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**Capacity
Building in
Higher
Education**

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International dimension ?

Opportunities for International Cooperation in Higher Education

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1. Introduction and objectives

This call for proposals is based on the Regulation (EU) No 1288/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing 'Erasmus+': the Union Programme for education, training, youth and sport as well as on the 2014 Erasmus+ Annual Work Programme — International dimension of Higher Education (Heading 4) and 2015 Erasmus+ Annual Work Programme. The Erasmus+ Programme covers the period 2014 to 2020. The specific objectives of the Erasmus+ Programme are listed in Articles 5, 11 and 16 of the Regulation.

2. Actions

This call for proposals covers the following actions of the Erasmus+ Programme:

Key Action 1 (KA1) — Learning mobility of individuals

- Mobility of individuals in the field of education, training and youth
- Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees
- Large Scale European Voluntary Service Events

Key Action 2 (KA2) — Cooperation for innovation and the exchange of good practices

- Strategic partnerships in the field of education, training and youth
- Knowledge Alliances
- Sector Skills Alliances
- Capacity building in the field of higher education
- Capacity building in the field of youth

Key Action 3 (KA3) — Support for policy reform

- Structured Dialogue: Meetings between young people and decision-makers in the field of youth

Jean Monnet activities

- Jean Monnet Chairs
- Jean Monnet Modules
- Jean Monnet Centres of Excellence
- Jean Monnet Support to Institutions and Associations
- Jean Monnet Networks
- Jean Monnet Projects

Sport

- Collaborative partnerships in the sport field
- Not-for-profit European sport events

3. Eligibility



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Programme/Partner Countries

33 PROGRAMME COUNTRIES

Contribute financially to ERASMUS+

EU Member States +

Turkey, Iceland, Liechtenstein,

Norway, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

ELIGIBLE PARTNER COUNTRIES > 150



Targeted Beneficiaries

Priorities/challenges for partner countries



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Other Partner Countries



Budget Allocation 2015

Project budget
0.5-1 million €

Region	Indicative budget Million €
1 Western Balkans	12,67
2 Eastern Partnership countries	13,66
3 South-Mediterranean countries	(28,06+5 JO) 33,06
4 Russia [as recognised by international law]	6,72
6 Asia	33,46
7 Central Asia	8,68
8 Latin America	12,26
9 Gulf countries	1,85
10 South Africa	3,42
TOTAL	125,78

International dimension

Programme Countries & Partner Countries

Programme Countries	Partner Countries
<p>EU Member States: 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>Other Programme Countries: Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey.</p>	<p>Western Balkans (Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, Serbia) Eastern Partnership (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, Territory of Ukraine) Southern Mediterranean (Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine, Syria, Tunisia) Central Asia (Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan) Asia (Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, DPR Korea, India, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Vietnam) Latin America (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela) Russia, South Africa, Gulf Countries</p>



Types of Projects

Joint Projects:

=> Impact
Institutions

curriculum
development

university governance
& management

Links between HE
institutions and the
wider economic and
social environment

Structural Projects:

=> Impact
Systems

modernisation of policies,
governance and management of
higher education systems

Links between HE **systems** and
the wider economic and social
environment



Included mobility



*Western Balkans, South-Mediterranean and Eastern Partnership countries **ONLY***

Complementary for Joint and Structural projects



Additional (80%) to core budget (conditions as in credit mobility)



For whom?

