The Executive MBA – For Experienced Professionals

SSE RIGA

Programme duration
2 years

Language of instruction
English

Class size
Up to 30 students

Faculty
International

Format
Intensive four-day modules once a month

Reasons to choose SSE Riga

Number 1 in the region
According to the Financial Times ranking of top European Business Schools 2026, the SSE, key-partner of SSE Riga, is the #1 business school in the Nordic and Baltic region.

Best value for price
More study days and lower tuition fees than other high-profile business schools. Riga airport is a major air traffic hub, and accommodation is available in the city at reasonable cost.

International faculty
SSE Riga's Executive MBA programme prioritises international faculty, with 80% of visiting lecturers bringing a global perspective to the classroom.

Global study experience
Executive MBA students gain a greater global perspective through international modules and electives at our international partner universities.



I believe that investing in acquiring new skills and having the possibility to discuss today's issues with highly talented, diverse and experienced course-mates and academics is an effective way to ensure not only that one survives the turmoil safely, but also comes out much more capable and resilient.

— Eva Berlaus,
Managing partner at Sorainen,
Class of 2022



The SSE Riga EMBA programme offers an opportunity to learn from outstanding faculty and exchange ideas with ambitious peers through practical case studies and engaging discussions. I see it as a valuable investment in yourself: it broadens your perspective, challenges your thinking and strengthens your ability to navigate today's rapidly changing business environment.

— Jānis Vība,
CEO at Virši,
Class of 2025



I joined the Executive MBA to refresh my academic grounding in economics, finance and strategic management and connect it with years of strategic leadership experience. The Asia Innovation Programme in Singapore and the GNAM week in Madrid offered distinct international experiences. The programme reinforced that leadership is a continuing discipline: experience matters, but so does the willingness to keep learning, adapt one's judgement and engage with unfamiliar contexts

— Irina Kuzmina,
Strategy, Transformation & Finance Executive,
Class of 2026.

History

SSE Riga was founded in 1994 by the Stockholm School of Economics (SSE) and quickly earned its reputation as the best business school in the Baltic region. Following years of success in economics and finance education, including a highly sought-after bachelor programme as well as open and corporate programmes for business people, the Executive MBA programme for experienced managers was launched in 2002.

Historic building

The SSE Riga building is located in the heart of Riga's Art Nouveau District at Strelnieku iela 4a, a ten-minute walk from historic Old Riga.

The SSE Riga building is an architectural monument of national significance in the art nouveau style; it was originally designed as a school by the famous architect Mikhail Eisenstein.



Our students

The overall aim of the programme is to provide individuals who have already shown potential in their professional career with the knowledge, skills and tools to develop their capacity for further success in a fast-changing local and emerging global environment.

Classes comprise up to 30 students from varied academic and professional backgrounds. Executive MBA participants have had several years of management experience, which allows them to share experience and discuss practical issues that supplement academic learning.

The two-year Executive MBA programme is a perfect way to enhance your credentials and position yourself for a career change!

Average age

39

Countries of origin

70% Latvia

30% International

Average management experience

9 Years

Gender

50% Female

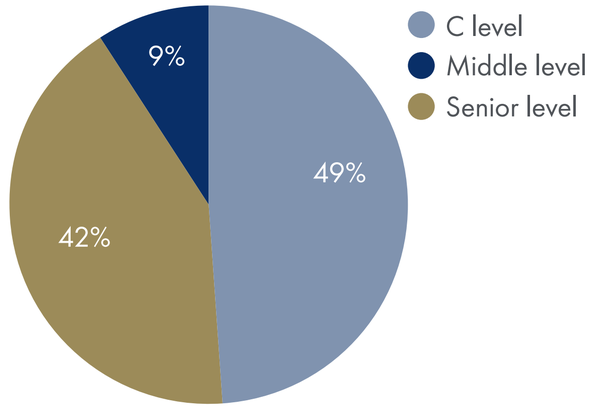
50% Male

Industries

banking | energy | pharma | retail | transport | IT & Telco | manufacture | construction | HoReCa | public sector | consultancy

and many others

Management level

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The Executive MBA at a glance





