

EU Funding Opportunities

Special Focus on Erasmus+ Program of the EU

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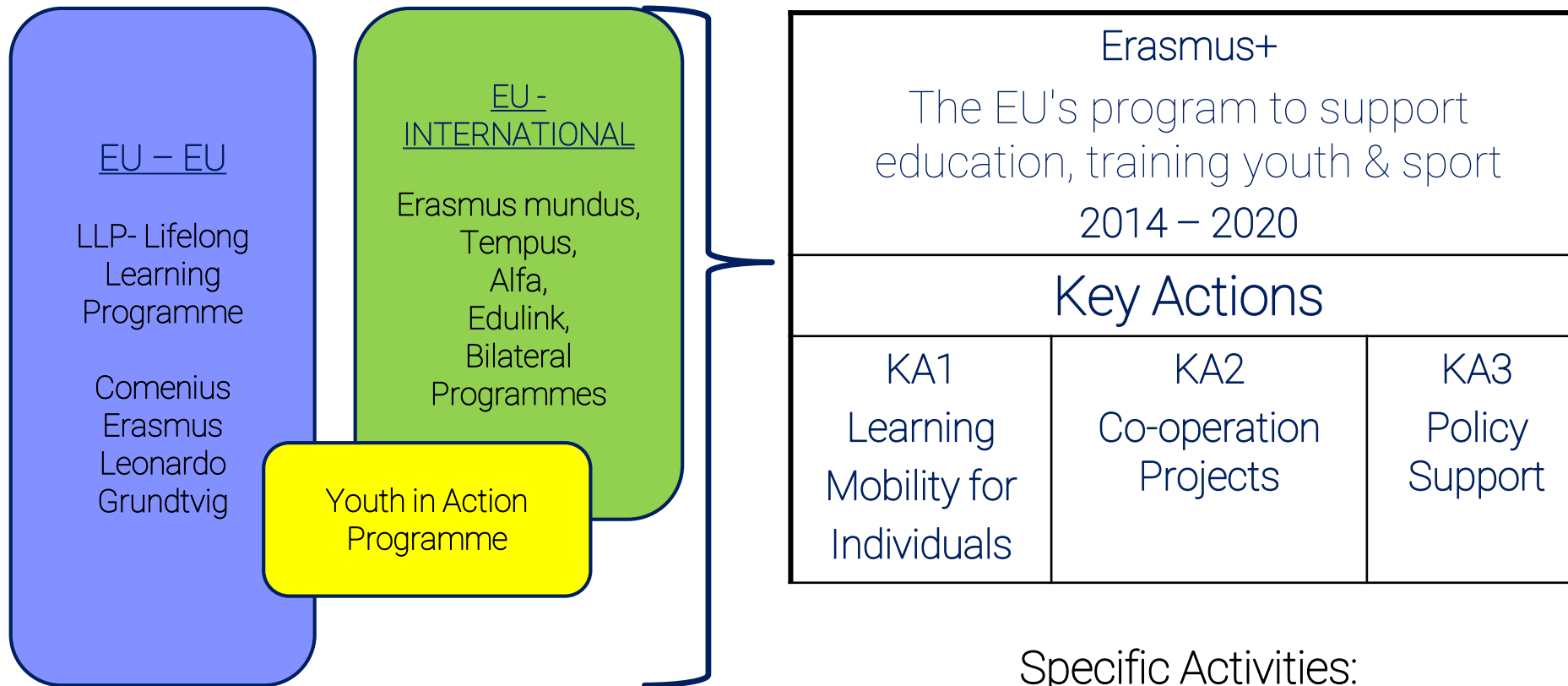


