

Partner Search Form

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PROJECT INFORMATION					
Type of project idea			Please, tick the appropriate one/ones: ⊠Erasmus+ KA1: International students and staff credit mobility ⊠Erasmus+ KA1: Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees ⊠Erasmus+ KA2: Strategic Partnerships ⊠Erasmus+ KA2: Knowledge Alliances/Sector Skills Alliances ⊠Erasmus+ KA2: Capacity Building in the field of Higher Education ⊠Erasmus+ Jean Monnet programme		
Discipline / Academic field			Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Architecture, Electronic, Computer Science, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Biology, Agriculture Science, Sport, English, French, Arabic literature, Art, Communication, Management, Politic Sciences		
Institution's preferable role in the project			☐ Applicant ⊠ Partner		
Which countries are about to be involved?					
Working language of the consortium			English or French		

From: Hacene Mahmoudi [mailto:h.mahmoudi@univhb-chlef.dz] **Subject:** Erasmus plus partner search

Hassiba Benbouali University of Chlef in Algeria is an emerging higher education institution that was founded in 1983 (<u>http://www.univ-chlef.dz/uc/</u>). It provides a high quality education to more than 32.000 students within Bsc , Msc and PHD levels, taught and supervised by 1100 teachers. Hassiba Benbouali University is ranked among the top ten universities in Algeria. It is structured in nine faculties and one sport institute.

The faculties are:

- 1. Faculty of Technology
- 2. Faculty of Exact Sciences and Computer Sciences
- 3. Faculty of Natural Sciences
- 4. Faculty of Business and Management
- 5. Faculty of Law and Administration
- 6. Faculty of Foreign Languages
- 7. Faculty of Arabic Literature and Art
- 8. Faculty of History
- 9. Faculty of Civil Engineering and Architecture
- 10. Sport Institute

Hassiba Benbouali University (UHBC) has taken part in different European programmes as a partner and an associate institution, such is the case with the following events:

Erasmus Mundus Al Idrissi

Erasmus Mundus Al Fihri

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It is noteworthy that it is involved in three Erasmus + programmes (KA1); which are :

1. ICM international credit mobility with the polytechnic institute of Braganca in Portugal,

in the field of civil and industrial engineering, since 2015-2016 academic year

- Mobility programme with Freiburg University in the field of Mathematics since 2015-2016 academic year.
- ICM international credit mobility in the field of Architecture. The cooperation was established with the University of Granada, Spain, during the academic year 2016-2017

4. ICM international credit mobility with Anadolu University, Turkey, in the fields of

archaeology, biology, chemistry and physics for the academic year 2016-2017.

5. ICM international credit mobility with Universitatea Tehnica "Gheorghe Asachi, Din Iasi, Romania, in the fields of Membranes for the academic year 2016-2017.

The university's consultancy committee, during the university development meeting, agreed on the implementation of the exchange strategy for the sake of enhancing the quality of education we offer to students as well as the performance of our staff. This agreement was made, mainly, after having debated the idea during the Spring 2016 consultation meetings about the internationalization of our institution. These meetings were conducted in the form of of a study workshop that gathered over 120 experts. The latter discussed their views and experiences and ended up by giving a set of suggestions that versed into the worthiness of the exchange strategy as a developmental one.

Considering the recommendations drawn from the workshop; our university adopted the exchange strategy through targeting the maximum of student exchange, staff mobility and research opportunities.

From this perspective, the Erasmus plus programme is undoubtedly the most appropriate one, as it offers a platform that handles students' exchange, through sending abroad and receiving from abroad, and so is the case for the staff.

From our part, and in the sake of being active participants in the programme, we would confirm our readiness to facilitate guests' mobility through assisting them with administrative procedures, while wishing to be supported as well in our students and staff mobility.

Hassiba Benbouali University of Chlef fits the exchange programme regarding its advantageous geographical location, mainly for the fact that Chlef city is situated in the Northern part of Algeria, 180 km to the west of the capital Algiers and 220 km to the east of Oran city, while connected to both cities via the East-west Highway. Chlef city covers a large area, reaching the seaside which is at 45 km from the city capital. The airport that is based at only 10 km from the university, offers a considerable facility in terms of mobility for the staff as well as guests.

"Change by exchange" is one of our main slogans for the next decade. Actually, the mobility programme does not only influence the local students but also the university's industrial and social partners. For the last two years, students have been manifesting an increasing interest in the Erasmus programmes. Having offered the programme opportunities to the elite among the students, this has boosted our students' will and motivation to excel. This has consequently raised the university's pedagogical yield potential.

Besides, our industrial partners have been showing a special interest in our granted students for the openness and motivation they manifest as a result of the programmes. The positive impact of the programme is also touched in the mastery of language and communication skills which are considered as key criteria in recruitment contests.

Each year, the university organises the Erasmus workshop where experts explain to both students and staff the selection procedure and the different opportunities offered by the programme.

On the other hand, our university opens its doors wide to students and staff from other worldwide universities, while ready to assist them throughout the whole process, including the visa application, accommodation and participation in social programs.

Chlef university has gained a good experience with Erasmus plus program management. Thanks to a dynamic and motivated external relations department, the selection procedure have been always fair, transparent and equitable. The selection procedure follows the following steps :

- 1. Announcing the call for candidature for the programme on the University website.
- 2. Advertising the programme through open days and information seminars.
- 3. Assisting candidates in language through intensive language courses offered by the university's 'Intensive Language Teaching Centre'.
- 4. The final selection is based on the overall student's marks and motivation while guaranteeing female/male equality in terms of participation opportunities.

5. Upon return, participants are automatically reintegrated and their credit recognition process is made in collaboration with the external relations department and the students' affairs department.

Best regards,



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