Students in project consortia (3-12 months)

Staff in project consortia (5 days – 2 months)



***NO** Programme Country to Programme Country flows*



Who can participate

Applicants

- ✓ *State-recognised public or private Higher Education Institutions*
- ✓ *Associations/ Organizations of Higher Education Institutions*
- ✓ *Only **Structural Projects**: recognized national or international rector, teacher or student organisations*

Partners

- *State-recognised public or private Higher Education Institutions*
- *Any public or private organisation active in the labour market or in the fields of education, training and youth (enterprise, NGO etc.)*
- *Associations or organisations of HEIs with main focus on HE*
- *International governmental organisation (self-financing basis)*

Associated Partners: e.g. non-academic partners providing placement opportunities
All organisations/HEI must be located in a Programme or in a Partner country



Main Principles

PROGRAMME COUNTRIES

Min. 3 countries
min. 1 HEI each

PARTNER COUNTRIES

Min. 1 country
min. 2 HEIs /each

STRUCTURAL PROJECTS:
Partner Country Ministries for HE must participate

At least as many
Partner Country HEIs as
Programme Country HEIs



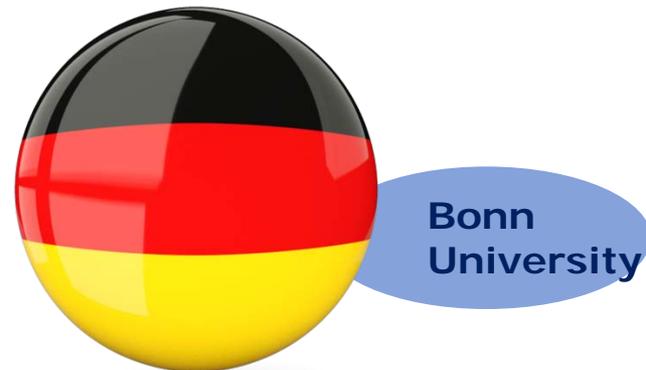
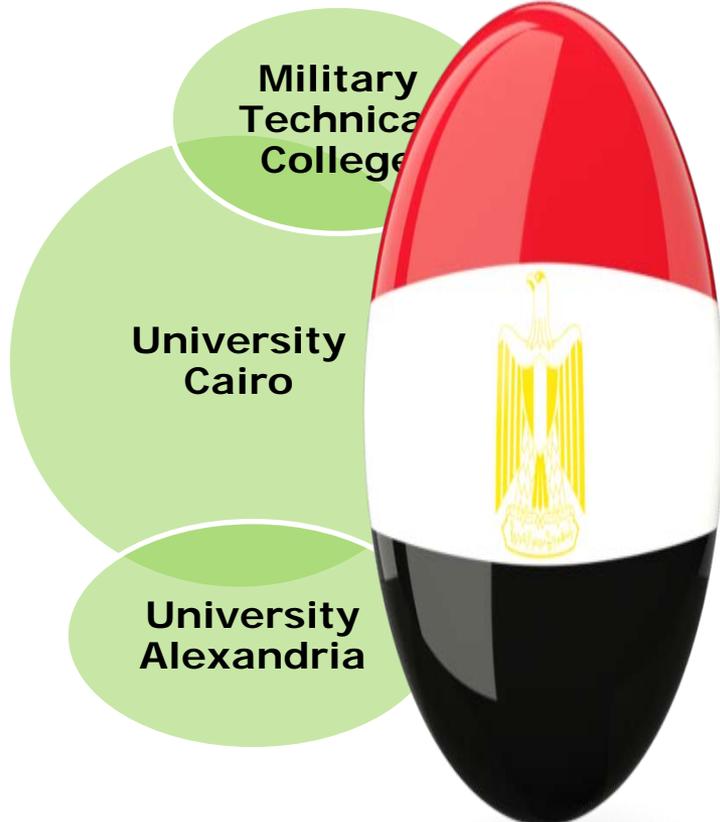
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Ex.1a : minimum consortia: national project (6 HE institutions)

