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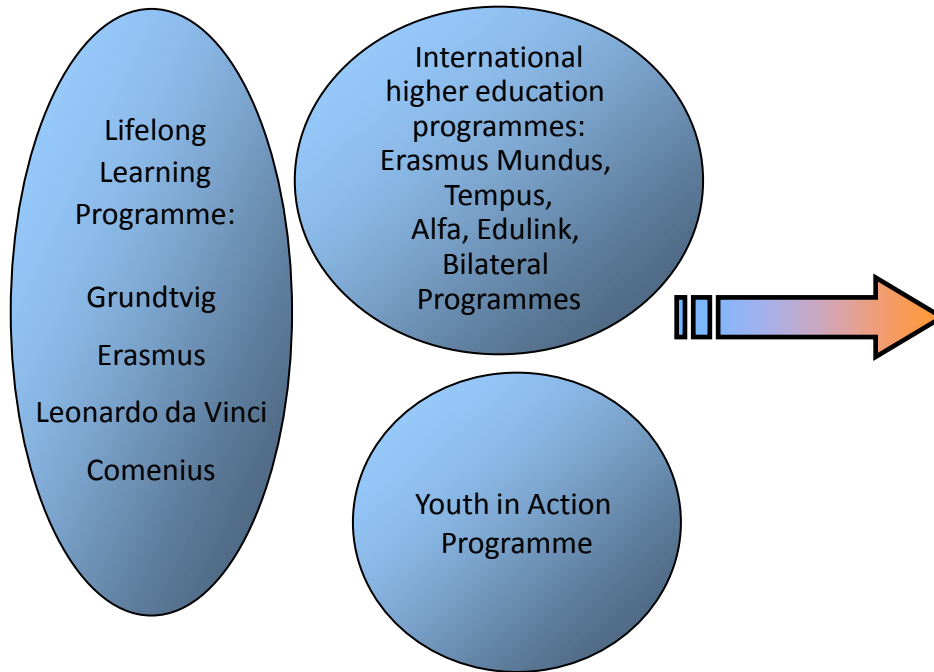


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3 Key Actions of Erasmus+

EU Programmes (2007-2013)



Single, integrated Erasmus+ (2014-2020)



Specific Activities:

- Jean Monnet
- Sport



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Erasmus+ background documents

- Erasmus+ **Regulation No. 1288/2013**
 - **EN:** <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2013:347:0050:0073:EN:PDF>
- Erasmus+ **Programme Guide** (updated on annual basis):
 - http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/documents/erasmus-plus-programme-guide_en.pdf
- Erasmus+ annual **Work Programme** of the European Commission:
 - http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/education_culture/more_info/awp/docs/c_2014_6856_en.pdf (2015)



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International dimension of HE in Erasmus+

- **Key action 1:** Learning mobility of individuals
 - KA1 International Credit Mobility
 - KA1 Degree Mobility: Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters
- **Key action 2:** Cooperation for innovation and the exchange of good practices
 - KA2 Capacity Building in Higher Education in Partner Countries
- **Jean Monnet** programme

Erasmus+: Programme & Partner Countries

- Erasmus+ PROGRAMME countries (33):
 - 28 European Union (EU) Member States
 - 3 Member States of the European Economic Area (EEA) – Iceland, Norway and Liechtenstein
 - 2 EU Candidate Countries – Turkey, FYR of Macedonia
- Erasmus+ PARTNER countries – other countries than Erasmus+ programme countries defined concretely for the particular Activity
- **N.B. for all Erasmus+ activities** - Erasmus+ programme countries' HEIs must hold eligible Erasmus Charter for Higher Education

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Key Action 1:

International Students and Staff Credit Mobility

(before – Erasmus Mundus Action 2)

Started in Call 2015,
decentralised (National Agency)

International Mobility - Basic principles

- **Core of the Activity** – students and staff mobility between:
 - Erasmus+ programme countries
and
 - Erasmus+ partner countries
- The Activity **foresees both directions' mobility** – incoming and outgoing (specific rules of each of 4 EU Financial Instruments must be observed)

