

17 January 2022

Dear

ATISN 15774 – Global Futures Programme

Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 13 December 2021. You asked for:

- How much has the Welsh Government (WG) spent on the Global Futures programme (GFP), in total, with a breakdown by year.
- 2 How much funding has WG given to each individual member of the Futures Steering Group, for the purposes of the GFP?
- How many students have applied to take part in the work programme in Schwäbisch Hall, and how many have been accepted and taken part in the programme?
- 4 Can I have a list of meetings that WG Ministers/officials/civil servants have had inperson or virtually with officials from the a) French Embassy b) German Embassy c) Italian Embassy since January 2019?
- How much money has been spent on travel and expenses for WG Ministers and officials to a) France b) Germany c) Italy and their respective Embassies in London since January 2019?

I wrote to you on (email sent 16/12 but letter dated 15/12) requesting clarification regarding Qs 4 and 5. I received your clarification response on 17/12, where you confirmed that the information you sought was in relation specifically to the Global Futures programme.

Rydym yn croesawu derbyn gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg. Byddwn yn ateb gohebiaeth a dderbynnir yn Gymraeg yn Gymraeg ac ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.

We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

Our response

The information you requested is enclosed.

How much has the Welsh Government (WG) spent on the Global Futures programme (GFP), in total, with a breakdown by year.

The table below provides a breakdown of Global Futures funding.

2021-22	£1,075,959.18
2020-21	£926,000.00
2019-20	£826,000.00
2018-19	£791,052,80
2017-18	£854,965.00
2016-17	£657,168.50
2015-16	£626,184.00
Total	£5,757,329.48

2 How much funding has WG given to each individual member of the Global Futures Steering Group, for the purposes of the GFP?

The attached table 2 provides details of the funding provided to the members of the Global Futures steering.

3. How many students have applied to take part in the work programme in Schwäbisch Hall, and how many have been accepted and taken part in the programme?

This information is not held by the Welsh Government. The Schwäbisch Hall programme is organised by the Goethe-Institut

Website links re Schwäbisch Hall: <u>Learning German in Schwäbisch Hall - Goethe-Institut</u> & <u>Work Shadowing in Schwäbisch Hall - Goethe-Institut</u> Vereinigtes Königreich

4 Can I have a list of meetings that WG Ministers/officials/civil servants have had inperson or virtually with officials from the a) French Embassy b) German Embassy c) Italian Embassy since January 2019?

The attached table 3 provides a list of the meetings requested.

How much money has been spent on travel and expenses for WG Ministers and officials to a) France b) Germany c) Italy and their respective Embassies in London since January 2019?

On 3rd July 2019, 2 Welsh Government officials attended the German Teacher of the Year Award ceremony at the German Embassy in London Welsh Govt. reimbursed staff for standard T&S costs for the day at a total cost of £174.60

Next steps

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

Information Rights Unit, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ

or Email: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House,

Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely