



# INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION TRAINING FUNDING SOURCES

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Here is a list of organizations that may provide funding for international transportation professionals:

- **Category 1:** Obtain training at one of the outstanding USDOT training facilities;
- **Category 2:** Provide funding or technical assistance to international professionals who are in a formal degree program or have a reach beyond the transportation sector.



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## CATEGORY ONE

The following entities have been identified as organizations that offer funding resources for international transportation professionals to obtain training or technical assistance from USDOT facilities. The list contains the organization's name, a synopsis of the organization, the organization's web address, and information about the funding opportunity. Please contact the organization directly to obtain detailed information on their specific opportunity.

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Organization Name:

### **African Development Bank (AfDB)**

About the Organization:

The African Development Bank's (AfDB) mission is to help reduce poverty, improve living conditions for Africans and mobilize resources for the continent's economic and social development. With this objective in mind, the institution aims at assisting African countries – individually and collectively - in their efforts to achieve sustainable economic development and social progress.

Website:

[www.afdb.org](http://www.afdb.org)

Additional Details:

Previous transportation projects that have been funded, via grants and loans, include the Axle-Load Control Program along the Bamako-Ouagadougou-Accra road corridor and an upgrade of the Casablanca airport facilities in Morocco. For further details regarding potential training funding, visit the "Transport" sector of the "Topics and Sectors" webpage.

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Organization Name:

### **Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)**

About the Organization:

The IDB, established in 1959 to support the process of economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean, is the main source of multilateral financing in the region. The IDB Group provides solutions to development challenges by partnering with governments, companies and civil society organizations, thus reaching its clients, ranging from central governments to city authorities and businesses.

Website:

[www.iadb.org](http://www.iadb.org)

Additional Details:

IDB provides for grants or scholarships through technical cooperation programs or more than 40 sponsored trust funds. Applications for funding must be submitted by the Ministry responsible. Information about trust funds may be found at <http://www8.iadb.org/trustfunds/Funds/default.aspx>. Grants and scholarship information for technical cooperation programs may be found under the “Financial Products” section of the above website

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Organization Name:

**International Financial Facility for Aviation Safety (IFFAS), International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)**

About the Organization:

ICAO was established in 1944 by 52 nations whose aim was to assure the safe, orderly and economic development of international air transport. IFFAS was established as a work group within ICAO to provide for an international aeronautical monetary fund to finance investments in airport and air navigation services infrastructure. The IFFAS is a mechanism to provide financial support toward achieving the objectives of improving aviation safety through the implementation of the necessary measures mainly identified by the Universal Safety Oversight Audit Program.

Website:

[www.icao.int/iffas/](http://www.icao.int/iffas/)

Additional Details:

Funding may be offered in the form of loans or grants. Previously selected projects have been regional or sub-regional in nature and have included operational safety in North Asia, recruitment of safety professionals in South Asia, Banjul Accord and the Economic and Monetary Union of West Africa. An application may be downloaded at [http://www.icao.int/icao/en/atb/iffas/ApplicationForm\\_en.pdf](http://www.icao.int/icao/en/atb/iffas/ApplicationForm_en.pdf) and submitted via email at [iffas@icao.int](mailto:iffas@icao.int).

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Organization Name:

**International Maritime Organization (IMO)**

About the Organization:

A specialized agency of the United Nations with 169 Member States and three Associate Members, IMO is based in the United Kingdom with around 300 international staff. IMO's main task has been to develop and maintain a comprehensive regulatory framework for shipping and its remit today includes safety, environmental concerns, legal matters, technical co-operation, maritime security and the efficiency of shipping.

Website:

[www.imo.org](http://www.imo.org)

Additional Details:

IMO offers fellowships for maritime training, usually for attendance at training institutions, through its Integrated Technical Co-operation Program (ITCP). Donor countries or organizations also make available through IMO individual fellowships in various maritime disciplines at specific institutions. The fellowships are awarded globally but only for candidates nominated by their governments. For full descriptions of the fellowships available, visit the “Fellowship” section of the IMO webpage. Additional inquiries on general fellowships or fellowships offered by national governments should be addressed to the Head, Personnel and Fellowships Unit, [pslessor@imo.org](mailto:pslessor@imo.org).

## CATEGORY TWO

The following entities have been identified as organizations that provide transportation funding for individuals who are enrolled in a formal degree program or who have funding for participation in international programs beyond the transportation sector and have not delineated the criteria for participation. The organization's program administrator will need to be contacted to obtain additional details. The list contains the organization's name, a synopsis of the organization, the organization's web address, and information about the funding opportunity. Please contact the organization directly to obtain detailed information on their specific opportunity.

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Organization Name:

### **Asian Development Bank (ADB)**

About the Organization:

ADB is an international development finance institution whose mission is to help its developing member countries reduce poverty and improve the quality of life of their people.