International Mobility - Project Applicant

- **Project Applicant** for the International Credit Mobility is:
 - 1 Higher Education Institution (or Mobility Consortium) from the Erasmus+ Programme Country
 - Erasmus+ programme countries' HEIs must hold eligible Erasmus Charter for Higher Education (ECHE)
- Each Erasmus+ programme country HEI can submit 1 application per call
- Erasmus+ **Partner country HEI cannot submit the application**

International Mobility - Project Partner

- At least **1 Higher Education Institution** from the eligible **Erasmus+ Partner Country** must be involved
- Erasmus+ **Partner Countries' HEIs must observe and apply the rules defined in the ECHE** (laid out in the Interinstitutional Partnership Agreement):

http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/news/2014/20140715-ia_en.htm

International Mobility – Detailed information

- **For detailed information:**
 - see the Programme Guide
 - look for the information on the **web-site of the Erasmus+ National Agency in your country**
 - contact Erasmus+ National Agency in your country

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Key Action 1:

Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees

(before – Erasmus Mundus Action 1a)

Centralised (EACEA),
started in Call 2014

Joint Masters - Basic Principles (1)

- Integrated international master programmes of excellent quality to attract the best students worldwide
- Developed & delivered by a **consortium of HEIs from at least 3 Programme countries**
- **Duration** 12 – 18 – 24 months (60 – 90 – 120 ECTS)
- One preparatory year + **3 intakes** (5 years maximum) – covered by 1 Grant agreement
- **Mandatory study period** in at least 2 different Programme countries
- Award of **fully recognised** joint or multiple **degree**
- **N.B.** Implementation of the accredited Master Programme is financed, **but not its preparation!**

Joint Masters - Basic Principles (2)

- **Joint degrees** encouraged but **not mandatory** (double/multiple degrees still eligible)
- Worldwide visibility
- **Bridging academic and job-market needs** (trans-disciplinary approach)
- **Employability of graduates** emphasized
- **Sustainability** after EU funding ensured
- **Additional scholarships** available for certain regions

Joint Masters – Detailed Information

- **Detailed information** on the EACEA web-site:
 - https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/actions/key-action-1-learning-mobility-individuals/erasmus-mundus-joint-master-degrees_en

Joint programmes: useful resources (1)

- **EM International Joint Masters - Lessons Learnt:**
http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus_mundus/tools/publications_en.php
- **Sustainability & Recognition:**
http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus_mundus/clusters/sustainability_en.php
- **Employability:**
http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus_mundus/clusters/employability_en.php
- **Quality Assurance:**
http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus_mundus/programme/quality_assurance_joint_master_degree_en.php
- **JDAZ – *Joint Degrees A-Z*:** www.jdaz.eu



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Joint programmes: useful resources (2)

- All useful INTERUV project outcomes available on the project web-site: <http://www.interuv.eu/>



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Joint study programmes
– facilitator for university internationalisation

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INTERUV third regional conference in The Hague
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INTERUV: Joint Programmes - facilitator for university internationalisation is an initiative of Erasmus Mundus National Structures from 15 European countries (Austria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Spain, Slovakia and United Kingdom).

The INTERUV project focuses on:

- the promotion of the idea of joint study programmes among higher education institutions (HEIs) from the EU and third countries from the geographical regions neighbouring the EU;
- supporting HEIs in introducing joint study programmes into their institutional strategies for internationalisation;
- the capacity building of institutions acting at present as Erasmus Mundus National Structures and National Tempus Offices in order to help them in the transition period of preparation for the new programme Erasmus for All to be implemented in years 2014-2012.

The INTERUV project is going to support the international cooperation, development and implementation of joint programmes of European universities together with higher education institutions coming from the following regions:

STUDY ON JOINT PROGRAMMES

REGIONAL CONFERENCES

TRAINING SEMINARS

Supported by the European Commission in the framework of the Erasmus Mundus Programme

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EU research programme - Horizon 2020

- **Joint Doctoral Programmes** (before – *Erasmus Mundus* 1.b.activity) implementation **is continued** in EU research programme HORIZON 2020, Marie Skłodowska – Curie Action:

<http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/h2020-sections>

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/mariecurieactions>

- P.S. Presentation of the LV National Contact Point is following

Key Action 2:

Capacity Building in Higher Education

in Partner Countries

(before – Tempus)

Started in Call 2015,
centralised (EACEA)

Capacity Building - Objectives

- **Objectives of the action:**
 - **Support the development / modernisation / reform** of higher education in Partner Countries
 - **Promote cooperation** between Europe and Partner Countries (as well as among Partner Countries)
 - **Promote voluntary convergence with EU developments** in the higher education
 - **Promote people-to-people contacts**, intercultural awareness and **understanding**

Capacity Building – Main Principles

- **5 main principles:**
 - **Targets: institutions and systems** rather than individuals (not directly a mobility action)
 - **Relevance to needs of Partner countries/institutions**
 - **International cooperation as a mean** (exchange of experience & practice, peer learning despite of diversity)
 - **Bottom-up approach** (voluntary process, grass root initiatives, creating innovation hubs)
 - **Emphasis put on institutional cooperation** (institutional commitment, structural & sustainable impact)

Capacity Building - Priorities

- Projects **have to observe Partner Countries' priorities** (national/regional and horizontal):
 - National Projects – institutions from 1 Partner Country involved
 - Multi-country Projects – institutions from at least 2 Partner Countries involved
- **List of Partner Countries' priorities** published on the EACEA web-site together with the actual Call documentation

Capacity Building – Partner Countries

- ~ **150 Partner Countries** in this Activity:
 - Eastern Europe and Southern Mediterranean countries
 - Russian Federation
 - Western Balkans
 - Asia and Central Asia
 - Middle East* & South Africa
 - Latin America
 - ACP countries

* Iran, Iraq, Yemen

Capacity Building – Types of Projects

- 2 types of the Projects:
 - 1) **Joint Projects** (operate at micro level and target higher education institutions in the eligible Partner Countries);
 - 2) **Structural Projects*** (operate at macro level and target national higher education systems and policies in the eligible Partner Countries).
 - additional **Special Mobility Strand** (for students and staff exchanges) available (for concrete regions), but not obligatory – to be prepared as separate application
- ***N.B.** responsible branch (HE) ministry of the Partner Country has to be involved



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Capacity Building - Partnership

- **Composition of partnership:**
 - Projects may involve **one or more Partner Countries** (from the same or different regions) with **at least 2 HEIs each**
 - Projects must involve **at least 3 different Programme Countries** (3 HEIs)
 - At least as many Partner Countries HEIs as Programme Countries HEIs

Capacity Building – Types of Activities

- **3 main topics:**
 - Curriculum development activities
 - Reform of university governance and management
 - Strengthening relations between HE and the wider socio-economic environment
- **Main activities:**
 - Training, lecturing
 - Study visits
 - Meetings & conferences
 - Publications, text books
 - Design of procedures / methodologies, etc.

Capacity Building – Length & Funding

- **Length of the project:**
 - 2 or 3 years
- **Level of the grant:**
 - between **0.5** and **1 Million** Euros per project
- **The grant is intended to support the costs related to the implementation of the project:**
 - Staff costs (max. 40%)
 - Travel costs and costs of stay
 - Equipment costs (only for Partner Countries' HEIs (max. 30%))
 - Subcontracting (max. 10%)

Capacity Building – Detailed Information

- **Detailed information** on the EACEA web-site:
 - http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/actions/key-action-2-cooperation-for-innovation-and-exchange-good-practices/capacity-0_en

Capacity Building – Useful Resources

- List of **Tempus projects approved** in 2007-2013:
 - http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/tempus/results_compendia/projects_description_en.php
- Wide range of **Tempus publications** (HE systems of Partner Countries, achievements of Tempus programme in different Partner regions, etc.):
 - http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/tempus/tools/publications_en.php

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Jean Monnet programme

(before also – Jean Monnet programme)

Centralised (EACEA),
started in Call 2014

Jean Monnet – Main Objectives

- Equip students and young professionals with **knowledge of European Union subjects** relevant for their academic and professional lives and enhance their civic skills
- Stimulate **teaching and research on the European Union**
- Foster the **dialogue** between the European Union and the world in Higher Education (programme open to whole world)

