EU Funding Opportunities
Special Focus on Erasmus+ Program of the EU

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Erasmus+

- The EU's program to support education, training youth and sport
- Funding for programs, projects and scholarships
- Fosters EU-EU and EU-international cooperation
A Single Integrated Program

**EU – EU**
- LLP- Lifelong Learning Programme
- Comenius
- Erasmus
- Leonardo Grundtvig

**EU - INTERNATIONAL**
- Erasmus mundus, Tempus, Alfa, Edulink, Bilateral Programmes

**Youth in Action Programme**

2007 – 2013

**Erasmus+**
The EU's program to support education, training youth & sport
2014 – 2020

**Key Actions**

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**Specific Activities:**
- Jean Monnet
- Sport
The EU’s programme to support education, training youth and sport

- Funding for programmes, projects and scholarships
- Fosters EU-EU and EU-international cooperation

Redistribution between the actions: 4.8%
International cooperation between Program Countries & Partner Countries

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<th>Programme Countries (27+5=32)</th>
<th>Partner Countries (160)</th>
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<td><strong>EU Member States:</strong></td>
<td>All other countries throughout the world</td>
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<td>Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom</td>
<td>- Divided in 13 regions (“Envelopes”)</td>
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<td><strong>Other programme countries (non-EU):</strong></td>
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<td>Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey.</td>
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Erasmus+
Strategic Partnerships, Innovations, Employability & Entrepreneurship

Key Action 1: Mobility of Individuals
- Mobility of Students & Staff
- Joint Master Degrees
- Master Student Loan

Key Action 2: Cooperation for Innovation
- Strategic Partnerships
- Knowledge Alliances
- Sector Skills Alliances
- Capacity Building Projects

Key Action 3: Support for Policy Reform
- Cooperation with Intl. Organizations
- Support to EU Policy Tools
- Knowledge in Education, Youth & Training
- Prospective Initiatives

Jean Monnet Activities
- Academic Modules, Chairs & CoEs
- Policy Debate with Academics
- Support to Institutions & Associations

Sport
- Stakeholder dialogue, Policy & programme promotion
- Studies and Conferences
Higher Education Opportunities for HE Institutions with Partner Countries

- Credit mobility
- EM- Joint Master Degrees
- Capacity Building for Higher Education
- Jean Monnet activities
- Other opportunities: Strategic partnerships, Knowledge alliances, Youth cooperation
Credit Mobility with Partner Countries

- Extension of Erasmus model to international dimension/International opening of Erasmus
- Mobility at all levels - Bachelor, Master & Doctoral students – and for staff
- Short-term studies abroad that count to a degree back home – "no degree seeking"
- Managed by Erasmus+ National Agencies in Program Countries
- Individual higher education institutions (HEIs) set up bilateral inter-institutional agreement(s) (IIA)
- Agreement sets framework for sending and hosting students and staff
Credit Mobility with Partner Countries

- 3 – 12 months for students
- **Staff:** minimum 3 days – max. 60 days (excluding travel days). Teaching staff – *min. 8 hours of teaching/ week*
- Internship/ Traineeship
Credit Mobility – how to apply?

- Call for proposals comes usually by mid October with the deadline by the beginning of February each year
- Only Program-Country HEIs can apply to their National Agency to manage mobility agreements (in our case – DAAD)
- Partner-Country HEIs should strengthen their links with HEIs in Programme Countries to get involved
Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees (EMJD)

- Is the only program from Erasmus Mundus continues with the same name- Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters Courses
- Integrated international Master’s degree program (60 – 120 ECTS) delivered by an international consortium of HEI’s from Program & Partner Countries/ can last 12 – 18 – 24 months (60 – 90 – 120 ECTS)
- Not for development - must be ready to run at the application stage!
- EC aims to support 350 EMJDs during the E+ period
- Fully recognized in the countries participating - Program must lead to the awarding of joint diploma, double degree or multiple degree
EMJDs – How do they work?

- Funding for 3 consecutive intakes (4 - 5 years) + preparatory year, during which program is marketed;
- Funding includes 20,000 euros for preparatory year, 50,000 euros per intake for consortium management, 13 – 20 student scholarships and four invited scholars per intake -> JMD total grant will vary between 2 and 3 million EUR
  - Total costs of students scholarships
  - Annual flat-rate fee for management and guest academic costs
- Possible continuation funding for successful JMDs (JMD Catalogue): shared funding for up to 3 additional student intakes
- Minimum consortium: HEI’s from at least 3 different program countries (+ eventual HEI’s from partner country, if relevant)
EMJDs – How do they work?

