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A Message from The President

“GLOBSEC has been promoting public-private dialogue by putting together right stakeholders and leaders across multiple sectors at one place to exchange ideas freely. We have worked hard to earn a reputation as a trusted partner to governments, organisations and private sector around the world. As a platform representing the constructive voice of CEE we shape ideas into real-life agendas and policies.”

Róbert Vass,
President and Founder, GLOBSEC



Our Story

GLOBSEC is an action-oriented policy institution established in Central Europe, with an international presence in **Bratislava, Brussels, Vienna, Kyiv, Prague and Washington D.C.** Over the years, GLOBSEC has evolved into Central Europe's leading policy institute and the host of world-class events and convenings.

1993: SAC – Slovak Atlantic Council

2005: GLOBSEC Bratislava Forum

2009: Château Béla Central European Strategic Forum

2014: GLOBSEC Tatra Summit

2016: GLOBSEC Policy Institute

2020: GLOBSEC Brussels

2021: GLOBSEC Vienna

2022: GLOBSEC US Foundation/GLOBSEC Washington DC

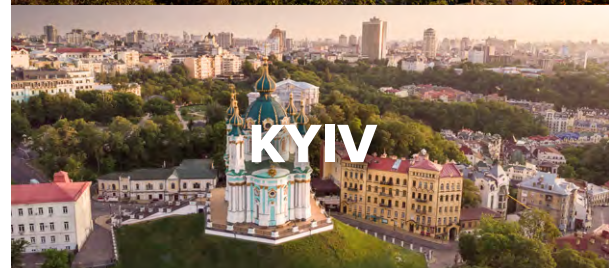
2022: GLOBSEC Kyiv



Who We Are

GLOBSEC is the leading **action-oriented policy institution** born in Central Europe with partnerships across the region and beyond. We are the HUB for collaborative research between associated experts, academics leaders, influencers, and leaders from public and private sectors, who **drive policy change** while working on the most pressing challenges of today and tomorrow.

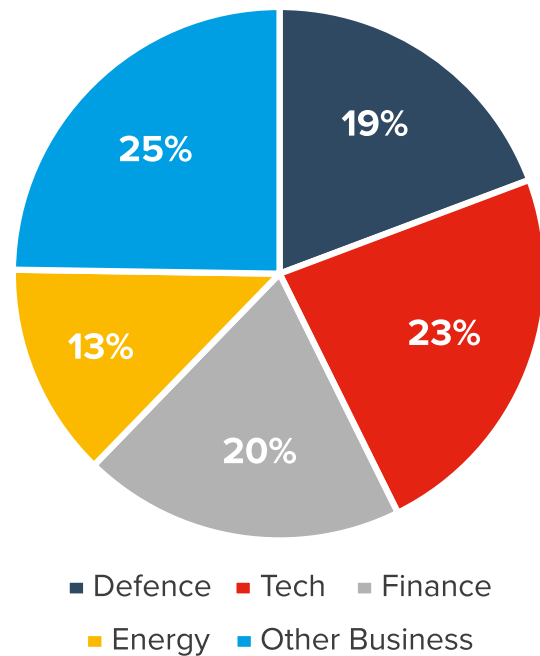
With more **than 80 people** from **13 nationalities** and a **wide network of affiliated experts** and public and private sector leaders, we have created a truly global community **that strives to leave a legacy by making a positive impact** and driving policy change.



Funding and Partners

- ▶ GLOBSEC's independent and non-partisan status is maintained through its transparent and project-based funding.
- ▶ The funding for GLOBSEC comes from a number of sources such as endowment, flagship conferences, memberships as well as from grants, projects and our initiatives.
- ▶ None of our donors provide more than 10% of our financial resources.
- ▶ In 2023 corporate partners represented 42% of the total income. Institutions (including governments) contributed 38%, and approximately 20% of the total income came from foundations and NGOs.