Min. 1 Partner Country: at least as many HEIs as in the Programme Countries

Min. 3 Programme Countries
min. 1 HEI each





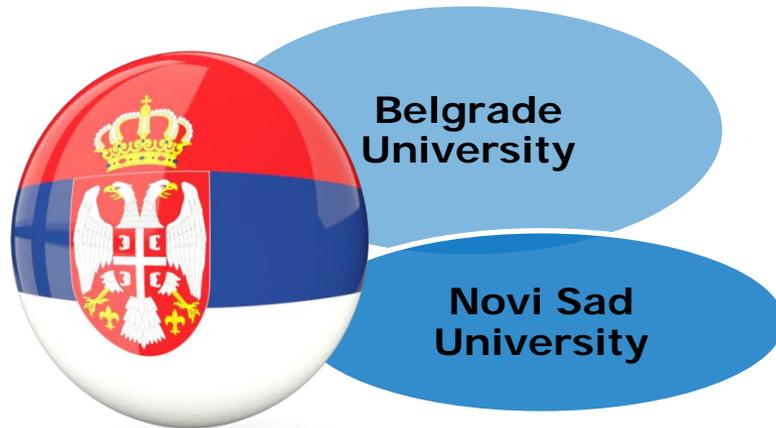
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Ex.2: minimum consortia: multi-country project (7 institutions)

Min. 2 Partner Countries

Min. 2 HEIs each



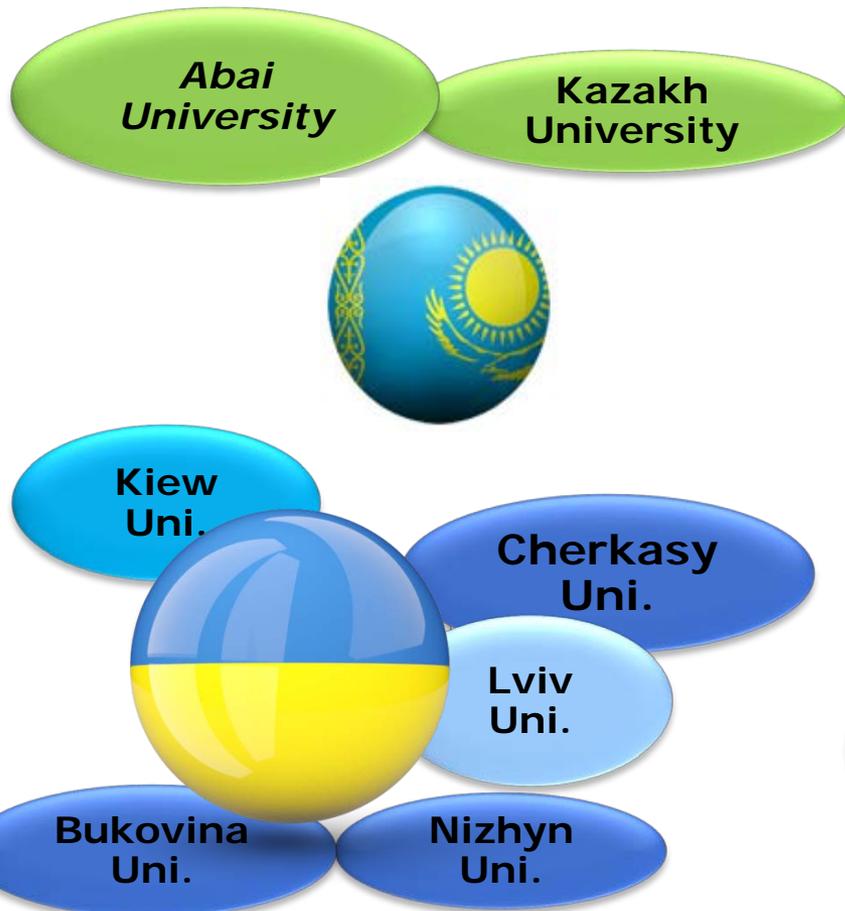


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Example 3: consortia composition (multi-country project)

2 partner countries



3 programme countries





Priorities

National Projects

Defined by the **Ministries of Education** in close consultation with the EU Delegations

Must address
National priorities set for Partner Country in Regions 1, 2, 3, 7, 10
Regional priorities for the regions where no national priorities are established: Regions 4, 6, 8, 9

Multi-Country Projects

Defined by the **Commission** and based on EU's external policy priorities

Must address
regional / national priority common to different regions (inter-regional or cross-regional projects)

