

In late 2013, the Smithsonian-Mason School of Conservation approved reduced fees for those applying for professional training courses from what are broadly considered to be “less-developed countries” or LDCs. Although there is no single agreed-upon standard list which separates developed from less-developed countries, we have elected to assign those countries listed as “high-income” members of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) as developed nations. These 31 countries, as determined by the World Bank, are listed below.

*If you are a citizen of one of the countries below, you are **not eligible** for the less-developed country reduced professional training fee.*

23 countries in Europe:

-  Austria
-  Belgium
-  Czech Republic
-  Denmark
-  Estonia
-  Finland
-  France
-  Germany
-  Greece
-  Iceland
-  Ireland
-  Italy
-  Luxembourg
-  Netherlands
-  Norway
-  Poland
-  Portugal
-  Slovakia
-  Slovenia
-  Spain
-  Sweden
-  Switzerland
-  United Kingdom

3 countries in Asia:

-  Israel
-  Japan
-  South Korea

3 countries in the Americas:

-  Canada
-  Chile
-  United States

2 countries in Oceania:

-  Australia
-  New Zealand