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“Higher Education Co-operation Activities within the framework of EU Erasmus+ Programme”



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Riga Technical University (LV)

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Riga Technical University – KA2 CBHE (1)

- Riga Technical University – the most successful LV Higher Education Institution in the Erasmus+ KA2 Capacity Building Higher Education (CBHE) projects:
 - 2 co-ordinated projects:
 - „Improvement of master-level education in the field of physical sciences in Belorussian universities” (2015)
 - „Establishing Smart Energy System Curriculum at Russian and Vietnamese Universities” (2017)

Riga Technical University – KA2 CBHE (2)

- **Partner institution in 7 projects:**
 - **„Applied curricula in space exploration and intelligent robotic systems” (2016)**
 - *„CApacity Building in Asia for Resilience EducaTion” (2016)*
 - *„Electrical Energy Markets and Engineering Education” (2017)*
 - *„Building capacity by implementing mhGAP mobile intervention in SADC countries” (2017)*
 - *„Usó de las TIC para la Gestión Integral de la Internacionalización en América Latina” (2017)*
 - *„Excellence in Engineering Education through Teacher Training and New Pedagogic Approaches in Russia and Tajikistan” (2017)*
 - *„SMARTCITY: Innovative Approach Towards a Master Program on Smart Cities Technologies” (2018)*

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**

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 – 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



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 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
- 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)

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Key Action 1:

Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees

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 + **4 intakes** (6 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

Key Action 2:

Capacity Building in Higher Education

in Partner Countries (CBHE)

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Capacity Building – 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
- **List of Partner Countries' priorities** published on the EACEA web-site together with the actual Call documentation

Capacity Building – Partner Countries

- Wide range of **Partner Countries** in this Activity:
 - Eastern Europe
 - Southern Mediterranean countries
 - Russian Federation
 - Western Balkans
 - Asia
 - Central Asia
 - Iran, Iraq, Yemen
 - South Africa
 - Latin America
 - *ACP (the African, Caribbean and Pacific) countries*



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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)
- ***N.B.** responsible branch (HE) ministry of the Partner Country has to be involved

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

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Jean Monnet (JM)

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 (**JM open to whole world**)

Jean Monnet - Actions

- [Erasmus+ - Jean Monnet - Chair](#)
- [Erasmus+ - Jean Monnet - Centres of Excellence](#)
- [Erasmus+ - Jean Monnet - Support to associations](#)
- [Erasmus+ - Jean Monnet - Modules](#)
- [Erasmus+ - Jean Monnet - Networks](#)
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Jean Monnet – detailed information

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

Erasmus+ Call's timing & documentation

- Usually the **annual Erasmus+ Call** is announced in **Autumn** (~October)
- Application **deadlines** – in **Spring of the next year** (~February)
- Detailed information in **Erasmus+ Programme Guide** (up-dated for each call):

http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/programme-guide_en

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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Baltic Info Days 2018

- **Erasmus+ Higher Education International Dimension Info Days'2018** will take place in **Riga (LV)** on **30-31/10/2018**
- The event is **jointly organised by 3 Erasmus+ Baltic National Agencies** – EE, LT, LV; it is the event of a regular tradition – every 2nd year we are meeting in one of the Baltic countries, and this time it is in Riga (LV) (*2016 – LT, 2014 – EE, 2012 – LV, ...*)

Erasmus (2021-2027)

- Proposal for a **REGULATION** establishing “Erasmus”: the Union programme for education, training, youth and sport
- Available on-line:

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=COM%3A2018%3A367%3AFIN>

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