240003243, REGON: 000001287, hereinafter referred to collectively as the Partners or the Universities.

#### **§ 1. Definitions**

1. Organizer, Foundation - The Ignacy Jan Paderewski Foundation of Santander Bank Polska S.A., with its headquarters at Al. Jana Pawła II17, 00-854 Warszawa.

2. Partners, Universities - University of Warsaw, The Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań, University of Łódź.

3 Programme - the 'Santander Scholarship for Erasmus 2023' competition organised by the Foundation with the support of Partners to help students who will participate in the 'Erasmus +' programme in the academic year 2023/2024, which promotes mobility and education within the European Union and increases their employability.

4. Santander Universidades - the Santander Group's global initiative to support higher education, implemented in Poland by Santander Bank Polska S.A. and the Foundation.

5. Santander Scholarships - a global platform available at [www.becas-santander.com/pl](http://www.becas-santander.com/pl), where information on the Programme can be found and only through which an effective application for the Programme can be sent.

6. Application to the Programme - completing the registration form and sending the application via the Santander platform, the successful submission of which is confirmed by Santander Scholarships by email to the Candidate's address.

7. Candidates - students of the University of Warsaw, the Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań or the University of Łódź applying for participation in the Programme.

8. Scholars - participants in the Programme awarded in accordance with the principles set out in §4.

#### **§ 2. General provisions**

1. A maximum of 75 students from the following universities will participate in the Programme:

- a) 30 students from the University of Warsaw,
- b) 25 students from the Adam Mickiewicz University,
- c) 20 students from the University of Łódź.

2. As part of the Programme, the Scholars will receive a one-off scholarship of PLN 2,500 (in words: two thousand five hundred 0/100 zlotys) gross, which will be paid in the academic year 2023/2024 by the participating Universities.

3. The programme is aimed at helping students who will participate in the Erasmus + programme in the academic year 2023/2024.

### **§ 3. Universities participating**

1. Participating universities are registered on the Santander Scholarships platform ([www.becas-santander.com/pl](http://www.becas-santander.com/pl)) and have accepted the General Conditions of Use of the portal (<https://www.becas-santander.com/pl/legal/terms.html>).

2. The participating universities are responsible for the allocation and management of the number of scholarships awarded to them, respecting the conditions contained in these Regulations, and for the coordination and management of the internal procedures necessary for the award and monitoring of the scholarships.

3. The application process for the Programme, the management of applications and the selection of participants will take place only through the Santander Scholarships platform available at: [www.becas-santander.com/pl](http://www.becas-santander.com/pl).

### **§ 4. Scholarship**

1. In the academic year 2023/2024, the Ignacy Jan Paderewski Foundation of Santander Bank Polska S.A., in the context of the Santander Universidades Programme, will transfer the amount of PLN 187,500 (in words: one hundred and eighty seven five hundred 0/100 zlotys), which will be divided into 75 scholarships of PLN 2,500 each and transferred to the Universities according to the distribution indicated in par. 2 para. 1.

2. The amount of the scholarship will be paid by the University to the Scholarship Holder's bank account indicated by the Scholarship Holder by the date before leaving abroad under the Erasmus+ Programme indicated in detail by the respective University.

3. The amount of the scholarship that Scholars will receive will be the same at all Universities (subject to income tax deduction, if applicable).

4. Scholarships will be awarded to 75 Scholars who are beneficiaries of the "Erasmus +" programme for studies or internships in the academic year 2023/2024 and who achieve the best academic results in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations.

5. Universities are guided by the academic results achieved by the student in the previous year, which the University will assess using internally established criteria.

6. The University is responsible for verifying compliance with the above requirements on the basis of the grantee's personal data available in the University's own databases.

7. Scholarship recipients of the Programme will be students of the University receiving an "Erasmus+" scholarship, who will have an Erasmus + stay abroad in the academic year 2023/2024 and who fulfil the criteria set out above.

8. If the Scholarship Recipient does not ultimately physically complete his/her stay under the Erasmus + Programme, he/she will be obliged to return the funds received under the Programme to the University. The University will be obliged to award this scholarship to another person, if possible, or will follow the guidelines described below in par. 6.

#### **§ 5. Programme management**

1. All Candidates are required to register via [www.becas-santander.com/pl](http://www.becas-santander.com/pl) and notification of the scholarship award will be sent by the University via the process management application provided to the Universities on the aforementioned website.

2. Candidates send their Application to the Programme from 2 November 2022 to 16 April 2023.

3. The University may establish additional requirements and follow the internal criteria applicable to the recruitment process for the Programme, in accordance with its own rules for the award of scholarships, provided that they comply with these Regulations.

4. The University is responsible for determining the importance assigned to a particular subject that affects the determination of the weighted average to be taken into account in the assessment of an application, or for determining another way of determining the average marks, in accordance with its internal regulations.

#### **§ 6. Awarding of scholarships to candidates**

1. The universities will select the Scholarship Recipients by 14 June 2023. Information on the award of the scholarship will be communicated to the Scholarship Recipient via the Santander Scholarships platform ([www.becas-santander.com/pl](http://www.becas-santander.com/pl)), who will have 7 calendar days to accept the scholarship on the platform.

2. In the event that a Scholarship Recipient resigns, the Universities may allocate the scholarship to another person following the criteria described in par. 6 para. 6 until 5 July 2023.

3. On 13 July 2023 (the "Deadline"), the allocation process of the Santander Scholarship for Erasmus 2023 will be completed.

4. If, before 13 July 2022, the University will have knowledge that not all the scholarships available to its students will be awarded, it will inform the Ignacy Jan Paderewski Foundation of Santander Bank Polska S.A. immediately so that other Universities participating in the Programme can award these scholarships to their students under the applicable rules.

5. Once the Deadline has passed, if not all scholarships have been awarded by the University, the University will immediately inform the Ignacy Jan Paderewski Foundation of Santander Bank Polska S.A. so that the Foundation can award a scholarship under the same conditions to another university. The said process will take place from 13 July 2023 to 20 July 2023. Any unused scholarships will be awarded to the universities, which will have until 30 July 2023 to award them to their students.

6. If a situation arises where the University awards all available scholarships but the student does not accept the scholarship awarded on the website, the University will have 7 working days to award the scholarships to another student who complies with the Program's requirements. A new student

awarded a scholarship in this way will have 7 days to accept the scholarship on [www.becas-santander.com/pl](http://www.becas-santander.com/pl).

7. If there are still unawarded scholarships at 30.09.2023, the University will be obliged to return the equivalent to the Ignacy Jan Paderewski Foundation of Santander Bank Polska S.A.

#### **§ 7. Protection of personal data**

1. The rules on the protection of personal data relating to the Programme are set out in the Privacy Policy of the Santander Scholarships Platform, available at [www.becas-santander.com/pl/legal/privacy](http://www.becas-santander.com/pl/legal/privacy).

#### **§ 8. Final provisions**

1. Participation in the Programme implies acceptance by the candidates of its rules and regulations.