Distribution of sectors on private funding in 2023



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What We Do

GLOBSEC represents the constructive voice of CEE and aspires to influence the future by generating new ideas and drive policy changes for a more resilient, prosperous and sustainable world by:

- ▶ Conducting **world-class action-oriented policy research** and advocacy
- ▶ Driving change by **engaging multisectoral leaders** and policymakers in our policy initiatives
- ▶ **Facilitating public-private dialogue** on a global level.
- ▶ Facilitating and engaging with a **global network** to bridge the CEE and trans-atlantic partnerships



Shaping the Future of Europe with E. Macron



NATO Engages, London, 2019



NATO Engages: The Kosice Dialogue with J. Stoltenberg



Legacy of 1989: Courage to be Free with M. Pompeo

GLOBSEC US Foundation

GLOBSEC US Foundation is a US non-profit organisation based in **Washington D.C.** to promote transatlantic collaboration.



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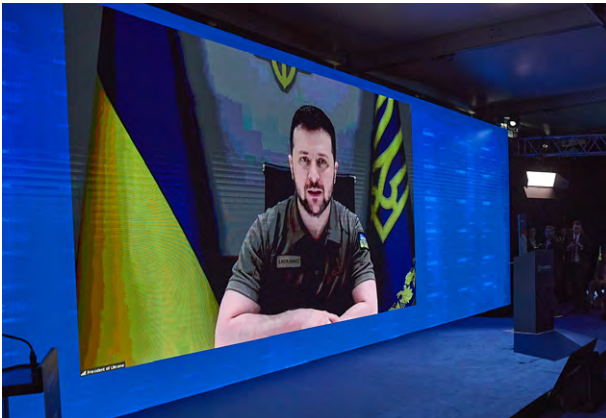
GeoTech Center

Led by General John R. Allen, the GLOBSEC GeoTech Center seeks to align Europe and the U.S. in their approaches to future defining technologies. It aims to more effectively shape the global norms for development and integration of these technologies in the transatlantic space.

World-Class Events and Convenings

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GLOBSEC Forum

- ▶ Prominent annual international conference dedicated to **promoting international dialogue and cooperation** to enhance global security and prosperity
- ▶ Alongside the main stage sessions, the Forum features various **side events and exclusive brainstorming sessions**, all aimed at generating workable solutions and formulating strategic plans for the future
- ▶ Renowned for being one of the foremost **dialogue platforms** in Europe



**OVER 2000
PARTICIPANTS
FROM OVER 70
COUNTRIES**



**MORE THAN 100
JOURNALISTS FROM
OVER 30 COUNTRIES**



**3 MAIN STAGES
AND 40 PANEL
DISCUSSIONS**



**MORE THAN 100
SIDE SESSIONS
AND MEETINGS**



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AND PRIVATE MEETINGS**



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EVENTS**



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PRIME MINISTERIAL
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DELEGATIONS**



Throughout its history, GLOBSEC's guests have included Volodymyr Zelenskyy, Ursula von der Leyen, Pope Francis, Jens Stoltenberg, Emmanuel Macron, Olaf Scholz, Donald Tusk, Zuzana Čaputová, Karl Nehammer, Arturs Krišjānis Kariņš, Subrahmanyam Jaishankar, Kersti Kaljulaid, Harjit Sajjan, the late Madeleine Albright, Margrethe Vestager, Joseph Nye, Timothy Garton Ash, Paul Collier, Francis Fukuyama, Brad Smith, and countless other influential stakeholders.

GLOBSEC Tatra Summit

- ▶ Impactful annual gathering with high-level participation that focuses on shaping the **economic policy agenda in Europe, promoting sustainable growth, and fostering innovation**
- ▶ Platform for policymakers, industry leaders and senior business executives to enhance **collaboration between the public and private sectors** to address economic challenges
- ▶ This intimate, informal and invitation-only retreat brings together up to **200 influential leaders and stakeholders** in a beautiful setting of High Tatras



Château Béla Central European Strategic Forum

- ▶ Prestigious annual retreat held at the historic Château Béla in southern Slovakia
- ▶ **Unique platform for structured dialogue**, where key policy makers, thinkers and business leaders from different fields and countries gather to **discuss current challenges**, ideas and solutions
- ▶ The Forum includes **informal fireside debates**, dinner and lunch **discussions**, several thematic breakout sessions and **closed-door meetings**



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Programme

Areas

Future of Security Programme

GLOBSEC's Future of Security Programme addresses **contemporary security challenges through strategic policy development, expert analysis, and collaborative initiatives.** By facilitating dialogue among policymakers, military leaders, and security experts, and through research, high-level events, and policy recommendations, it aims to **foster innovative solutions for hybrid threats, cybersecurity, and defense cooperation,** contributing to a safer international environment.

