



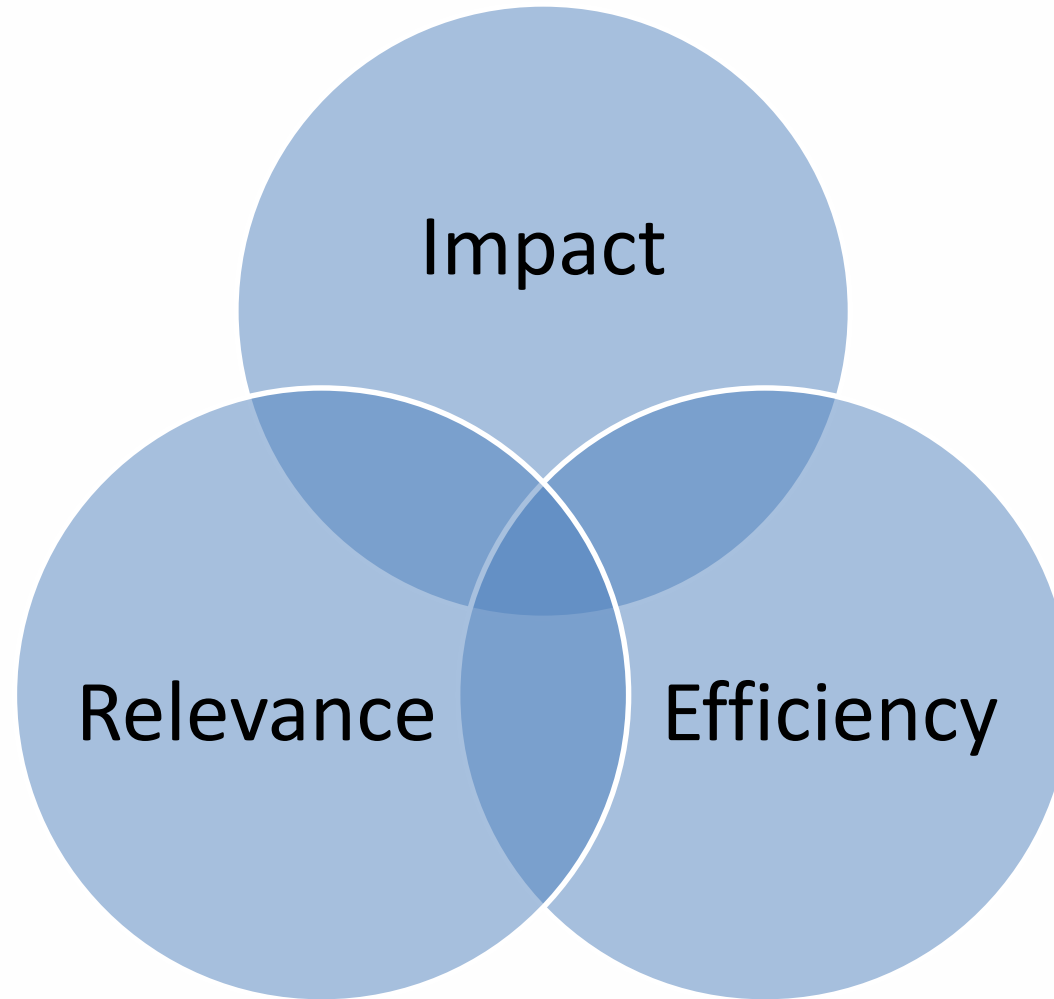
OSCE ACADEMY
in Bishkek



Report to the OSCE Permanent Council

23 July 2026

The OSCE Academy Today



Relevance

Academy's work is becoming ever more relevant

- Central Asia's growing regional co-operation momentum,
- Heightened relevance of security, peace and conflict-resolution worldwide,
- 3 MA + 1 BA programmes with international faculty and students,
- Curriculum updated for security, governance, and regional integration.

