

## International Development, Post-Conflict Societies, Decentralization, Conflict resolution- Kosovo and the Balkans

AAB Summer School on Democracy and Development: International Development, Decentralization Conflict Resolution and Post-Conflict Societies – Kosovo and the Balkans is an educational program that provides students enrolled in a university outside of Kosovo and the region with the opportunity to spend two weeks in Kosovo studying and learning about development in practice in a post-conflict area right in the middle of Europe. Participants of the program will also visit three other Balkans countries, Albania (listed no. 4 in the New York Times' list of places to go in 2014) and Macedonia. The AAB Summer School on Democracy and Development is modeled after the Balkans Peace Program, which was initiated and run by TBG Foundation between 2012 and 2016.

The program consists of three key components:

- 1. **one academic course** (of 4 ECTS credits) on *International Development,* Decentralization Politics, Conflict Resolution and Post-Conflict Societies: Kosovo and the Balkans and meetings with government officials in Kosovo;
- 2. a tour of historic and tourist sites of Kosovo, Albania, and Macedonia;
- 3. **cultural immersion** students will be paired with local students;
- 4. **publication opportunity** 10 best essays will be published in the international scientific review "Thesis" in autumn edition provided you submit your AAB Summer School paper (essay) in time and as per given guidelines, you may be included in the Thesis 2017 edited book scheduled to be published in the fall of 2017.

AAB Summer School 2017 takes place from **14 to 27 August 2017**. Participants will be accommodated in the Pristina area, the largest city in Kosovo, with a population of over 400 000.

For more information you can check https://iss.aab-edu.net/