



COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Office of Gift Planning

Announcing: Transnational Giving Europe (TGE)

About TGE

Cross-border philanthropy in Europe is now a reality. University supporters in a number of European countries can make tax-efficient contributions to the Columbia UK Fund (a UK charity) through the Transnational Giving Europe (TGE) network.

TGE is a partnership of 15 leading European foundations that enables donors resident in one of the participating countries (both corporations and individuals) to provide financial support to non-profit organizations in other member countries, while benefiting directly from the tax advantages provided for in the legislation of their country of residence.

To be eligible to receive a tax benefit in your country of residence, you must:

- Be resident in any of the participating countries;
- Donate to a TGE-approved charitable organization in any of the other countries in the network.

How it works

You make your gift to the TGE foundation partner in your country of residence, the foundation then provides you with all the fiscal advantages, including a tax receipt. Based on the foundation's distribution schedule, your gift is then transferred to your intended foreign beneficiary – in this case, the Columbia UK Fund. Gifts routed through the Columbia UK Fund will ultimately benefit the University's mission.

Types of Gift and Currencies

Only wire gifts in US Dollars, Euros, GBP (UK), CHF (Switzerland) and Zloties (Poland) are accepted at this time.

Fees

TGE charges operational fees that will be deducted from the gift: 5% up to 50,000€, 1% above this, and capped at a maximum fee of 6,500€. Remitting banks also charge transactional fees that vary from bank to bank.

For Assistance at Columbia University

If you are interested in making a gift to Columbia University via the Columbia UK Fund and TGE, please contact Lenia Chaves, Assistant Director in the Office of Gift Planning. Ms. Chaves will coordinate with the appropriate TGE partner and ensure that the funds are transferred to the Columbia UK Fund in a timely manner. Ms. Chaves' contact information is lc15@columbia.edu or 001-212-851-7473.

European Foundations (TGE Partners)

For further information, donors should contact the relevant foundation in the country from which they wish to make their gift.

Belgium - King Baudouin Foundation

Rue Brederodestraat 21
1000 Brussels, Belgium
Tel.: +32-2-549 02 31
Fax: +32-2-549 02 89
Email: tge@kbs-frb.be
Website: <http://www.kbs-frb.be/>

Bulgaria - Bulgarian Charities Aid Foundation (BCAF)

65 Vitosha blvd, 2nd floor
Sofia 1000, Bulgaria
Tel: +359-2-981 19 01
E-mail: tge@bcaf.org
Website: <http://www.bcaf.bg/>

France - Fondation de France

40 Avenue Hoche
75008 Paris, France
Tel.: +33-1-44 21 87 60
Fax: +33-1-44 21 31 54
E-mail: tge@fdf.org
Website: <http://www.fondationdefrance.org/>

Starting in August 2012, French tax authorities prohibit French donors from making tax-effective donations to any organization that re-grants the funds outside of Europe. This ruling may change, but it is active for now.

Germany - Maecenata Stiftung

Herzogstrasse 60
D- 80803 München, Germany
Tel.: +49-89-28 44 52
Fax: +49-89-28 37 74
E-mail: tge@maecenata.eu
Website: <http://www.stiftung.maecenata.eu/>

Hungary - Carpathian Foundation Hungary

HU-3300 Eger Mekksey Str 1
Hungary
Tel: +36-36-516 750
E-mail: cfhu@cfoundation.org
Website: <http://www.karpatokalapitvany.hu/>

Ireland - The Community Foundation for Ireland

32 Lower O'Connell St
Dublin 1, Ireland
Tel: +353-1-874 7354
Fax: +353-1-874 7637
Email: tge@foundation.ie
Website: <http://www.foundation.ie/>

Italy - Vita Giving Europe Onlus

Via Marco d'Agate 43
20139 Milano, Italy
Tel.: +39-2-552 29 83 33
Fax: +39-2-568 02 461
E-mail: tge@vitagiving.org
Website: <http://www.vitagiving.org/>

Tax-effective donations in Italy are restricted to financial aid. However, there are no restrictions on the student beneficiaries' nationality.

Luxembourg - Fondation de Luxembourg

12 Rue Erasme BP 281
2012 Luxembourg, Luxembourg
Tel.: +352-274 748 1
Fax: +352-274 748 279
E-mail: tge@fdlux.lu
Website: <http://www.fdlux.lu/>

Luxembourg implemented the ECJ (European Court of Justice) ruling on cross-border giving within the European Union. Donors in Luxembourg are free to donate tax effectively within the EU without the restrictions in place for other TGE donors.

Portugal - Fundacao Oriente

R. do Salitre, 66-68
1269-065 Lisboa
Portugal
Tel.: +351-213585200
E-mail: administracao@foriente.pt
Website: <http://www.foriente.pt>

Netherlands - Oranje Fonds

Maliebaan 18

3581 CP Utrecht, The Netherlands

Tel.: +31-30-656 45 24

Fax: +31-30-656 22 04

E-mail: tge@oranjefonds.nl

Website: <http://www.oranjefonds.nl/>

Poland - Foundation for Poland

ul. Narbutta 20/33

02-541 Warsaw

Poland

Tel.: +48-22-54 25 880

Fax: +48-22-54 25 890

E-mail: tge@fdp.org.pl

Website: <http://www.fdp.org.pl/>

Romania - Odorheiu Secuiesc Community Foundation

Str Bethlan Gabor 55

Odorheiu Secuiesc, 535600 Harghita - Romania

Tel: +40 74 934 7299

E-mail: office@szka.org

Website: <http://www.szka.org/>

Slovakia - Carpathian Foundation Slovakia

Letna 27 040 01 Kosice

Slovakia

Tel: +421 55 6221152

E-mail: cfsk@cfoundation.org

Website: <http://www.karpatskanadacia.sk/>

Slovenia - SKUP Skupnost Privatnih Zavodov

Britof 469

4000 Kranj, Slovenia

Tel: +386 4 23 448 04

Email: info@skup.si

Website: <http://www.skup.si>

Spain - Fundacion Carlos de Amberes (For Heritage, Culture and Arts)

Claudio Coello, 99

28006 Madrid, Spain

Tel.: +34-91 43 52 201

E-mail: tge1@fcamberes.org

Website: <http://www.fcamberes.org>

Spain - Fundacion Empresa y Sociedad (Other topics of general interest: unemployment, social cohesion, social research, disability, wealth, ageing, education for people in need, immigration, and poverty.)

Orense, 29-6° D

28020 Madrid, Spain

Tel.: +34-91 435 89 97

E-mail: fabad@empresaysociedad.org

Website: <http://www.empresaysociedad.org>

Switzerland - Swiss Philanthropy Foundation (This TGE partner has a maximum of CHF 400,000 per year, as per new Swiss tax regulations implemented in 2014.)

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CP 385 - 1211 Genève 12

Switzerland

Tel.: +41-22-321 77 37

Email: contact@swissphilanthropy.ch

Website: <http://www.swissphilanthropy.ch/>

United Kingdom - Charities Aid Foundation (CAF)

Kings Hill, West Malling

Kent ME19 4TA, United Kingdom

Tel.: +44-3000-123 380

Fax: +44-3000-123 160

Email: tge@cafonline.org

Website: <http://www.cafonline.org/>

Other Resources

Additional information about European cross-border giving can be obtained from:

- ❖ Giving in Europe, www.givingineurope.org
- ❖ TGE, www.transnationalgiving.eu