Jean Monnet - Actions

- **Modules:** short teaching programme in the field of European Union studies
- **Chairs:** teaching posts with a specialisation in EU studies for university professors or senior lecturers
- **Centres of Excellence:** focal points of competence and knowledge on European Union subjects
- **Networks and Projects:** activities to support innovation, cross-fertilisation and spread of EU content
- **Institutions and Associations:** contribute to the study and dissemination of the EU integration process

Jean Monnet – detailed information

- **Detailed information about Jean Monnet programme on the EACEA web-site:**
 - http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/actions/jean-monnet_en

Jean Monnet – Useful Resources

- EC publication “**Thinking about Europe – Jean Monnet support to European Studies (25 years)**”:
 - http://ec.europa.eu/education/events/2014/doc/jean-monnet-rev_en.pdf

More intra-EU Higher Education co-operation:

Key Action 2:

Strategic Partnerships

Decentralised Activity (National Agency)

1st Call in 2014

Strategic Partnerships – Basic Principles (1)

- Strategic Partnerships in HE must focus on activities designed to improve HE provision across the participating countries:
 - **developing, testing and implementing innovative approaches and practices** for study programmes, students, staff and organisations;
 - **facilitating the recognition and certification** of skills and competences;
 - **training, teaching and learning activities** such as intensive study programmes, blended mobility of students, joint staff training events, and teaching and training assignments.



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Strategic Partnerships – Basic Principles (2)

- Strategic Partnership Consortium:
 - **minimum of three partners from three different Programme Countries**, including the applicant organisation
 - the number of partners and funding will vary depending on the project's aims and activities
- **For detailed information:**
 - see the Programme Guide
 - look for the information on the **web-site of the Erasmus+ National Agency in your country**
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More intra-EU Higher Education co-operation:

Key Action 2:

Knowledge Alliances

Centralised Activity (EACEA)

1st Call in 2014

Knowledge Alliances – Basic Principles (1)

- **Knowledge Alliances:**

- transnational, structured and result-driven projects, **notably between higher education and business**
- open to any discipline, sector and to cross-sectoral cooperation
- the partners share common goals and work together towards mutually beneficial results and outcomes
- target the **cooperation between organisations established in Programme Countries**

Knowledge Alliances – Basic Principles (2)

- Examples of activities:
 - Boosting **innovation in higher education, business** and in the broader socio-economic environment
 - Developing **entrepreneurship mind-set and skills**
 - Stimulating the flow and exchange of **knowledge between higher education and enterprises**
- Consortium requirements:
 - minimum of **six independent organisations** from at least **three Programme Countries**
 - out of which there must be **at least two higher education institutions** and **two enterprises**

Knowledge Alliances – Detailed Information

- **Detailed information:**

- https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/actions/key-action-2-cooperation-for-innovation-and-exchange-good-practices/knowledge_en

Erasmus+ Qualitative Evaluation Criteria

- Usually **4 qualitative** evaluation/award criteria are applied:
 - **Relevance of the Project**
 - **Quality of the Project Design and Implementation**
 - **Quality of the Project Team and the Co-operation Arrangements**
 - **Impact and Dissemination**
- Points to be allocated per award criterion as well as accents in different chapters of the project application in each of the activities can differ



