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Erasmus for All

Higher Education

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Future: 2014-2020

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Strategy: Education and Training 2020

- Tertiary level attainment: ↗ 40% of 30-34 year olds HE graduates
- Early School leaving: ↘ 10% of 18-24 year olds not enrolled
- Employability: ↗ 82% of graduates (20-34 year old) being employed no more than 3 years after they have completed education

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Erasmus for All: starting points

- Show **EU added value** – show it is better to spend a € on the European level than at home!
- **Relevance**: link policy and programme – show systemic impact by putting our money at the service of our policies
- **Sustained impact** at different levels: individual, institutional, systemic/policy
- **Simplification**, rationalisation
- Solid basis but adaptation and **innovation**

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A streamlined architecture : 3 Key actions

Existing programmes

Lifelong Learning Programme

Grundtvig

Erasmus

Leonardo

Comenius

International higher education programmes: Erasmus Mundus, Tempus, Alfa, Edulink, Bilateral Programmes

Youth in Action Programme

A single integrated programme

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1. Learning Mobility

2. Co-operation projects

3. Policy Support

Specific activities:

- Jean Monnet
- Sport

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Budget share: 63%

KA1

Learning mobility of individuals - Higher Education-

Decentralised

1. **Credit mobility:** **International opening of Erasmus, more mobility of students and staff between EU – non EU in both directions**

2. **Degree mobility:** **Joint Master courses of excellent quality offered by consortium of EU/non EU universities to attract the very best students worldwide**

3. **Student loan guarantee:** **to boost degree mobility within Europe**

→ ➲ **Credit learning mobility of students (short cycles/Bachelor/Master/Doctorate) + HE staff mobility**

NEW: Erasmus open to the whole world in both directions for studies, traineeships, staff teaching and training

➲ For non-EU mobility: external policy priorities will apply

→ ➲ **Grants for Joint Master Courses**

Continuity: Erasmus Mundus Action 1

→ ➲ Master **Student Loan Guarantee**

NEW – 330 000 students

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New Charter for Higher Education:

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- **Objectives**
  - Simplification: One Erasmus Higher Education Charter with new/stronger provisions
  - Increase quality
  - Tutoring with a new structure: before, during, after mobility
  - NEW – ECHE Guidelines: tool for HEI self-assessment and NA monitoring
  - Reinforced monitoring of the Charter implementation

- **Call**

  Closure on 16 May: 4576 applications received

  Results publication: around 30 November 2013

Students and staff Mobility:

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- **Improving the Erasmus quality framework**
  - One Erasmus Charter for Higher Education with new/stronger provisions
  - Monitoring of the implementation of the Charter (Mobility Tool)
  - Reinforced inter-institutional agreements (new template to be published in June/July)
  - Reinforced learning agreements to ensure recognition
  - More flexible and cost efficient support for language preparation
  - Reduced paper work: scanned signatures / exchanges by emails

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Budget share: 25%

KA2
Cooperation for innovation
- Higher Education-

1. **Erasmus Strategic Partnerships: more intense cooperation between institutions.**

Decentralised

2. **Knowledge Alliances: structured partnerships between HEI and businesses**

3. **Specific support with neighbourhood countries: Capacity building through partnerships between EU and ENP universities with a mobility component.**

4. **Rest of the world: Capacity building between universities in the EU and Asia, Latin America & Africa.**

➲ **HE Strategic Partnerships**
Support HEIs in their Modernisation strategy

➲ **Knowledge Alliances**
University-business cooperation for more innovation

➲ **Support to Neighbourhood countries (ENP)**
Partnerships between HEIs from EU and ENP

Curriculum development, modernisation, modern teaching and learning, improve HEIs governance, stronger links with the world of work, ...

+ INTEGRATED MOBILITY of students and staff

➲ **Cooperation with Asia, Latin America and Africa**
Mobility limited to HEI staff to achieve projects' objectives

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Strategic Partnerships

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- **Sectoral and cross-sectoral structured cooperation** (education, training and youth + other relevant stakeholders) to implement **innovative practices** leading to **high quality teaching, training and learning and youth work, institutional modernisation** and **social innovation**

- **Activities ranging from small scale projects** (i.e. allowing access for newcomers) **to more ambitious, larger scale projects**

- Fully **decentralised management** to enable better consideration of the national context and achieve maximum impact

Strategic Partnerships in Higher Education

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Large flexibility, as long as activities are linked to the objectives of the Action and most appropriate to reach the specific objectives of the project.

Develop, test, adapt and implement innovative practices:

1. **Joint study programmes & joint curricula, IPs & common modules – including e-modules**
2. **Project-based trans-national collaboration between enterprises & students/staff at HEIs**
3. **Pedagogical approaches and methodologies, including through a better exploitation of ICTs –** especially aimed at delivering transversal competences, entrepreneurial mind-set and creative thinking
4. **Integration of a greater variety of study modes** (distance, part-time, modular learning), notably through new forms of learning and strategic use of ICT, open educational resources and virtual mobility
5. **Cooperation and exchange of practice between staff responsible for support services** (guidance counselling; coaching methods and tools; etc.) or those involved in student support services

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Budget share: 4%

KA3
Policy support
- Higher Education-

1. Support the OMC, Higher Education Modernisation Agenda, Bologna Process.
2. Support development and implementation of EU transparency tools and EU wide networks
3. Support Policy Dialogue with third countries

* TWG on modernisation of higher education
  peer learning
  - ➲ *Peer review*
  - ➲ *Policy experimentation*

* ECTS guide review
  - ➲ *ECTS labels*

* NARIC network cooperation
  - ➲ *Sustaining projects, EAR manual*

* Bologna process

* Ranking initiative, QA, Studies
  - ➲ *Large scale projects with partners*
    - governance, tracking, autonomy(ex-ECA)

* Policy dialogue with selected world partners

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Erasmus for All & Entrepreneurship

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Strategic partnerships

- strengthen cooperation between HE and the labour market
- real life projects
- blended mobility
- long term staff mobility

Knowledge Alliances

towards more innovation

- Traineeships for students in enterprises
- Inviting staff from enterprise to teach at HEIs
- Training of academic staff in enterprises

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Erasmus for All & Widening access

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- Better **linguistic preparation** of mobile participants
- More support to participants from **lower socio-economic background**, disadvantaged groups
- More **flexibility** to various needs
- New forms of mobility (**blended**: physical + virtual)
- Better use of **new technologies**

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2013/2014: transition to E4A

- **Objectives of the Mobility tool**
  - Replace the MS Access database tool
  - Follow-up/monitor the implementation of the programme in « real » time
  - Link quantative data (mobility reporting) and qualitative data (participants report)
  - Support to HEIs :
    - To assess their performance
    - To receive feedback from their outgoing & incoming students
    - Statistics
    - Together with the EACEA charter database, support NAs to monitor the implementation of the Charter at national, regional, local and institutional levels
  - Integrate financial management (E4ALink) and mobility management (Mobility Tool)

2013/2014:
transition to E4A

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Calendar of Mobility Tool implementation

- **« Test » release available to NAs:** Since 07/05/2013
- **Training to NAs:** 6 sessions of 2 days from 05/06 to 25/06
- **Documentation:** 01/06/2013
- **1st "Production" release:** 01/07/2013
  - 3 project types: HEI mobility, placement consortia, IPs
- **2nd "Production" release:** 01/10/2013
  - Participant reports and Erasmus Charter data for partners available
- **3rd "Production" release:** 16/12/2013
  - NA validation procedure and extra links with LLPLink available

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Comments ?

Questions ?