The programme is designed especially for experienced managers and professionals

Two-year module-based programme delivered in English

Up to 30 students admitted each year

The class meets face-to-face once a month for an intensive four-day module

Faculty are selected on the basis of their ability to teach experienced managers

Mandatory international modules in Singapore and Warsaw

Elective courses within SSE in Sweden and the Global Network for Advanced Management which includes over 30 top leading business schools around the world

The Executive MBA Programme is accredited by the Latvian Ministry of Education and Science and graduates will be awarded an Executive Master of Business Administration diploma issued by SSE Riga




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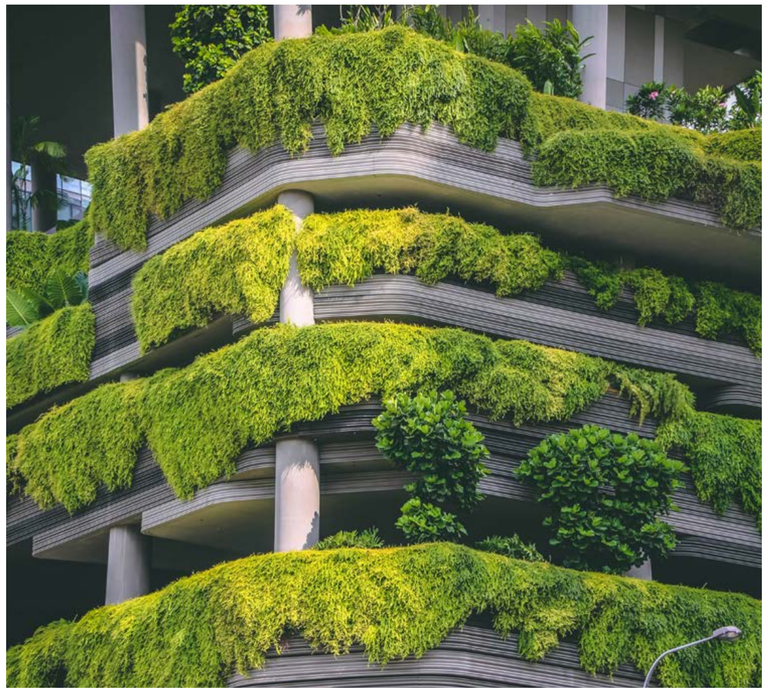
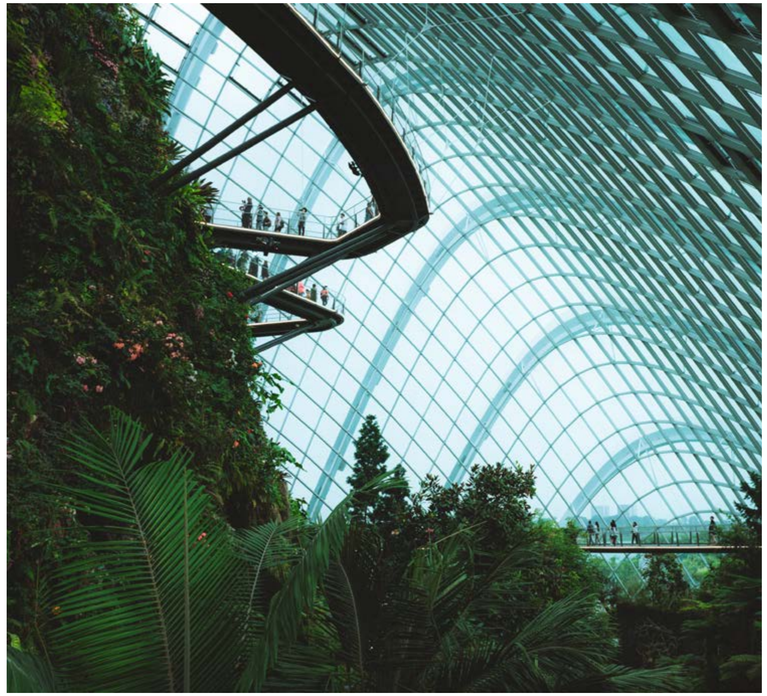






