



European
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ERASMUS+ Programme

Jean Monnet Activities

Stimulating teaching and research on the European Union and foster dialogue between academics and decision-makers in the EU and around the world

The **Jean Monnet Actions** aim at **promoting excellence in teaching and research** in the **field of European Union studies worldwide**. These Actions also aim at **fostering the dialogue between the academic world and policy-makers**, in particular with the aim of enhancing governance of EU policies.

European Union studies **comprise the study of Europe in its entirety** with particular emphasis on the **European integration process** in both its **internal and external aspects**. The discipline also covers the role of the EU in a globalised world and in promoting an active European citizenship and dialogue between people and cultures.

Jean Monnet is expected to bring **positive and long-lasting effects to the participants** involved, to the **promoting organisations**, as well as **to the policy systems** within which they are framed.

As regards the participants directly or indirectly involved in the Actions, Jean Monnet aims to produce the **following outcomes**:

- **enhanced employability and improved career prospects for young graduates**, by including or reinforcing a European dimension in their studies;
- increased **interest in understanding and participating in the European Union**, leading to a more active citizenship;
- **support for young researchers** (i.e. who have obtained a PhD degree in the last five years) **and professors** who want to carry out research and teaching on EU subjects;
- **increased opportunities for academic staff** in terms of professional and career development.

Jean Monnet is expected in the long run to **encourage the promotion and diversification of EU studies worldwide** as well as to enhance and extend the participation of staff from more faculties and departments in European Union teaching and research.

Which Actions are supported?

1. Teaching and research activities:

- A **Jean Monnet Module** is a short teaching programme in the field of European Union Studies at a higher education institute. Each Module has a minimum duration of 40

teaching hours per academic year. Modules may concentrate on one particular discipline in European studies or be multidisciplinary in approach.

- A **Jean Monnet Chair** is a teaching post with a specialisation in European Union Studies for university professors or senior lecturers. The position is held by only one professor, who must provide the minimum of 90 teaching hours per academic year.

- A **Centre of Excellence** is a focal point of competence and knowledge on European Union subjects. The academic responsibility of a Centre must be assumed by a Jean Monnet Chair holder.

2. Support to institutions and associations

- **Jean Monnet activities offer support to institutions** that enhance teacher and training activities on European Union subjects at the postgraduate level and/or other relevant stakeholders. It also fosters activities aimed at elaborating, analysing and popularizing European Union subjects and their teaching.

- **Jean Monnet activities offer support to associations** that have as their explicit purpose to contribute to the study of the European integration process. They are interdisciplinary and open to all interested professors, teacher and researchers specialising in European Union issues in the relevant country or region.

3. Policy debate with the academic world

- **Jean Monnet Networks** foster the creation and development of consortia of international players (HEIs, Centres of Excellence, departments, teams, individual experts, etc.) in the area of European Union studies. They contribute to gathering information, exchanging practices, building knowledge and promoting the European integration process across the world. This Action can also support the enhancement of existing networks supporting specific activities, notably fostering the participation of young researchers in EU-related themes.

- **Jean Monnet Projects** support innovation, cross-fertilisation and the spread of European Union content. These projects are based on unilateral proposals, focused on activities that cannot be achieved successfully at a national level and require the involvement of a minimum of five partner institutions from five different countries.

Who can apply?

Higher education institutions, organisations and associations around the world are eligible to apply for Jean Monnet activities. HEIs established in Programme Countries must hold a valid Erasmus Charter for Higher Education (ECHE). An ECHE is not required for participating HEIs in Partner Countries.

Detailed information on the criteria and funding rules applying to the different Jean Monnet Activities: Erasmus+ Programme Guide and 2015 Call for proposals: http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/discover/guide/index_en.htm

How to apply?

Organisations are invited to submit applications on-line to the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency in Brussels: http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/funding_en

The necessary documents, templates, and forms for the 2015 call are currently being prepared.

Deadline for the next call for proposals?

26/02/2015

Interested in existing Jean Monnet Projects in your country?

Jean Monnet online Project Directory:

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/llp/jean_monnet/jean_monnet_en.p