- ▶ **GLOBSEC Future Security and Defence Council**
- ▶ **Public-Private Sector Dialogues**
- ▶ **Cyber Resilience Initiative**
- ▶ **Partnering organisation of the NATO Public Foras in Warsaw (2016), London (2019), Washington D.C. (2024)**

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Centre for Democracy and Resilience

The mission of GLOBSEC's Democracy and Resilience Programme is to safeguard fundamental democratic principles and promote resilience in an era dominated by digital influence. **Through research in very vulnerable region of the CEE our work focuses on areas such as information operations, hybrid threats, election integrity, and social media transparency and regulation.** The programme aims to drive positive transformations towards stronger, more adaptable democracies.

- ▶ **GLOBSEC Trends: Measuring Public Attitudes across CEE Region**
- ▶ **Building Resilience to Foreign Malign Influence**
- ▶ **Future of Democracy and Technology**

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Economy and Business Programme

GLOBSEC's Economy and Business Programme addresses **energy, infrastructure development, health, and innovations through strategic policy initiatives, expert analysis, and collaborative efforts**. By engaging with business leaders, policymakers, and experts, and through high-level events, research, and actionable recommendations, it aims to enhance economic stability and progress.

- ▶ **Healthcare Readiness Index**
- ▶ **Infrastructure Development Council**
- ▶ **Danube Tech Valley Initiative**
- ▶ **Energy Programme**

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Global Europe Programme

GLOBSEC's Global Europe Programme focuses on shaping the future of Europe in the global context. Through analysis, strategic dialogues, and policy recommendations, it seeks to **advance Europe's role as a key player in global affairs**, fostering cooperation and addressing pressing challenges.

- ▶ **GLOBSEC's EU Task Force**
- ▶ **CEE Her Initiative**
- ▶ **Global Europe Initiative'**



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Ukraine Programme

GLOBSEC's Ukraine Programme is dedicated to supporting the country's recovery efforts, particularly **addressing issues such as PTSD and demining initiatives. GLOBSEC was historically the first organisation to launch an office and new initiatives in Kyiv after the events of 24 February 2022.** Through advocacy, research, and collaborative projects, it aims to assist Ukraine in overcoming the aftermath of conflict, **fostering resilience, and promoting sustainable peace and stability in the region.**

- ▶ **Humanitarian Demining in Ukraine**
- ▶ **PTSD and Veterans of Ukraine**
- ▶ **Security Scenarios in Ukraine**

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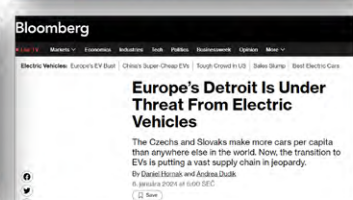
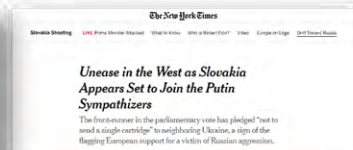
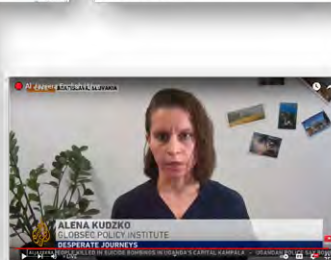
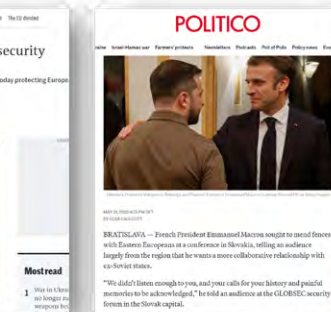
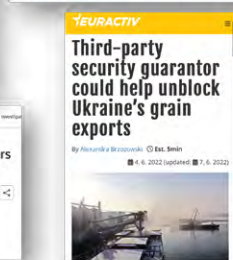
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GLOBSEC Media Presence





Why Support GLOBSEC

Everyone can make a difference. Some do it through research, others support great ideas by funding. To help expand GLOBSEC's mission and have an everlasting impact on the face of society, policy-making, economy, you can join our vision for a better world and support our cause by financing and advocating our activities and events.

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- ▶ Extend their reach via GLOBSEC network and hub
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- ▶ Participate in crowdsourcing of new ideas
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