Modules and faculty

SSE Riga stands out with its exclusiveness and student-centred environment. Comparatively small school size allows SSE Riga to be highly flexible and introduce new trends in the programme curriculum at a rapid pace

Year 1
Core modules
Field Project
Study module in to Singapore

Year 2
Core modules
Study module in Warsaw
Electives/ GNAM
Leadership coaching

Programme Curriculum

Running Organizations
Financial Reporting & Analysis
Management Accounting & Control
Supply Chains
Artificial and Business Intelligence (Warsaw)

Navigating Markets
Competitive Strategy
Financial Economics
Marketing & Digital Marketing

Practicing What You Learn
Problem Solving
Field Project with a Baltic Company (5 Months)

Seeing the Big Picture
Business & Government in the Global Economy
Sustainability in Business and Finance (Stockholm)
Corporate Strategy
Globalization & Innovation (Singapore)

Mastering Leadership
Leading change
Leading People, Teams and Organizations
Negotiations
Executive Coaching

Electives*
Corporate Governance (Riga)
Advanced Negotiations (Riga)
Global Social Challenges (Riga)
Value Creating Financial decisions (Stockholm)
Driving Profitable Growth (Stockholm)
Global Network for Advanced Management (Multiple Topics and Business schools around the world)

*Three electives are mandatory; courses may change in a specific academic year.

Teaching Staff

Teaching staff is composed of highly respected local and international lecturers and professors who value experience-based knowledge. The faculty is 80% international and engages professors from the UK, Sweden, Finland, Spain, Italy, Poland, the USA, Switzerland and Singapore, as well as from the Baltic states.

The caliber of our teaching staff reflects the fact that SSE Riga is one of the leading business schools in the region. Our resident and visiting faculty represent many nationalities, have degrees from the top universities in the world, and have a wealth of experience working for businesses and organizations both locally and globally. Our faculty offers a fantastic blend of experience thanks to their academic knowledge and practical industry insights.

Instead of juggling courses at various foreign universities, you can have lecturers from top business schools come to teach you at SSE Riga.





SSE Riga is a great school with an excellent Executive MBA program, outstanding faculty, and exceptional administrative support and guidance. The program has allowed me to broaden my perspective, gain valuable knowledge, and open many new doors and meaningful connections. To anyone considering this study option, I wholeheartedly recommend it. It is a great investment in your future.

— Sandis Bērtaitis,
Partner at Walless,
Class of 2016



Every single module we have had has taught me something new or broadened my existing knowledge – mostly thanks to good lecturers from different countries and backgrounds, all of them at the cutting edge of their field.

— Meelis Aus,
Director of Engineering at Twilio,
Class of 2015



Fellow students bring an invaluable addition to the Executive MBA experience and provide the unique opportunity to gain insights into similar as well as completely different industries from one's own. The integrated learning process of mixed work groups allows students to get to know each and every other student. And in the end, the people in one's class become much closer than just course-mates.

— Toms Auškāps,
Board Member/Head of Communications and Strategic Development at Balticovo,
Class of 2019

Networking

SSE Riga regularly accommodates numerous business-oriented events, such as conferences, public debates and workshops, which help to make the study process varied and exciting. After graduation SSE Riga provides events and activities that bring together alumni and current students in a powerful network.

Since 2002, almost 500 professionals have graduated the programme









Tuition fee EUR 42,000

Fixed for the two-year, entire programme.
Can be divided into up to four instalments.

Fee covers

- Admission
- Core modules
- Kick-off week in some special place in Latvia
- Two mandatory international study modules
- Three elective study modules
- Course materials and access to SSE Riga library services and electronic resources
- An 5-months field project exploring real-time business challenges in cooperation with top companies in the Baltic States
- Coaching on leadership
- Networking
- Travel and accommodation expenses are not included

Special offers

The 10% reduced tuition fee is offered to graduates of the SSE Riga Bachelor programme and a 5% reduced fee to the SSE Riga Mini MBA: Strategic Management Programme at SSE Riga.