Academy students internship hosts (among others) in 2026

International organizations

- OSCE, ODIHR
- EU Delegation
- ICRC

Think tanks & research centres

- NUPI and GCSP
- ECMI, ENC, EURAC,
- Georg Eckert Institute

Universities & academic partners

- University of Central Asia
- Ibn Haldun University

Government & regional bodies

- Ministries and CAREC offices across Central Asia, Eldik Bank, Ombudsman Office of KGZ

State of the Art

MA Programmes

- Politics and Security
- Economic Governance and Development
- Human Rights and Sustainability

BA Programme

- Economics

Class of 2025-7 Enrollment

- **Graduate students:** 47 (30 female, 17 male)
- **Undergraduate students:** 38 (25 female, 13 male) (Two cohorts.)

Faculty

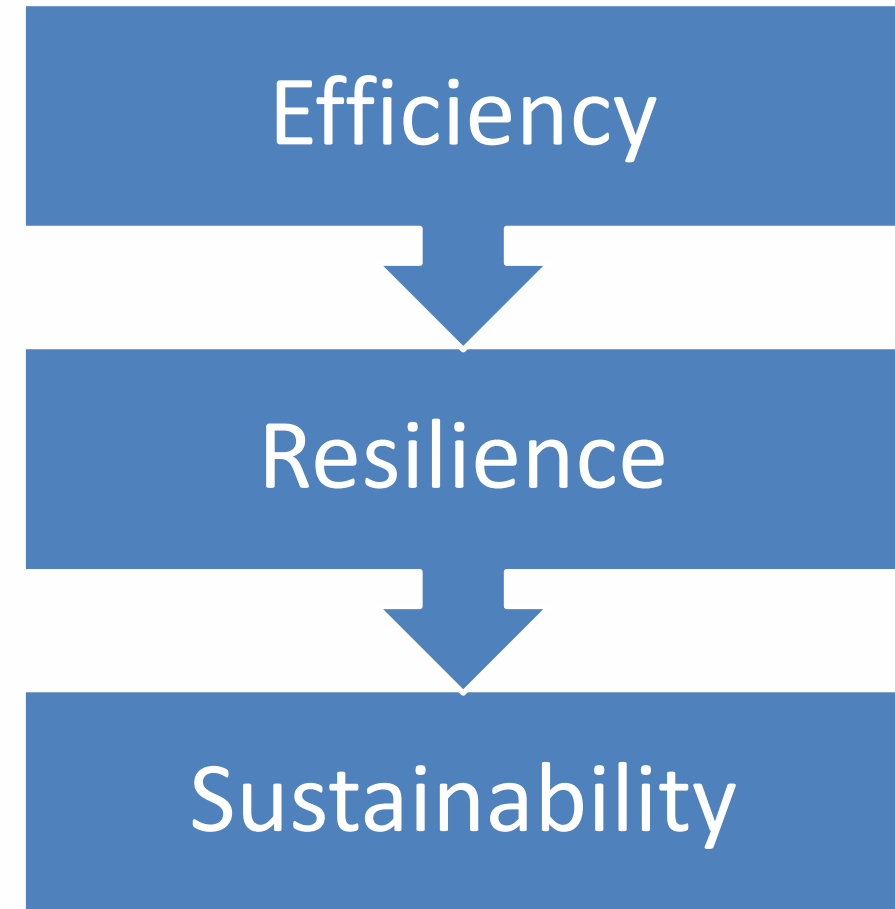
- A small permanent faculty (Germany, Hungary, Kyrgyzstan).
- Visiting lecturers: Citizens of Austria, Germany, Italy, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Montenegro, the Netherlands, Norway, Republic of South Africa, Russian Federation, Spain, Türkiye, and Uzbekistan.

★ Tuition-free education and stipends

★ The Academy was ranked as the top HEI in Kyrgyzstan based on the national test scores of admitted students.