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A Single Integrated Program



◀ 2007 – 2013 ▶

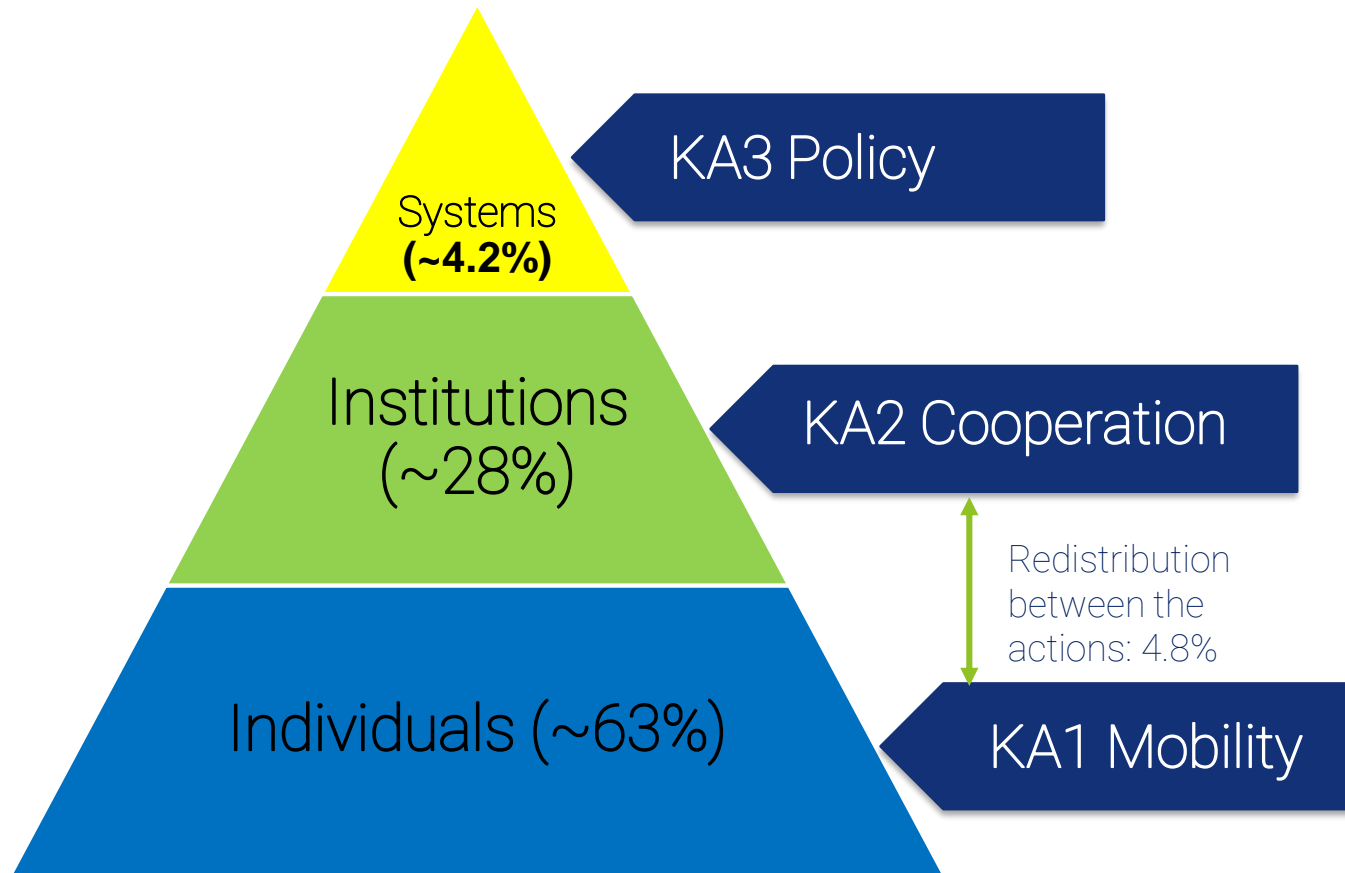
Specific Activities:

Jean Monnet

Sport



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International cooperation between Programme Countries & Partner Countries

Programme Countries (27+5=32)	Partner Countries (160)
<p data-bbox="466 544 1072 611">EU Member States:</p> <p data-bbox="157 639 1378 951">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</p> <p data-bbox="175 1001 1360 1076">Other programme countries (non-EU):</p> <p data-bbox="157 1096 1378 1210">Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey.</p>	<p data-bbox="1498 539 1977 668">All other countries throughout the world</p> <p data-bbox="1488 758 1984 886">- Divided in 13 regions ("Envelopes")</p>

Erasmus+

Strategic Partnerships, Innovations, Employability & Entrepreneurship

Key Action 1:
Mobility of
Individuals

Key Action 2:
Cooperation
for Innovation

Key Action 3:
Support for Policy
Reform

Jean Monnet
Activities

Sport

Mobility of Students &
Staff - KA 103 & 107

Joint Master Degrees

Master Student Loan

Strategic Partnership

Knowledge Alliances

Sector Skills Alliances

Capacity Building
Projects

Knowledge in Education,
Youth & Training

Prospective Initiatives

Support to EU Policy
Tools

Cooperation with Intl.
Organizations

Stakeholder dialogue,
Policy & programme
promotion

Academic Modules,
Chairs & CoEs

Policy Debate with
Academic World

Support to Institutions
& Associations

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

	Students from partner countries	Students from programme countries
Contribution to participation costs	Up to € 9 000 per year	Up to € 4 500 per year
Contribution to travel costs	€ 2 000 per year if less than 4 000 km from JMD coordinator € 3 000 per year if more than 4 000 km from JMD coordinator	€ 1 000 per year
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



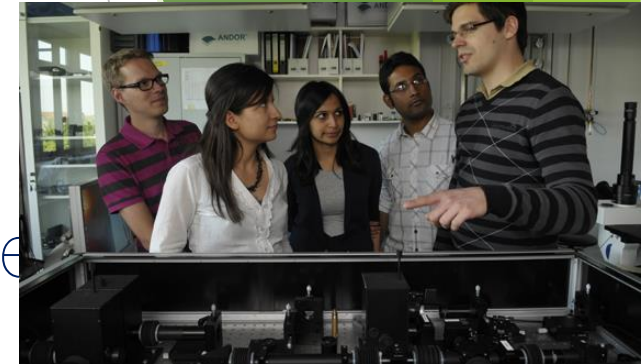
CBHE – What is New (2018)?

- 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

PROGRAMME COUNTRIES

Min. 2 Countries
min. 1 HEI each

PARTNER COUNTRIES

Min. 1 Country
min. 2 HEI /each

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

At least as many
Partner Country HEIs as Programme Country HEIs

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

Min. 500,000 -
Max. 1,000,000 €

Real Costs and Unit
Costs

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 2nd 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)