

Call for Scholarship Applications for InFiNe.lu Members to attend HBS – ACCION Program on Strategic Leadership in Inclusive Finance Harvard Business School

Sunday, March 31, 2019 – Friday, April 5, 2019

**Deadline for Application for the InFiNe.lu Scholarship Sunday 18th November
at midnight**

The goal of InFiNe.lu Scholarship Program is to enable InFiNe.lu members to strengthen expertise in Luxembourg to advance inclusive finance.

InFiNe.lu offers 1 complementary scholarship to a senior level employee from an InFiNe.lu member organisation to attend the five-day immersion Program on Strategic Leadership in Inclusive Finance organised by Harvard Business School (HBS) and Accion. The program takes place in Boston from March 31st to April 5th, 2019.

The total cost of the program fee is USD 8 350 (accommodation, school fee). InFiNe.lu scholarship will cover half of the program fee, i.e. USD 4 175. The successful grantee will have to cover the remaining USD 4 175 and the cost of transportation from Luxembourg to Boston.

1. Program on Strategic Leadership in Inclusive Finance

The program marries the best in strategic business thinking with the most important advances in financial inclusion and impact investing through:

- An immersion in the financial inclusion industry and the operations of leading financial institutions that server lower income clients;
- Examination of how new business models in this space, especially technology-enhanced models, succeed or flounder;
- Addressing key challenges of doing business at the base of the pyramid.

For more information about the program:

<https://www.centerforfinancialinclusion.org/about/what-we-do/hbs-accion-program-on-strategic-leadership-in-inclusive-finance/>

2. InFiNe.lu scholarship application

2.1. Eligibility criteria

InFiNe.lu scholarship is open to the following candidates:

- Senior employees **working for an organisation member of InFiNe.lu at the time of application and of the training;**
- With already an expertise on financial inclusion topics;

- Fluent in written and spoken English;
- Not having received an InFiNe.lu scholarship in the past.

2.2. Guidelines to apply for InFiNe.lu scholarship

Before Sunday November 18th, 2018 at midnight, the candidate must send:

- a curriculum vitae of maximum 2 pages in English;
- a motivation letter in English demonstrating, *inter alia*:
 - the explicit link between her/his professional background and her/his participation to the training;
 - how the participation and the content of the programme will be useful to his/her professional development;
 - your willingness and ability to represent InFiNe.lu and the Luxembourg inclusive finance sector during the training.
- a support letter from the employer.

The application must be sent by email indicating in the subject line **“HBS-Accion Program 2019 Scholarship Application”** to:

Julie Bouchat
Executive Manager
Inclusive Finance Network Luxembourg
julie.bouchat@infine.lu

Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

2.3. Selection Process and Notification

- All applications will be reviewed by InFiNe.lu;
- Shortlisted applicant will be invited for a Skype or telephone interview with a selection committee composed of InFiNe.lu members representatives;
- The successful candidate will be notified after the selection committee.

Important note:

- **The successful candidate is responsible to apply directly online to HBS-Accion Program on Strategic Leadership in Inclusive Finance:**
<https://www.centerforfinancialinclusion.org/about/what-we-do/hbs-accion-program-on-strategic-leadership-in-inclusive-finance/hbs-accion-program-application/>
- Harvard Business School application deadline is **January 11th, 2019**;
- **The InFiNe.lu scholarship is conditional to her/his final admission to the program.**

2.4. Follow up of the Scholarship

The successful candidate will have to:

- publish articles during the training about what she/he is learning on the InFiNe.lu website and social networks;
- submit a max. 5 pages report about the training and present it to the InFiNe.lu board after her/his participation to the Executive Program;
- make a presentation to InFiNe.lu members after her/his return.

2.5. Information

For information regarding the InFiNe.lu scholarship programme, you can send an email to contact@infine.lu

2.6. Data Protection – How InFiNe.lu will use your personal data

InFiNe.lu will use your personal data to process this application and, if successful, to arrange the receipt of an InFiNe.lu scholarship, monitor your grant, contact you about your participation in the chosen training.

As part of the process of dealing with your application, your data will be transferred to the Selection committee composed of representatives from InFiNe.lu members who will review the applications and will select the successful candidate. Names of the successful applicant will be also communicated to the manager of the executive program.

By applying to InFiNe.lu scholarship program you consent that your data will be kept for the scholarship selection process.

InFiNe.lu publishes the name of the successful grantee, the purpose of the grant and the grant amount.

InFiNe.lu will keep your data secure and retain it for no longer than is necessary for the purposes for which it is processed.

In accordance with the amended law of 2 August 2002, you have the right to access, modify or oppose any processing of your personal data. To make use of these rights, you can contact InFiNe.lu at the following address: contact@infine.lu