Efficiency

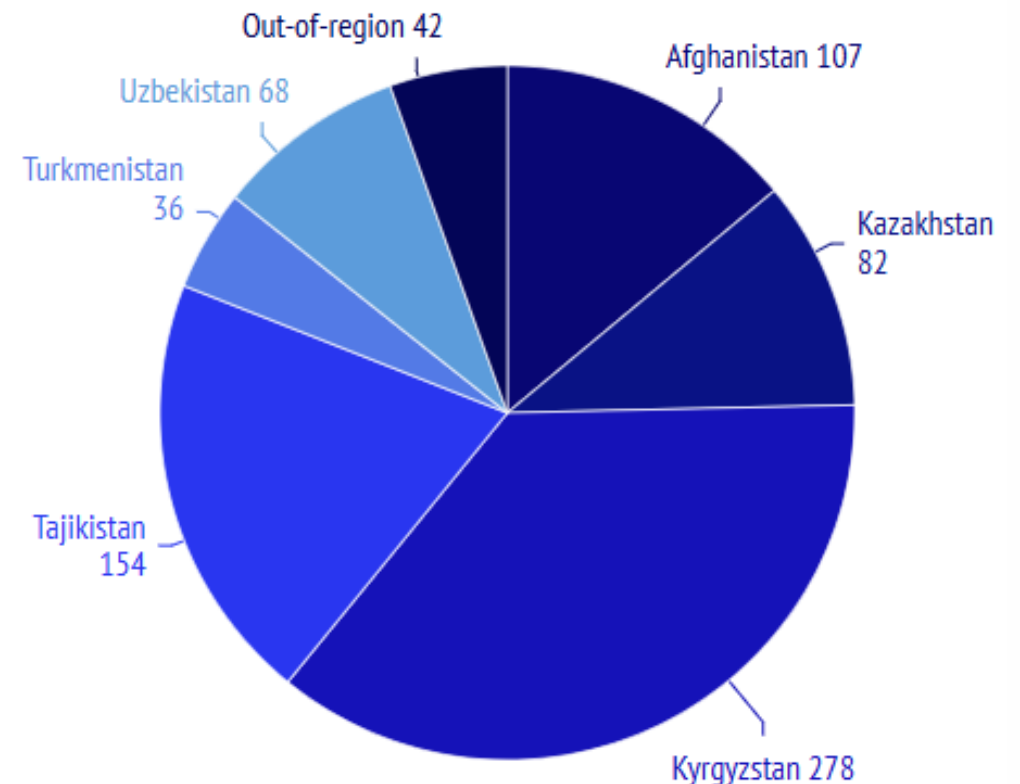
- Small, focused team and lean budget
- Top priorities: diversification of funding sources and cost optimisation
- Consolidation and management reform → greater resilience
- Clear goal: more impact, long-term sustainability



Impact

- **24 years of continuous work** – the OSCE's longest-standing implementation partner
- **767 alumni: 415 women and 352 men contributing to regional stability and development**
 - 39 OSCE staff (27 in Central Asian field operations)
 - Graduates at Harvard, LSE, Groningen, Ruhr Univ.
 - Former minister; Head of ICRC in Kyrgyzstan.

Where do the Academy alumni come from?



Alumni Highlight – Alumnus of the Year 2025

Dr. Nurlan Kabdylkhak (Kazakhstan)

- Assistant Professor at Stony Brook University, New York

“Although I enjoyed history classes, I never imagined studying the subject formally or building a career in academia. That changed at the OSCE Academy. There, I encountered a wide range of exciting and thought-provoking scholarly works that opened my eyes to the possibilities of academic research. Equally transformative were the conversations I had with my fellow Central Asian classmates. Through these exchanges, I became deeply interested in how official historical narratives, almost always framed through national perspectives, influence our understanding of a shared past.