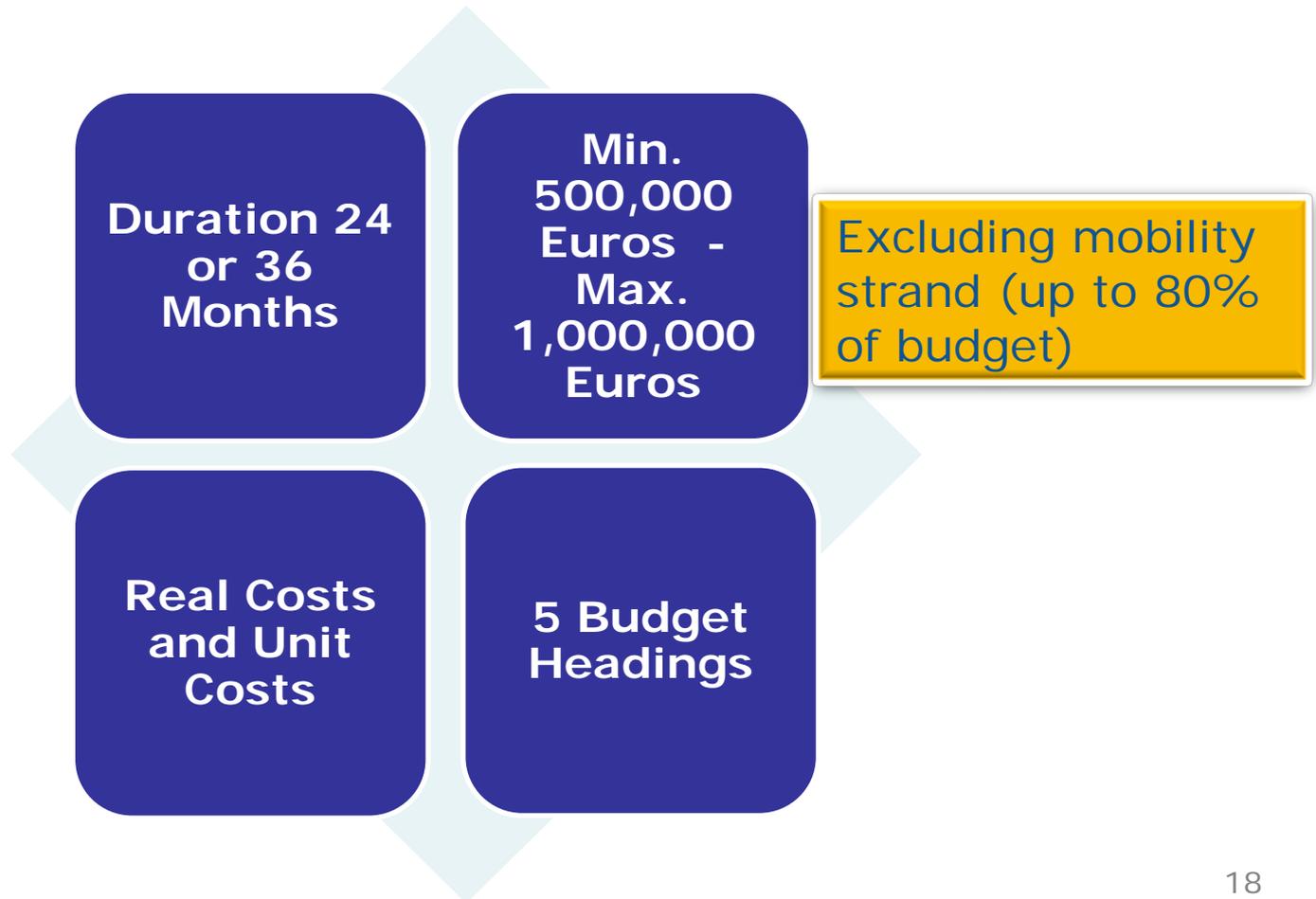


Priorities – Categories/Themes

Themes Categories	Curriculum Development	Governance and Management	Higher Education and Society
A. Subject Areas	X		
B. Improving quality of education and training	X	X	X
C. Improving Management and operation of HEIs		X	
D. Developing the HE sector within society at large			X