Latvian nationals and residents are eligible for a state-backed loan at Swedbank that covers 100% of the program's tuition fee.

For more information on corporate financing and other tuition assistance options, please contact the EMBA Development Director.

Are you eligible to apply?

To be eligible for the SSE Riga Executive MBA programme, you must have the following:

A bachelor degree (or university degree equivalent) in any field.

A minimum of five years' managerial experience.

A high level of proficiency in spoken and written English.

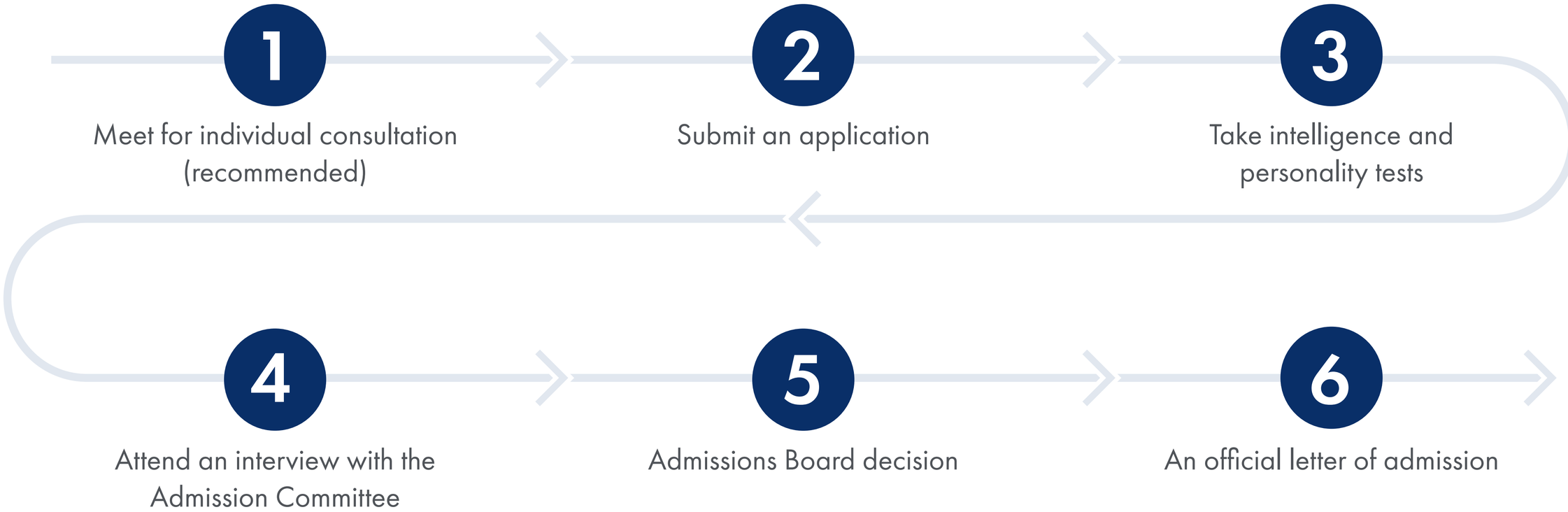
Application and admission

The programme starts once a year in September.

There are two application deadlines:
March 1 (receive an admission decision early) and June 1.

Register and Apply for the programme here: admission.sseriga.edu or you can find **Apply** button all over the www.sseriga.edu website in the EMBA section.

How to apply step-by-step





We value an individual approach at SSE Riga, beginning with the admissions process. Feel free to contact me to set up an individual consultation and learn more about how the SSE Riga Executive MBA program can support you. The meeting has no obligations and is merely a discussion to help you decide whether this is the programme for you. I will gladly answer any questions you may have about studies and assist you with admission.

— Inga Spriņķe,
Executive MBA Development Director

You are welcome to schedule an individual appointment with the Executive MBA Development Director

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More information can be found at
sseriga.edu/education/executive-mba