International Visibility: Scholarly Engagements

Academy hosted two Annual Security Conferences

- 25 - 26 November 2025 - “Coming of Age: Central Asia and the OSCE in a Shifting Security Landscape” (with the support and contribution of the POiB, NUPI, and the University of Siena),
- 25 - 26 June 2026 – “Central Asia in a Fractured Eurasia: Intra- and Extra-regional Cooperation” (with the support and contribution of the POiB, the Swiss Chair, and the Swiss Embassy in Kyrgyzstan).

Academy-based scholars presented at partner universities and think tanks:

- CAREC Technology Forum (Kyrgyzstan); Lund University (Sweden); Charles University (Czech Republic); International Conference on Climate Change, Justice and Human Rights in Yerevan (Armenia); Regional Conference “Education for Peace and Security” (Kyrgyzstan); DSCU (U.S.); GCSP (Switzerland); NATO School (Germany).

Publication Highlights

9 Policy Briefs published, including:

- *Youth and Environmental Security* (No. 110)
- *Glacier Retreat in Tajikistan* (No. 112)
- *Empowering Young Women in Peacebuilding* (No. 113)
- *Household Clean Energy Adoption* (No. 114)

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*International Law, Politics and Security in Central Asia:
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Region* Edited by Sergey Sayapin

General Publications:

- *SalamAlum Magazine*
- *Annual Report 2025*



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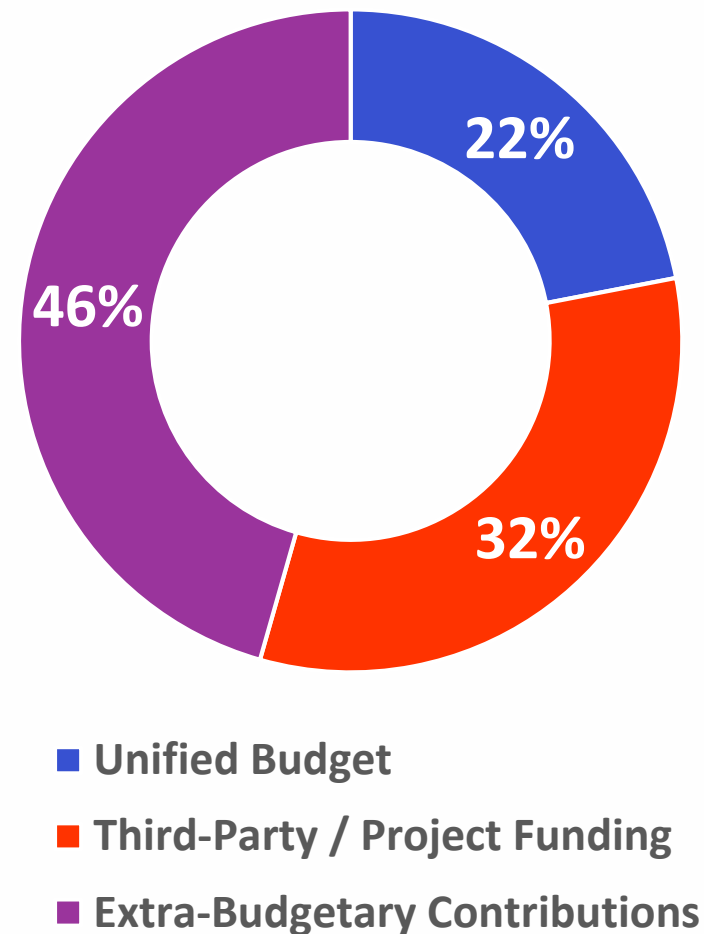
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Financial Situation 2026

Projected Expenditure by Source, 2026 (EUR)

Funding Source	2026 (Estimate)
UB (Unified Budget)	465,000
Third-Party / Project Funding	687,314
Extra-Budgetary Pledges	965,461
Total Operational Budget	2,117,775



Thank you



OSCE Academy in Bishkek – 2026
Graduating MA Classes: 50 graduates
15- MAEGD, 16 – MAHRS, 19 – MAPS