- Consortium can include also associated partners, including enterprises, research institutes etc.
- JMD must include study periods in at least two of the consortium HEI’s; mandatory study abroad must contain studies leading to at least 30 ECTS
- **Relevance**: topics linked to identified needs in European / worldwide context; contribution to excellence & innovation; clear learning outcomes + relevant competences + employability
- Ensuring program sustainability is a clear strength!
## EMJDs scholarships

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| Contribution to travel costs        | € 2 000 per year if less than 4 000 km from JMD coordinator | € 1 000 per year |
|                                     | € 3 000 per year if more than 4 000 km from JMD coordinator |                     |

| Contribution to installation costs  | € 1 000                          |                     |

| Living allowance (max 24 months)   | € 1 000 per month                 | € 1 000 per month    |
EMJDs – How to apply

- Annual Calls for Proposals issued by EU
- Programme-Country institutions may submit a proposal on behalf of an international consortium
- Proposals assessed by experts on basis of relevance, quality of design, quality of team, impact and dissemination
- Apply direct to EACEA
Capacity Building for Higher Education (CBHE)

CBHE projects aim at achieving a long lasting impact on the Partner Countries HE institutions and systems through:

- Improving the modernisation and quality of HE and its relevance for the labor market and society;
- Improving the competences and skills in HEIs via innovative education programs;
- Enhancing the management, governance and innovation capacities, as well as the internationalisation of HEIs;
- Increasing capacities of National Authorities to modernise their higher education systems;
- Fostering regional integration+ cooperation between different regions of the world.
CBHE – What is New (2018)?

- The Special Mobility Strand (SMS) has been removed.
- There are three National and Regional priority areas instead of four and they have been revised.
- The minimum number of Programme Countries required in a consortium has been decreased from three countries to two.
- Future CBHE projects will be offered two options for the start of the eligibility period: 15 November 2018 or 15 January 2019.
- The grant rate for the highest travel band has been increased to €1500.
- Exceptional travel costs have been introduced.
CBHE – Types of Supported Projects

1. **Joint Projects**: New curricula, joint degrees, learning and teaching methodologies, staff development, quality assurance, governance, Bologna tools

2. **Structural Projects**: Reforms at national level with the support of the authorities in the Partner Countries (policy modernization, Bologna policies, governance and management of higher education systems...)

**Partner Countries**: Region 1: Western Balkans; Region 2: Eastern Partnership; Region 3: South-Mediterranean; Region 4: Russian Federation; Region 6: Asia; Region 7: Central Asia; Region 8: Latin America; Region 9: Iran, Iraq, Yemen; Region 10: South Africa; Region 11: African, Caribbean and Pacific

**Ineligible Partner countries**: Regions 5, 12 and 13
CBHE: How does it work?

- Projects of 2 or 3 years
- Projects run by consortium of institutions
- Consortium must include both Program & Partner Countries (Projects must include at least as many Partner Country HEIs as there are Programme Country HEIs).
- Project can be coordinated by a Program or a Partner Country HEI
# Consortium Structure

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At least as many Partner Country HEIs as Programme Country HEIs

Minimum three HEIs from the Partner Country taking part in the project - Only one country

**Structural Projects:**
Partner Country Ministries for HE must participate

**Attention:** Exception Russia, Latin America, Syria, Libya

Chile and Uruguay - as full partner - yes, but not as coordinator

A new cross-cutting priority on climate has been introduced
Budget and Duration – Overview

- **Duration**: 24 or 36 Months
- **Real Costs and Unit Costs**
  - Min. 500,000 - Max. 1,000,000 €
- **5 Budget Headings**
  - Staff costs, travel costs, costs of stay, equipment, and subcontracting (exceptional costs)
CBHE: How to Apply?

- Annual Calls for Proposals issued by EU around mid October with deadline 2\textsuperscript{nd} week of February
- Proposals assessed by experts on basis of relevance, quality of design, quality of team, impact and dissemination
- Applications may be from an institution in a Partner or Programme Country
- Apply direct to EACEA
Jean Monnet – in Brief

Focus on EU studies to promote excellence in teaching and research on the European integration process in various disciplines

Objectives:
- Equip students and young professionals with knowledge of EU subjects
- Stimulate teaching and research on the European Union
- Foster dialogue between the European Union and the world in higher education
Jean Monnet activities

Main activities:

- Teaching and research (Chairs, Modules & Centres of excellence)
- Policy debate with academic world and exchanges (networks and projects)
- Support to institutions or associations activities
- The creation of a Jean Monnet label
- Jean Monnet also provides operating grants to specified institutions
Jean Monnet – How to apply?

- Annual Calls for Proposals issued by EU
- Applications may be from an institution in any country of the world
- Only one applicant institution but informal involvement of partner institutions is possible (particularly for networks)
- Proposals assessed by experts on basis of relevance, quality of design, quality of team, impact and dissemination
- Apply direct to EACEA
Evaluation Criteria

Key Action 1, Key Action 3, Sport (Not-for-profit European sport events):
- relevance of the project,
- quality of the project design and implementation,
- impact and dissemination.

Key Action 2, Jean Monnet, Sport (Collaborative partnerships in the sport field):
- relevance of the project,
- quality of the project design and implementation,
- quality of the project team and the cooperation arrangements,
- impact and dissemination.
Application quality – A strong proposal is:

- **Coherent** (problems, solutions, target groups, activities, budget, ambitions/resources/competence)
- **Simple** (objectives, approach)
- **Evidence based** (needs analysis, state of art)
- **Clear** (identifying the need for such proposal, the solutions, and the outputs)
- **Rigorous in its planning** (which activities, when, for how long, and with what resources)
- **Explicit** (do not take for granted any information, if it is not in the application it cannot be taken into account)
- **Circumscribed** (a proposal is not about solving the world’s problems, but about solving a specific issue)