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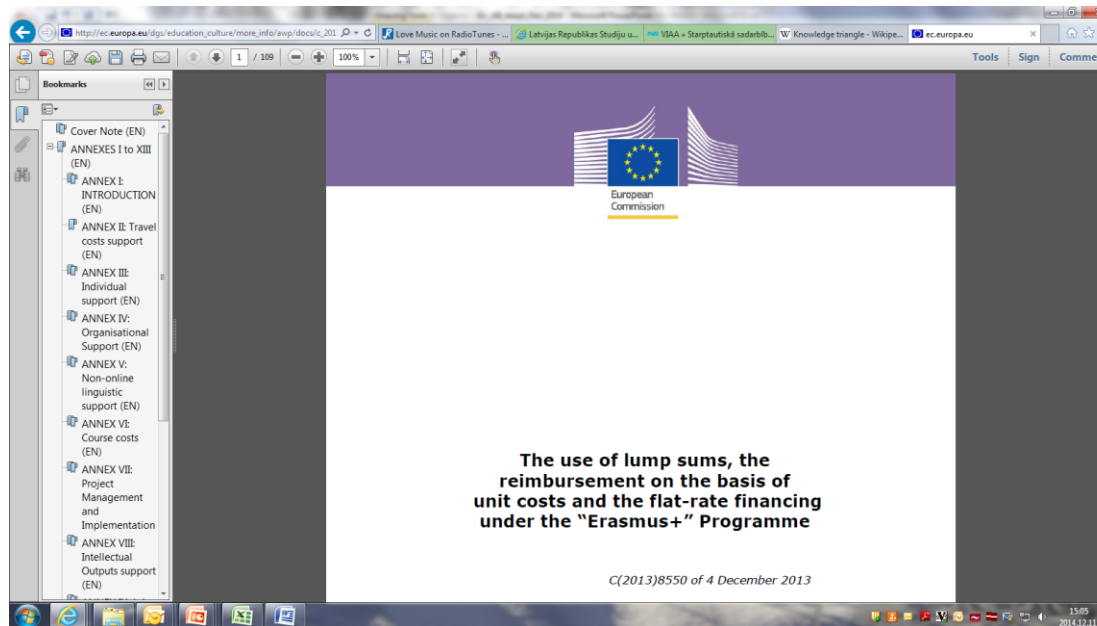
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Erasmus+ Applications: Useful Resources

- **Proposal Submission User Guide - how to create, complete and submit an Application eForm:**
http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/documents/eforms_en
- **N.B.:**
 - to look for the concrete activity
 - to use the application form of the particular Call for Proposals

Erasmus+ financing principles

- The use of **lump sums**, the reimbursement on the basis of **unit costs** and the **flat-rate financing** under the “**Erasmus+**” Programme (by European Commission) - http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/education_culture/more_info/awp/docs/c_2013_8550.pdf



Erasmus+ Key Action 3

- KA3 – the activities in support of policy reform:
 - are targeted at the **achievement of the goals of the Europe 2020** strategy
 - in the **framework** for European cooperation in education and training (**ET 2020**)
- KA3 – usually centralised calls for proposals

Examples of Key Action 3 (1)

- **Example of KA3 support (EC Erasmus+ Work Programme 2014, ref. 3.55) – higher education:**
 - **Initiative to support the implementation of EHEA (European Higher Education Area) reforms (continuation for National Team of Bologna Experts' activities) – applied/implemented by Erasmus+ National Authorities (responsible branch ministries)**
- Publication **COMPENDIUM 2014** is **dedicated to the projects awarded in 2014** under the centralised actions of *the Key Action 3: Support to the Implementation of the EHEA Reforms*

Examples of Key Action 3 (2)

- Erasmus+ KA3 Prospective initiatives - European Policy experimentations – [COMPENDIUM 2014](#)
- The publication is dedicated to the **projects awarded in 2014** under the centralised action of the Key Action 3: *Prospective initiatives - European policy experimentations*
- **For other KA3 activities' compendia, please, see Erasmus+ Library** (details on the next slide)

Erasmus+ on-line Library

- **Different useful on-line materials** facilitating preparation and implementation of the Erasmus+ potential projects, as well as reference materials for already implemented activities **available online on the EACEA web-site (Erasmus+ Library):**

https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/library_en

Erasmus+ Call's timing

- Usually the **annual Erasmus+ Call** is announced in **Autumn** (~October)
- Application **deadlines** – in **Spring of the next year** (~February – April (usually differ for Key Actions))
- **Currently no calls open** for KA1, KA2 higher education sectors
- Actual **Calls for KA3** – please, follow News' information on EC/EACEA web-sites
- **Applications to be submitted using an eForm** with attachments – specific requirements for each Activity must be checked



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Further information/ contacts

- Erasmus+ **Programme Countries** – International Higher Education Contact Points:
https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/contacts/international-erasmus-plus-contact-points_en
- Erasmus+ **Partner Countries** – National Erasmus+ Offices (NEOs):
https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/contacts/national-erasmus-plus-offices_en



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