Project Budget and Duration





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How to calculate the budget -Methods

5 Budget Categories

Staff - UC

Travel - UC

Cost of Stay - UC

Equipment - RC

Sub-contracting - RC

2 Allocation / Justification Methods

Real Costs (RC)

Unit Costs (UC)

No need to demonstrate co-funding Other types of costs (ex.: dissemination, publishing, overheads costs, etc.) are expected to be covered by co-funding and cannot be included in the grant.



How to calculate the budget -Categories

Staff costs (max 40%)

4 Staff Categories : Manager, Researcher/ Teacher/Trainer, Technician, Administrator (Different scales Programme & Partner countries)

Travel costs

Students/staff from partners in project from their place of origin to the venue of the activity and return.

Costs of stay

Subsistence, accommodation, local and public transport, personal or optional health insurance.

Equipment (max 30%)

Purchased exclusively for the benefit of HEIs in the **Partner Countries**

Sub-contracting (max 10%)

Exceptional for services related to competences that can't be found within the consortia



Part II: How to calculate the budget - Travel/Cost of Stay

http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/tools/distance_en.htm

Example 1:

**Staff Trip: From Paris to Bxl
(308 KM)**

Duration 2 days

Real expense:

Travel Costs :120 €

Hotel + Subsistence Costs (250 €)

Total real expenses: 370 €

Calculation (unit-costs):

Travel Costs: 180 €

Costs of Stay: 2 x 120 € =240 €

Total unit-costs: 420 €

Example 2 :

**Staff Trip: From Paris to Berlin
(771 KM)**

Duration 2 days

Real expense:

Travel Costs :250 €

Hotel + Subsistence Costs (300 €)

Total real expenses: 550 €

Calculation (unit-costs):

Travel Costs: 275 €

Costs of Stay: 2 x 120 € =240 €

Total unit-costs: 515 €



eForm (PDF Adobe doc) (PIC)

- A. Identification of the applicant and other partners
- B. Description of the project (summary information)
- C. Specific information related to CBHE

Detailed project description (Word doc. Attached to eForm)

- D. Quality of the project team and the cooperation arrangements
- E. Project characteristics and relevance
- F. Quality of the project design and implementation
- G. Impact, dissemination and exploitation, sustainability; LFM; Workplan
- H. Work packages
- I. Special Mobility Strand (where applicable)
- J. Other EU Grants



Assessment - Award Criteria

Relevance
(30 points)

**Quality of
Design +
Implementation**
(30 points)

**Quality of
Team +
Cooperation
arrangements**
(20 points)

**Impact and
Sustainability**
(20 points)

To be considered for funding, proposals must score at least 60 points in total and at least 15 points for "Relevance"



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Local Support

International E+ Contact Points (ICPs) in Programme Countries

https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/contacts/international-erasmus-plus-contact-points_en

National Erasmus+ Offices (NEOs) in certain Partner Countries

https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/contacts/national-erasmus-plus-offices_en

Other useful links:

Erasmus+ website - EACEA

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus_en

Programme Guide Version 2 (2015): 23/10/2014

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

Relevant pages in the Programme Guide (which need to be consulted in the context of the Programme Guide in general): PP 146-165; PP 287-295

Erasmus+ website – EU Commission

http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/index_en.htm



Indicative roadmap for selection process

Steps	Date
Publication of the Call for Proposals	Oct. 2014
Deadline for submission of applications	10 February 2015
Expert assessment	March-April 2015
Consultation of local/regional stakeholders	May-June 2015
Award Decision	July 2015
Notification of applicants and Publication of results on EACEA web site	July-August 2015
Preparation and signature of grant agreements	August –September 2015
Start of Eligibility Period	15 October 2015



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Questions & Answers

