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*We also offer the ATLANTIS Programme: a double degree in Rural Development and Agricultural Economics with the opportunity to study in Europe and the US. More information on <http://www.transatlantis.ugent.be>



International Msc. in Rural Development

The Joint **International Master in Rural Development** (IMRD), part of the European Erasmus Mundus programme, offers the opportunity to study the international vision on rural development in its diversity of approaches and applications.

The programme each year rewards a number of **scholarships** provided by the European Commission to the most promising students.



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Deadline scholarship applications: end of February

Deadline self funding applications: end of June



WHAT?

IMRD is a **2 year master programme** (120 ECTS) jointly organised by six leading European institutes in Agricultural Economics and Rural Development, and this in collaboration with partners in the United States, China, Ecuador, India and South Africa.

OBJECTIVES & OUTCOMES

- to **become a specialist** in integrated rural development
- to specialize in **agricultural sociology, economics, policy** and **decision making**
- the opportunity **to compare international visions** on rural development in its diversity of approaches and applications through a **high extent of worldwide mobility** at the partner universities
- to obtain **practical experience** through a **1 month case study** in Italy or Slovakia
- to become part of an **international network** of experts in agronomics and rural development
- to obtain a **competitive advantage** when **working** in international organizations who deal with issues of global development, food trade and production of bio-resources, international food policies, etc...

HOW?

You will receive a combination of basic and specialized training in **technical, economic and social sciences**, through a high extent of **student mobility**, making it possible to learn from specialists **worldwide**.

Additionally you participate in a **case study** of one month, and edit your individual **master dissertation**.

1st year	GENERAL ENTRANCE MODULE SEMESTER I 25-35 ECTS	
	Ghent University	
IMRD	ADVANCED MODULE I SEMESTER II 15-40 ECTS	
	any partner university	thesis partner university
2nd year	CASE STUDY SUMMER COURSE 10 ECTS	
	University of Pisa or Slovak University of Agriculture	
IMRD	ADVANCED MODULE II SEMESTER III 15-40 ECTS	
	thesis partner university	any partner university
	MASTER DISSERTATION SEMESTER IV 30 ECTS	
	Thesis partner university	

WHO CAN APPLY?

Applicants must have a **Bachelor's degree of minimum 3 years** and comply with our minimum requirements in **English**.

Candidates are expected to have **basic science training in the following fields**:

- (1) mathematics and/or statistics,
- (2) agronomy and/or biology and/or environmental sciences,
- (3) social sciences and/or rural development and/or economy.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Full Erasmus Mundus Scholarships * +
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