Website:

[www.adb.org](http://www.adb.org)

Additional Details:

The ADB supports several regional transportation projects as a facilitator of funding and regional cooperation. One working group is the Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation (CAREC) Transport Sector Coordinating Committee. Direct information regarding potential funding will be best obtained by contacting an in-country field officer.

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Organization Name:

### **United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)**

About the Organization:

ESCAP is the regional development arm of the United Nations for the Asia-Pacific region. With a membership of 62 Governments, 58 of which are in the region, and a geographical scope that stretches from Turkey in the west to the Pacific island nation of Kiribati in the east, and from the Russian Federation in the north to New Zealand in the south, ESCAP is the most comprehensive of the United Nations' five regional commissions.

Website:

[www.unescap.org](http://www.unescap.org)

Additional Details:

The Transport Division works with member countries, including the public and private sector stakeholders to help them to optimize and manage the opportunities brought by the deepening globalization. The Transport Division may be reached via <http://www.unescap.org/ttdw/index.asp>.

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Organization Name:

## **The United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)**

About the Organization:

ESCWA is comprised of 13 Arab countries in Western Asia: Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman, Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, the Syrian Arab Republic, the United Arab Emirates and Yemen.

Website:

[www.escwa.un.org](http://www.escwa.un.org)

Additional Details:

The Transport and Trade Section supports member countries in their efforts in developing and implementing of the Integrated Transport System in the Arab Mashreq (ITSAM), facilitating cross-border flows of goods, achieving regional integration, and enhancing participation in the multilateral trading system. The Section provides a range of technical assistance and capacity-building services to the member countries in different transport and trade-related areas, including the implementation of ITSAM, transport and trade facilitation, and accession to WTO. The transportation and Trade Program Coordinator may be reached at <http://www.escwa.un.org/translinkages>.

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Organization Name:

## **United States Agency for International Development (USAID)**

About the Organization:

USAID is an independent federal government agency that receives overall foreign policy guidance from the Secretary of State. Their Work supports long-term and equitable economic growth and advances U.S. foreign policy objectives by supporting economic growth, agriculture and trade; global health; and democracy, conflict prevention and humanitarian assistance.

Website:

[www.usaid.gov](http://www.usaid.gov)

Additional Details:

Each year, USAID supports the training of hundreds of thousands of host country individuals. Programs are mostly short-term (technical training, study visits, leadership development, public diplomacy) but also long-term (academic degree studies, non-degree research or leadership programs), held in the United States, the home country, or a third country. Participants are drawn from the public or private sector and may be mid- and high-level managers, local leaders, teachers and education administrators, technicians, and NGO staff. All training helps individuals acquire new skills, knowledge, and attitudes critical to the achievement of

Mission goals. Additional information regarding participant training can be found at [http://www.usaid.gov/our\\_work/education\\_and\\_universities/participant\\_training](http://www.usaid.gov/our_work/education_and_universities/participant_training)

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Organization Name:

## **United States Trade and Development Agency (USTDA)**

About the Organization:

USTDA is an independent U.S. Government foreign assistance agency that is funded by the U.S. Congress. The mission is to promote economic growth in developing and middle income countries, while simultaneously helping American businesses to export their products and services, thereby creating U.S. jobs. In addition, USTDA supports U.S. policy objectives related to development and capacity building activities. USTDA provides grant funding to overseas project sponsors for the planning of projects that support the development of modern infrastructure and an open trading system.

Website:

[www.ustda.gov](http://www.ustda.gov)

Additional Details:

USTDA advances economic development and U.S. commercial interests in developing and middle-income countries. The agency funds various forms of technical assistance, early investment analysis, training, orientation visits and business workshops that support the development of a modern infrastructure and a fair and open trading environment. In fiscal year 2008, USTDA funded 45 transportation-related activities. The transportation funding sector homepage may be found at <http://www.ustda.gov/program/sectors/transportation.asp>.

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Organization Name:

## **World Bank**

About the Organization:

The World Bank is a vital source of financial and technical assistance to developing countries around the world. Our mission is to fight poverty with passion and professionalism for lasting results and to help people help themselves and their environment by providing resources, sharing knowledge, building capacity and forging partnerships in the public and private sectors. The World Bank is not a bank in the common sense; it is made up of two unique development institutions owned by 186 member countries: the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) and the International Development Association (IDA).

Website:

[www.worldbank.org](http://www.worldbank.org)

Additional Details:

The Transport Sector constitutes a significant part of the World Bank's portfolio, with the lending of US\$36.7 billion (more than 15 percent of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and International Development Association commitments) since 2000. Additional information can be found at [www.worldbank.org/transport](http://www.worldbank.org/transport)

We thank you for visiting USDOT's training resource  
guide and list of potential funding sources.

We wish you the best as you pursue your transportation training. We hope one  
of our training institutions can be of assistance to you.



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